West Virginia has a higher burden of COPD indicating there is significant room for improvement.

West Virginia has very high COPD prevalence, death, hospitalization, readmission and overall smoking rates. It has lower than average influenza and pneumonia vaccination rates for people with COPD.

12.0% of adults have been diagnosed with COPD (prevalence)²

196,400 adults have been diagnosed with COPD (incidence)²

62.5 people out of every 100,000 die per year³

$249 million is the annual cost for treatment⁴

Higher Proportions of Women than Men have COPD²

13.1% have had the flu shot

58.6%

67.0% have had the pneumonia shot

3,861 Medicare hospitalizations⁵

$3,250 per Medicare beneficiary with COPD⁴

24.4% 30-day COPD readmission rate⁶

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.²

Individuals in West Virginia with incomes less than $15,000 are 4.9x more likely to have COPD than those with incomes greater than $50,000⁷

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.

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