

Health Policy in the Era of Healthcare Reform

Congressman Steven Rothman

Prostate Net is located in the beautiful town of Seacaucus, New Jersey, which is in my district, and is dedicated to educating men, particularly African American men who are affected disproportionately, about prostate cancer. It provides access to screening and supports those who have been diagnosed with the disease.

The work that will be talked about today is some of the most important work in the field of prostate cancer, and one thing is certain—if the research isn't done, the cure will not be found. Prostate cancer is the most frequently diagnosed cancer among all men, and it is the second leading cause of cancer death. In 2009 alone, there were 192,280 new cases of prostate cancer diagnosed, and it claimed the lives of 27,360 men.

As a member of the House Appropriations Committee, I will continue to fight for increased funding for cancer research, awareness, prevention and treatment.