

Hungary

Prostate Cancer Screening Facts



Life expectancy



73.6
years¹

Incidence



4,800
annually²

Prostate Cancer*



19.40%

*Share of new cancer diagnoses that are prostate cancer

Health Care System

The Insurance Fund Management (NEAK) is under the direct control of the Ministry of Interior since 2022 and provides healthcare coverage for nearly all residents.

Reimbursement PSA



Yes

Main Testing Location



Urologist
/GP

National Cancer Plan



Yes

What’s happening in practice?

PSA testing can be done by GPs. Men are referred to urologists based on urological symptoms or PSA result. Screening consists of a PSA test, an urological ultrasound, and a DRE which is performed by a urologist.³

There is currently no national screening programme for prostate cancer. However, Semmelweis Universities Urology Department regularly offers free screening tests for Hungarian citizens.⁴

National Clinical Guidelines

Government
From the age of 50 onwards, screening is recommended annually or every two years, but in the case of family accumulation, screening is recommended from the age of 45.

Urologist
The Hungarian Society of Urologists recommends that all men over the age of 50 undergo urological examinations.

GP
Main rules for GPs for PSA testing: Only for men between 45 and 75 years old, once a year, if over 3ng/ml, the GP directs the men to a urologist.

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