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Mobile County Health Department offering free prostate cancer screenings

The Mobile County Health Department is offering free prostate cancer screenings through Oct. 1 to men 40 to 75 years old who have no health insurance or who are underinsured. The screenings are available by appointment at the following locations:

- Adult Clinic, 251 N. Bayou St.
- Calcedaever Clinic, 1080 AA reservation Rd.
- Citronelle Clinic, 19250 N. Mobile St.
- School-Based Clinic, (Mobile County Training Middle School), 800 Whitley St.
- Semmes Clinic (La Clínica de Semmes), 3810 Wulff Rd. E.

In emphasizing the importance of getting screened for prostate cancer, Dr. Bernard Eichold, Health Officer, points out that, although it is the No. 2 cause of cancer death in men, it is one of the most treatable if caught in the early stages.

“In fact, the 10-year survival rate for prostate cancer is 93 percent if it is detected and treated early,” he says.

Eichold also says that, in the United States, prostate cancer occurs almost 70 percent more often in African-American men than it does in Caucasian men; and African-American men are twice as likely to die of prostate cancer as Caucasian men are.

To schedule an appointment for a free screening, call 690-8889. For more information, call 690-8957.

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