PATIENT PREFERENCES in Cancer Screening & Early Detection

These findings are a culmination of a 2022 literature review, key opinion leader interviews, a patient organization roundtable, and a focus group of people with lived experience of cancer.

- **Accuracy**: Patients overwhelmingly prefer screening modalities with high sensitivity and specificity and expressed concern over false positives.

- **Administered by PCP**: Patients prefer that their cancer screenings be recommended and administered by their primary care physician (PCP).

- **Causes Minimal Harm**: When given a choice, patients prefer less harmful and minimally invasive screening modalities over those that require invasive techniques.

- **Minimal Discomfort & Prep**: Patients prefer screening modalities with minimal complications, discomfort or pain, and side effects as well as modest prep.

- **Convenience**: Patients prefer screening modalities that are performed by their PCP in their office, rather than a hospital or specialty setting, and prefer to be screened close to home.

- **Open to New Technology**: Patients are open to new forms of technology that may improve the sensitivity of results or return results faster.

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