COPD in the United States: How is Your State Doing?

Georgia has higher than average COPD prevalence, death, hospitalization and overall smoking rates and a lower than average readmission rate. It has lower than average influenza and pneumonia vaccination rates for people with COPD.

6.9% of adults have been diagnosed with COPD (prevalence)

548,000 adults have been diagnosed with COPD (incidence)

45.1 people out of every 100,000 die per year

$890 million is the annual cost for treatment

Higher Proportions of Women than Men have COPD

49.0% have had the flu shot

62.7% have had the pneumonia shot

9,958 Medicare hospitalizations

$2,890 per Medicare beneficiary with COPD

22.7% 30-day COPD readmission rate

Individuals in Georgia with incomes less than $15,000 are 4.1x more likely to have COPD than those with incomes greater than $50,000.

Asthma, cardiovascular disease, depression and diabetes all have high prevalence rates in the COPD population, making earlier diagnosis, education and optimal treatment even more important.

Change starts with empowering individuals, families and the healthcare community to prevent the disease, diagnose it early and treat it appropriately. Find out more and get involved at www.copdfoundation.org.