WEBVTT 00:00:00.240 --> 00:00:02.000 Funding for Yale Cancer Answers

NOTE Confidence: 0.9448172

00:00:02.000 --> 00:00:03.760 is provided by Smilow Cancer

NOTE Confidence: 0.9448172

00:00:03.760 --> 00:00:04.260 Hospital.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9384007

00:00:06.160 --> 00:00:08.160 Welcome to Yale Cancer Answers

NOTE Confidence: 0.9384007

00:00:08.160 --> 00:00:09.619 with doctor Eric Winer.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9979843

00:00:10.065 --> 00:00:12.325 Yale Cancer Answers features conversations

NOTE Confidence: 0.9979843

00:00:12.465 --> 00:00:14.545 with oncologists and specialists who

NOTE Confidence: 0.9979843

00:00:14.545 --> 00:00:15.504 are on the forefront of

NOTE Confidence: 0.9979843

00:00:15.504 --> 00:00:16.884 the battle to fight cancer.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9776029

00:00:17.460 --> 00:00:18.820 This week, it's a conversation

NOTE Confidence: 0.9776029

00:00:18.820 --> 00:00:20.739 about disparities in cancer care

NOTE Confidence: 0.9776029

00:00:20.739 --> 00:00:22.279 with doctor Tracy Battaglia.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9517731

00:00:22.980 --> 00:00:25.140 Doctor Battaglia is associate cancer

NOTE Confidence: 0.9517731

00:00:25.140 --> 00:00:26.995 center director for cancer care

NOTE Confidence: 0.9517731

00:00:26.995 --> 00:00:28.855 equity at Yale Cancer Center.

NOTE Confidence: 0.8989455

00:00:29.155 --> 00:00:30.375 Here's doctor Winer.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9941404

00:00:31.395 --> 00:00:33.075 It's really a pleasure to

NOTE Confidence: 0.9941404

00:00:33.075 --> 00:00:34.375 be here with you tonight.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9941404

00:00:34.579 --> 00:00:35.620 And over the course of

NOTE Confidence: 0.9941404

00:00:35.620 --> 00:00:36.600 the weeks ahead,

NOTE Confidence: 0.99276125

00:00:37.140 --> 00:00:38.739 you'll hear me interview a

NOTE Confidence: 0.99276125

00:00:38.739 --> 00:00:41.159 variety of different guests covering

NOTE Confidence: 0.99927306

00:00:41.755 --> 00:00:43.295 a whole range of topics

NOTE Confidence: 0.99927306

00:00:43.595 --> 00:00:45.935 related to cancer, cancer research,

NOTE Confidence: 0.99927306

00:00:46.235 --> 00:00:47.215 and cancer treatment.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9954092

00:00:48.395 --> 00:00:49.935 Tonight, we have

NOTE Confidence: 0.8316717

00:00:50.350 --> 00:00:51.649 doctor Tracy Battaglia.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9983164

00:00:52.590 --> 00:00:53.090 Tracy, welcome

NOTE Confidence: 0.982605

00:00:54.030 --> 00:00:55.789 It's really a pleasure to have you.

NOTE Confidence: 0.982605

00:00:57.309 --> 00:00:58.430 Thank you so much. It's

NOTE Confidence: 0.982605

00:00:58.430 --> 00:00:59.730 my pleasure to be here.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9959533

00:01:00.195 --> 00:01:01.475 So first, could you just

NOTE Confidence: 0.9959533

00:01:01.475 --> 00:01:02.435 tell us a little bit

NOTE Confidence: 0.9959533

00:01:02.435 --> 00:01:04.215 about yourself and

NOTE Confidence: 0.9981626

00:01:04.995 --> 00:01:06.215 your career

NOTE Confidence: 0.9938263

00:01:07.155 --> 00:01:08.135 over the past

NOTE Confidence: 0.9925232

00:01:08.460 --> 00:01:10.080 twenty or twenty five years?

NOTE Confidence: 0.9965174

00:01:10.700 --> 00:01:11.200 Absolutely.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9796389

00:01:16.375 --> 00:01:17.494 As you mentioned, I'm a

NOTE Confidence: 0.9796389

00:01:17.494 --> 00:01:19.275 primary care physician by training

NOTE Confidence: 0.9796389

00:01:19.494 --> 00:01:21.194 and health services researcher.

NOTE Confidence: 0.99720347

00:01:22.534 --> 00:01:23.920 And like all of us,

NOTE Confidence: 0.999326

00:01:24.479 --> 00:01:25.700 my own lived experience

NOTE Confidence: 0.999499

00:01:26.000 --> 00:01:27.600 has really shaped the choices

NOTE Confidence: 0.999499

00:01:27.600 --> 00:01:29.220 of my academic career.

NOTE Confidence: 0.95611626

00:01:30.080 --> 00:01:31.040 And so as you are

NOTE Confidence: 0.95611626

00:01:31.040 --> 00:01:31.860 well aware,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9333791

00:01:33.194 --> 00:01:33.935 I started

NOTE Confidence: 0.97230595

00:01:34.715 --> 00:01:35.935 my medical career

NOTE Confidence: 0.9807461

00:01:36.795 --> 00:01:38.235 with an interest in health

NOTE Confidence: 0.9807461

00:01:38.235 --> 00:01:39.755 behavior and was a

NOTE Confidence: 0.9807461

00:01:39.755 --> 00:01:41.615 psychology major as an undergraduate.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9631584

00:01:42.380 --> 00:01:43.340 And during that

NOTE Confidence: 0.99855304

00:01:44.459 --> 00:01:45.659 early part of my medical

NOTE Confidence: 0.99855304

00:01:45.659 --> 00:01:46.860 training, I had my own

NOTE Confidence: 0.99855304

00:01:46.860 --> 00:01:48.159 experience with cancer

NOTE Confidence: 0.9236498

00:01:49.020 --> 00:01:50.299 as a survivor of stage

NOTE Confidence: 0.9236498

00:01:50.299 --> 00:01:51.600 four Hodgkin's lymphoma.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9856245

00:01:52.525 --> 00:01:53.745 And it was that experience

NOTE Confidence: 0.9856245

00:01:53.805 --> 00:01:55.665 that really sort of motivated

00:01:57.725 --> 00:01:59.565 me to be interested in oncology as

NOTE Confidence: 0.9987007

00:01:59.565 --> 00:02:00.225 a field.

NOTE Confidence: 0.97909874

00:02:00.650 --> 00:02:02.430 But I also realized that

NOTE Confidence: 0.97909874

00:02:02.570 --> 00:02:04.090 my interest in oncology and

NOTE Confidence: 0.97909874

00:02:04.090 --> 00:02:05.610 cancer was really more sort

NOTE Confidence: 0.97909874

00:02:05.610 --> 00:02:06.810 of in the early stages

NOTE Confidence: 0.97909874

00:02:06.810 --> 00:02:07.550 of prevention

NOTE Confidence: 0.76073

00:02:08.410 --> 00:02:08.810 and

NOTE Confidence: 0.99080575

00:02:10.325 --> 00:02:12.245 early detection. And so I

NOTE Confidence: 0.99080575

00:02:12.245 --> 00:02:13.705 pursued a career in

NOTE Confidence: 0.8888599

00:02:14.405 --> 00:02:16.645 general medicine, primary care with

NOTE Confidence: 0.8888599

00:02:16.645 --> 00:02:18.005 an early focus in women's

NOTE Confidence: 0.8888599

00:02:18.005 --> 00:02:18.505 health,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9709491

00:02:20.370 --> 00:02:22.230 and breast cancer prevention.

00:02:25.250 --> 00:02:26.290 Early in my training, I

NOTE Confidence: 0.9652019

00:02:26.290 --> 00:02:26.790 recognized

NOTE Confidence: 0.98087287

00:02:27.090 --> 00:02:28.544 that my care experience was

NOTE Confidence: 0.98087287

00:02:28.544 --> 00:02:29.905 very different than the patients

NOTE Confidence: 0.98087287

00:02:29.905 --> 00:02:31.185 that I was caring for.

NOTE Confidence: 0.98087287

00:02:31.185 --> 00:02:32.305 And so that was what

NOTE Confidence: 0.98087287

00:02:32.305 --> 00:02:33.905 really sort of influenced me

NOTE Confidence: 0.98087287

00:02:33.905 --> 00:02:36.065 to pursue an academic career,

NOTE Confidence: 0.98087287

00:02:36.065 --> 00:02:37.044 really understanding

NOTE Confidence: 0.9953828

00:02:37.980 --> 00:02:38.720 care delivery

NOTE Confidence: 0.9441988

00:02:39.100 --> 00:02:41.180 and just differences in

NOTE Confidence: 0.9441988

00:02:41.180 --> 00:02:43.100 care delivery between different people

NOTE Confidence: 0.9441988

00:02:43.100 --> 00:02:43.840 and populations.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9807994

00:02:44.780 --> 00:02:46.220 And so very early in

NOTE Confidence: 0.9807994

00:02:46.220 --> 00:02:47.525 my career, I focused on

NOTE Confidence: 0.9807994

00:02:47.525 --> 00:02:50.085 cancer disparities and was very

00:02:51.125 --> 00:02:51.625 driven to try to make my NOTE Confidence: 0.9399783

00:02:54.085 --> 00:02:55.385 own patients' experiences

NOTE Confidence: 0.87497425

00:02:55.845 --> 00:02:57.350 as positive as my own

NOTE Confidence: 0.87497425

00:02:57.510 --> 00:02:58.330 experiences were.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9790595

00:02:59.110 --> 00:03:00.070 And so that's really how

NOTE Confidence: 0.9790595

00:03:00.070 --> 00:03:01.190 I started in the field

NOTE Confidence: 0.9790595

00:03:01.190 --> 00:03:03.510 of cancer disparities and care

NOTE Confidence: 0.9790595

00:03:03.510 --> 00:03:04.010 delivery.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9987507

00:03:04.945 --> 00:03:06.145 Well, I know there's been

NOTE Confidence: 0.9987507

00:03:06.145 --> 00:03:07.525 much more to your career

NOTE Confidence: 0.9888499

00:03:08.385 --> 00:03:09.745 beyond that start and we'll get to that.

00:03:11.345 --> 00:03:13.389 But maybe we can start by

NOTE Confidence: 0.9888499

00:03:13.630 --> 00:03:14.130 talking

NOTE Confidence: 0.99922794

00:03:14.590 --> 00:03:16.530 a bit about what cancer

NOTE Confidence: 0.99922794

00:03:16.590 --> 00:03:17.090 disparities

NOTE Confidence: 0.9913137

00:03:17.389 --> 00:03:17.889 are.

NOTE Confidence: 0.96144027

00:03:19.310 --> 00:03:21.169 It is known, of course that there are

00:03:24.095 --> 00:03:26.194 differences in outcomes for people

NOTE Confidence: 0.86587775

00:03:26.495 --> 00:03:27.235 by race.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9907274

00:03:27.775 --> 00:03:29.375 And that, for example, if

NOTE Confidence: 0.9907274

00:03:29.375 --> 00:03:30.735 you are a twenty year old

NOTE Confidence: 0.994237

00:03:31.535 --> 00:03:33.280 Black woman in the United

NOTE Confidence: 0.994237

00:03:33.280 --> 00:03:33.780 States,

NOTE Confidence: 0.99349064

00:03:34.480 --> 00:03:35.840 you have twice the chance

NOTE Confidence: 0.99349064

00:03:35.840 --> 00:03:37.200 of dying from breast cancer

NOTE Confidence: 0.99349064

00:03:37.200 --> 00:03:38.400 by the time you're fifty

NOTE Confidence: 0.99349064

00:03:38.400 --> 00:03:39.520 compared to a twenty year

NOTE Confidence: 0.99349064

00:03:39.520 --> 00:03:40.739 old white woman.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9719012

00:03:42.575 --> 00:03:43.615 But maybe the

NOTE Confidence: 0.9719012

00:03:43.615 --> 00:03:45.695 most prominent example of a

NOTE Confidence: 0.9719012

00:03:45.695 --> 00:03:46.195 disparity,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9952366

00:03:46.815 --> 00:03:48.015 and we can talk about

NOTE Confidence: 0.9952366

00:03:48.015 --> 00:03:49.315 why that exists,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9811746

00:03:49.980 --> 00:03:51.740 but there are many, many

NOTE Confidence: 0.9811746

00:03:51.740 --> 00:03:53.980 other disparities as well. And

NOTE Confidence: 0.9811746

00:03:53.980 --> 00:03:55.180 we know that in our

NOTE Confidence: 0.9811746

00:03:55.180 --> 00:03:56.240 country with

NOTE Confidence: 0.98824763

00:03:56.620 --> 00:03:58.480 sometimes great medical care,

NOTE Confidence: 0.99375635

00:03:58.805 --> 00:03:59.865 there are also instances

NOTE Confidence: 0.9846655

00:04:00.165 --> 00:04:01.845 where there just isn't great

NOTE Confidence: 0.9846655

00:04:01.845 --> 00:04:02.825 medical care.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9974219

00:04:03.205 --> 00:04:04.725 So can you comment on

NOTE Confidence: 0.9974219

00:04:06.710 --> 00:04:08.410 the various ways that disparities

NOTE Confidence: 0.9935182

00:04:08.630 --> 00:04:09.130 occur?

00:04:12.550 --> 00:04:13.590 I want to just sort of take

NOTE Confidence: 0.9246552

00:04:13.590 --> 00:04:14.955 a moment to reflect on

NOTE Confidence: 0.9246552

00:04:14.955 --> 00:04:16.235 the statistic that you just

NOTE Confidence: 0.9246552

00:04:16.235 --> 00:04:17.915 shared about young Black women.

00:04:19.435 --> 00:04:20.475 I just want to point

NOTE Confidence: 0.9840992

00:04:20.475 --> 00:04:21.755 out that I've been doing

NOTE Confidence: 0.9840992

00:04:21.755 --> 00:04:23.035 this work for twenty five

NOTE Confidence: 0.9840992

00:04:23.035 --> 00:04:23.535 years

NOTE Confidence: 0.9923588

00:04:24.160 --> 00:04:25.940 and that statistic hasn't changed

NOTE Confidence: 0.91922003

00:04:27.360 --> 00:04:28.320 in the twenty five years

NOTE Confidence: 0.91922003

00:04:28.320 --> 00:04:29.279 that I've been doing this work.

00:04:30.960 --> 00:04:32.005 I think that we should

NOTE Confidence: 0.965323

00:04:32.005 --> 00:04:33.445 really reflect on that and

NOTE Confidence: 0.965323

00:04:33.445 --> 00:04:34.645 sort of think about that

NOTE Confidence: 0.965323

00:04:34.645 --> 00:04:35.945 as we have this conversation.

NOTE Confidence: 0.965323

00:04:36.165 --> 00:04:36.665 Because

NOTE Confidence: 0.99124384

00:04:37.445 --> 00:04:39.125 even though we have an

NOTE Confidence: 0.99124384

00:04:39.125 --> 00:04:40.419 increased recognition

NOTE Confidence: 0.9574096

00:04:40.880 --> 00:04:42.400 of disparities, which are these

NOTE Confidence: 0.9574096

00:04:42.400 --> 00:04:44.020 sort of differences in outcomes by

NOTE Confidence: 0.9574096

00:04:46.479 --> 00:04:47.940 different groups and populations,

NOTE Confidence: 0.99615204

00:04:48.845 --> 00:04:50.285 we haven't made a whole

NOTE Confidence: 0.99615204

00:04:50.285 --> 00:04:51.745 lot of progress in

NOTE Confidence: 0.90621394

00:04:52.125 --> 00:04:53.665 reducing those differences.

NOTE Confidence: 0.97475886

00:04:53.965 --> 00:04:54.705 And so,

NOTE Confidence: 0.90729755

00:04:56.779 --> 00:04:58.140 now maybe we should just

NOTE Confidence: 0.90729755

00:04:58.140 --> 00:04:59.500 talk about what health

NOTE Confidence: 0.90729755

00:04:59.500 --> 00:05:01.020 equity means.

NOTE Confidence: 0.90729755

00:05:01.020 --> 00:05:02.060 Can I just interrupt for one

NOTE Confidence: 0.90729755

00:05:02.060 --> 00:05:03.360 second and ask,

NOTE Confidence: 0.99595374

00:05:04.485 --> 00:05:06.025 isn't it the case also

NOTE Confidence: 0.99595374

00:05:06.085 --> 00:05:08.265 that as cancer care gets

NOTE Confidence: 0.9990226

00:05:08.725 --> 00:05:09.545 more expensive,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9983078

00:05:10.085 --> 00:05:11.065 more complicated,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9972847

00:05:12.725 --> 00:05:14.910 and very often more effective

NOTE Confidence: 0.91916597

00:05:15.450 --> 00:05:17.630 that those disparities could increase?

NOTE Confidence: 0.95683974

00:05:17.930 --> 00:05:19.210 Yes. Thank you for pointing

NOTE Confidence: 0.95683974

00:05:19.210 --> 00:05:20.089 that out because I think

NOTE Confidence: 0.95683974

00:05:20.089 --> 00:05:21.505 it helps answer the first

NOTE Confidence: 0.95683974

00:05:21.585 --> 00:05:23.105 question you posed,

NOTE Confidence: 0.95683974

00:05:23.105 --> 00:05:24.305 which is, what

NOTE Confidence: 0.95683974

00:05:24.305 --> 00:05:25.925 are other examples of

NOTE Confidence: 0.9853997

00:05:26.545 --> 00:05:28.404 cancer disparities and inequities?

NOTE Confidence: 0.9898377

00:05:28.945 --> 00:05:29.745 I mean, I think it's

NOTE Confidence: 0.9898377

00:05:29.745 --> 00:05:30.964 this notion that

00:05:34.020 --> 00:05:35.880 as care becomes more complex

NOTE Confidence: 0.7306459

00:05:36.339 --> 00:05:36.839 and

NOTE Confidence: 0.9839827

00:05:37.779 --> 00:05:39.300 really frankly, sort

NOTE Confidence: 0.9839827

00:05:39.300 --> 00:05:41.074 of tailored to the individual

NOTE Confidence: 0.9839827

00:05:41.134 --> 00:05:42.514 person and the individual

NOTE Confidence: 0.9269134

00:05:42.815 --> 00:05:44.275 cancer type and tumor,

NOTE Confidence: 0.97007775

00:05:44.735 --> 00:05:46.175 as we learn and understand

NOTE Confidence: 0.97007775

00:05:46.175 --> 00:05:47.455 more that cancer

NOTE Confidence: 0.97007775

00:05:47.455 --> 00:05:48.815 is not one disease,

NOTE Confidence: 0.97007775

00:05:48.815 --> 00:05:50.880 it's many, many, many different

NOTE Confidence: 0.97007775

00:05:50.880 --> 00:05:51.940 types of diseases,

NOTE Confidence: 0.824183

00:05:53.440 --> 00:05:54.980 that complexity makes

NOTE Confidence: 0.9072405

00:05:55.680 --> 00:05:58.020 disparities and inequities

NOTE Confidence: 0.9863878

00:05:59.574 --> 00:06:01.255 more likely. And that is

NOTE Confidence: 0.9863878

00:06:01.255 --> 00:06:01.755 because,

NOTE Confidence: 0.93430465

00:06:02.214 --> 00:06:04.074 a major root cause of

NOTE Confidence: 0.93430465

00:06:04.294 --> 00:06:06.535 cancer disparities and

NOTE Confidence: 0.93430465

00:06:06.535 --> 00:06:07.035 inequity

NOTE Confidence: 0.995306

00:06:08.210 --> 00:06:09.970 is this lack of equal

NOTE Confidence: 0.995306

00:06:09.970 --> 00:06:10.470 access.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9515255

00:06:11.490 --> 00:06:12.449 And so that goes back

NOTE Confidence: 0.9515255

00:06:12.449 --> 00:06:13.570 to the definition of what

NOTE Confidence: 0.9515255

00:06:13.570 --> 00:06:15.009 health equity is and health

NOTE Confidence: 0.9515255

00:06:15.009 --> 00:06:16.985 equity is actually when

NOTE Confidence: 0.9515255

00:06:16.985 --> 00:06:17.724 we all

NOTE Confidence: 0.99161565

00:06:18.104 --> 00:06:19.464 have an equal opportunity to

NOTE Confidence: 0.99161565

00:06:19.464 --> 00:06:20.745 be as healthy as possible.

NOTE Confidence: 0.99161565

00:06:20.745 --> 00:06:22.025 So when we're talking about

NOTE Confidence: 0.99161565

00:06:22.025 --> 00:06:23.324 cancer, specifically,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9912373

00:06:24.120 --> 00:06:25.560 equity is when everyone has

NOTE Confidence: 0.9912373

00:06:25.560 --> 00:06:27.240 an equal opportunity to prevent

NOTE Confidence: 0.9912373

00:06:27.240 --> 00:06:27.740 cancer,

NOTE Confidence: 0.98552066

00:06:28.440 --> 00:06:29.339 find it early

NOTE Confidence: 0.9670206

00:06:29.880 --> 00:06:31.160 and get proper treatment and

NOTE Confidence: 0.9670206

00:06:31.160 --> 00:06:33.020 follow-up after treatment is completed.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9670206

00:06:33.080 --> 00:06:33.819 And so

NOTE Confidence: 0.96793324

00:06:34.505 --> 00:06:36.445 with advances in cancer prevention

NOTE Confidence: 0.96793324

00:06:36.665 --> 00:06:37.165 options,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9882696

00:06:37.945 --> 00:06:39.325 early detection options,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9829961

00:06:40.425 --> 00:06:40.925 treatments,

NOTE Confidence: 0.97721213

00:06:41.930 --> 00:06:43.529 and even access to

NOTE Confidence: 0.97721213

00:06:43.529 --> 00:06:44.810 cutting edge treatments through

NOTE Confidence: 0.97721213

00:06:44.810 --> 00:06:45.790 clinical trials,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9844955

00:06:46.570 --> 00:06:47.770 we have to have equal

NOTE Confidence: 0.9844955

00:06:47.770 --> 00:06:48.810 access to all of those

NOTE Confidence: 0.9844955

00:06:48.810 --> 00:06:50.464 things for equity to be

NOTE Confidence: 0.9844955

00:06:50.464 --> 00:06:52.064 accomplished. And the truth is

NOTE Confidence: 0.9844955

00:06:52.064 --> 00:06:53.185 the way that our health

NOTE Confidence: 0.9844955

00:06:53.185 --> 00:06:55.044 system is set up,

NOTE Confidence: 0.99408025

00:06:56.224 --> 00:06:57.664 we don't have equal access.

NOTE Confidence: 0.99408025

00:06:57.664 --> 00:06:58.784 So we have to make

NOTE Confidence: 0.99408025

00:06:58.784 --> 00:07:00.960 a conscious effort to

NOTE Confidence: 0.94888633

00:07:02.140 --> 00:07:03.339 think about how to change

NOTE Confidence: 0.94888633

00:07:03.339 --> 00:07:05.180 that, our healthcare delivery system

NOTE Confidence: 0.94888633

00:07:05.180 --> 00:07:06.860 to ensure everyone has equal

NOTE Confidence: 0.94888633

00:07:06.860 --> 00:07:07.839 access. And that's

NOTE Confidence: 0.9986648

00:07:08.495 --> 00:07:09.795 a very tall order.

00:07:12.975 --> 00:07:15.215 Who else other than people of color

00:07:20.450 --> 00:07:22.550 face disparities in cancer care?

NOTE Confidence: 0.9857138

00:07:25.645 --> 00:07:26.685 So I think you have

NOTE Confidence: 0.9857138

00:07:26.685 --> 00:07:27.505 to think about

NOTE Confidence: 0.8334285

00:07:31.005 --> 00:07:31.985 different populations

NOTE Confidence: 0.99223644

00:07:32.445 --> 00:07:34.740 and sort of identities. So,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9680118

00:07:35.680 --> 00:07:37.380 populations that are at risk

NOTE Confidence: 0.9680118

00:07:37.600 --> 00:07:39.360 are those populations that have

NOTE Confidence: 0.9680118

00:07:39.360 --> 00:07:39.860 historically

NOTE Confidence: 0.95001143

00:07:40.685 --> 00:07:42.705 been marginalized for some reason,

00:07:44.845 --> 00:07:46.465 root causes of structural,

NOTE Confidence: 0.978898

00:07:47.405 --> 00:07:49.085 sometimes race, but it's

NOTE Confidence: 0.978898

00:07:49.085 --> 00:07:50.065 also by

NOTE Confidence: 0.9575204

00:07:50.669 --> 00:07:53.169 language and income and

NOTE Confidence: 0.9575204

00:07:53.229 --> 00:07:54.210 gender identity.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9633609

00:07:55.710 --> 00:07:57.475 Where you live matters, if

NOTE Confidence: 0.9633609

00:07:57.555 --> 00:07:59.235 you're rural versus in an

NOTE Confidence: 0.9633609

00:07:59.235 --> 00:08:00.935 urban setting. And so

NOTE Confidence: 0.9881463

00:08:01.235 --> 00:08:02.215 we see disparities and

NOTE Confidence: 0.8539783

00:08:02.515 --> 00:08:03.495 inequities

NOTE Confidence: 0.9699656

00:08:03.795 --> 00:08:05.335 when we look at populations

NOTE Confidence: 0.9659505

00:08:06.349 --> 00:08:07.650 through all of those lenses,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9659505

00:08:07.789 --> 00:08:08.770 whether it be

NOTE Confidence: 0.95634925

00:08:09.229 --> 00:08:11.250 white, nonwhite race,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9763834

00:08:13.229 --> 00:08:14.129 or ethnicity,

NOTE Confidence: 0.98153037

00:08:15.615 --> 00:08:17.875 coming from low income background,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9952759

00:08:18.735 --> 00:08:20.175 not having health insurance or

NOTE Confidence: 0.9952759

00:08:20.175 --> 00:08:21.635 having public health insurance,

NOTE Confidence: 0.95515627

00:08:22.130 --> 00:08:23.650 not speaking English as your

NOTE Confidence: 0.95515627

00:08:23.650 --> 00:08:24.470 primary language,

NOTE Confidence: 0.88462543

00:08:26.290 --> 00:08:27.430 you know, unhoused

NOTE Confidence: 0.9172964

00:08:27.890 --> 00:08:28.390 populations,

NOTE Confidence: 0.7446028

00:08:28.850 --> 00:08:29.676 people who have

NOTE Confidence: 0.7446028

00:08:29.676 --> 00:08:29.743 housing insecurity are more at

NOTE Confidence: 0.7446028

00:08:29.743 --> 00:08:29.810 risk. All the populations that

NOTE Confidence: 0.7446028

00:08:29.810 --> 00:08:30.390 we know,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9106747

00:08:31.035 --> 00:08:32.575 security are more at risk.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9921031

00:08:33.275 --> 00:08:34.715 All the populations that we

NOTE Confidence: 0.9921031

00:08:34.715 --> 00:08:35.215 know,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9930997

00:08:37.915 --> 00:08:40.335 don't have access to social

NOTE Confidence: 0.9804825

00:08:40.690 --> 00:08:41.190 support.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9636132

00:08:42.450 --> 00:08:43.590 It sounds to me like

NOTE Confidence: 0.9865156

00:08:44.530 --> 00:08:46.050 probably half of the US

NOTE Confidence: 0.9865156

00:08:46.050 --> 00:08:47.510 population is at risk.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9469204

00:08:48.365 --> 00:08:50.144 Well, you know, it's true.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9469204

00:08:50.204 --> 00:08:52.384 Every population and every community

NOTE Confidence: 0.9469204

00:08:52.524 --> 00:08:53.024 has

NOTE Confidence: 0.9985677

00:08:54.820 --> 00:08:56.120 people who are at risk.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9985677

00:08:56.179 --> 00:08:57.300 And so it really depends

NOTE Confidence: 0.9985677

00:08:57.300 --> 00:08:58.420 on where you live. And part of

00:08:59.700 --> 00:09:00.740 the work that I have

NOTE Confidence: 0.9985677

00:09:00.740 --> 00:09:01.559 always done

NOTE Confidence: 0.9923388

00:09:02.434 --> 00:09:03.554 is sort of taking this

NOTE Confidence: 0.9923388

00:09:03.554 --> 00:09:04.695 health equity lens

NOTE Confidence: 0.9298893

00:09:05.394 --> 00:09:06.834 which really is

NOTE Confidence: 0.9298893

00:09:10.130 --> 00:09:12.370 just asking critical questions around not

NOTE Confidence: 0.9767348

00:09:12.370 --> 00:09:13.889 who is getting care, but

NOTE Confidence: 0.9767348

00:09:13.889 --> 00:09:15.730 who isn't getting care. And

NOTE Confidence: 0.9767348

00:09:15.730 --> 00:09:17.190 that may look very different

NOTE Confidence: 0.999431

00:09:17.795 --> 00:09:18.995 depending on what community or

NOTE Confidence: 0.999431

00:09:18.995 --> 00:09:20.375 health system that you're in.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9648609

00:09:20.755 --> 00:09:22.275 So for example,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9648609

00:09:22.275 --> 00:09:23.975 twenty five years in Boston,

NOTE Confidence: 0.93599635

00:09:24.990 --> 00:09:26.590 the populations that I worked

NOTE Confidence: 0.93599635

00:09:26.590 --> 00:09:27.790 with in Boston and the

NOTE Confidence: 0.93599635

00:09:27.790 --> 00:09:29.070 health systems that I worked

NOTE Confidence: 0.93599635

00:09:29.070 --> 00:09:31.070 in in Boston, the social

NOTE Confidence: 0.93599635

00:09:31.070 --> 00:09:32.210 systems and the

NOTE Confidence: 0.9911518

00:09:32.635 --> 00:09:34.235 public systems in terms of

NOTE Confidence: 0.9911518

00:09:34.235 --> 00:09:35.855 insurance and

NOTE Confidence: 0.9499502

00:09:36.235 --> 00:09:37.295 Medicaid expansion,

NOTE Confidence: 0.99643594

00:09:38.235 --> 00:09:39.515 the populations at risk were

NOTE Confidence: 0.99643594

00:09:39.515 --> 00:09:40.475 different than they are here

NOTE Confidence: 0.99643594

00:09:40.475 --> 00:09:42.150 in Connecticut. And

NOTE Confidence: 0.99643594

00:09:42.150 --> 00:09:43.210 I've been here

NOTE Confidence: 0.95961994

00:09:43.910 --> 00:09:45.190 a few months now and

NOTE Confidence: 0.95961994

00:09:45.190 --> 00:09:46.490 I'm starting to understand

NOTE Confidence: 0.9456083

00:09:46.790 --> 00:09:47.770 the health system,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9949614

00:09:48.444 --> 00:09:49.665 which is very complex.

NOTE Confidence: 0.953185

00:09:50.204 --> 00:09:51.964 I'm starting to understand sort

NOTE Confidence: 0.953185

00:09:51.964 --> 00:09:53.644 of the state

NOTE Confidence: 0.953185

00:09:53.644 --> 00:09:55.004 and the social systems.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9829458

00:09:56.480 --> 00:09:57.760 And the populations are a

NOTE Confidence: 0.9829458

00:09:57.760 --> 00:09:59.200 little bit different. And so

NOTE Confidence: 0.9829458

00:09:59.200 --> 00:10:00.240 the approaches need to be

NOTE Confidence: 0.9829458

00:10:00.240 --> 00:10:01.920 tailored and different to address

NOTE Confidence: 0.9829458

00:10:01.920 --> 00:10:03.120 those inequities. And so I think

00:10:04.205 --> 00:10:05.885 cancer equity really starts with

NOTE Confidence: 0.9894889

00:10:05.885 --> 00:10:07.885 asking the question of who

NOTE Confidence: 0.9894889

00:10:07.885 --> 00:10:09.245 is getting care and who

NOTE Confidence: 0.9894889

00:10:09.245 --> 00:10:10.365 is not. And that really

NOTE Confidence: 0.9894889

00:10:10.365 --> 00:10:11.325 gets at the root cause

NOTE Confidence: 0.9894889

00:10:11.325 --> 00:10:11.985 of inequity.

NOTE Confidence: 0.98637205

00:10:12.890 --> 00:10:13.850 And it sounds to me

NOTE Confidence: 0.98637205

00:10:13.850 --> 00:10:14.730 like there are just so many

NOTE Confidence: 0.98637205

00:10:15.690 --> 00:10:17.530 reasons for it.

NOTE Confidence: 0.92548424

00:10:17.530 --> 00:10:18.030 For example,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9991619

00:10:19.504 --> 00:10:21.504 for somebody who may not

NOTE Confidence: 0.9991619

00:10:21.504 --> 00:10:23.204 have a lot of financial

NOTE Confidence: 0.9991619

00:10:23.264 --> 00:10:25.365 resources and is the

NOTE Confidence: 0.99585295

00:10:25.985 --> 00:10:27.845 single mother of three children,

NOTE Confidence: 0.99369586

00:10:28.559 --> 00:10:29.860 that woman is going to,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9929042

00:10:30.640 --> 00:10:31.920 in most cases, be more

NOTE Confidence: 0.9929042

00:10:31.920 --> 00:10:33.280 concerned about getting food on

NOTE Confidence: 0.9929042

00:10:33.280 --> 00:10:34.640 the table for her three

NOTE Confidence: 0.9929042

00:10:34.640 --> 00:10:35.140 kids,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9991013

00:10:36.245 --> 00:10:38.404 and less concerned about figuring

NOTE Confidence: 0.9991013

00:10:38.404 --> 00:10:39.865 out how to pay for

NOTE Confidence: 0.9965963

00:10:40.325 --> 00:10:41.765 the transportation to get to

NOTE Confidence: 0.9965963

00:10:41.765 --> 00:10:43.445 a doctor's appointment to get

NOTE Confidence: 0.9965963

00:10:43.445 --> 00:10:44.665 her cancer treatment.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9394347

00:10:45.670 --> 00:10:46.710 And yet on the other

NOTE Confidence: 0.9394347

00:10:46.710 --> 00:10:48.150 hand, there may be problems

NOTE Confidence: 0.9394347

00:10:50.550 --> 00:10:52.070 on the medical side

NOTE Confidence: 0.9981081

00:10:52.070 --> 00:10:53.929 of the equation as well where

00:10:55.415 --> 00:10:57.515 certain patient populations just don't

NOTE Confidence: 0.9854547

00:10:58.135 --> 00:10:59.735 get the same attention

NOTE Confidence: 0.9854547

00:10:59.735 --> 00:11:00.714 that others do.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9108113

00:11:02.054 --> 00:11:03.095 Yeah. I think all those

NOTE Confidence: 0.9108113

00:11:03.095 --> 00:11:04.075 things are true.

00:11:06.990 --> 00:11:08.510 Often when I talk about cancer

NOTE Confidence: 0.9422282

00:11:08.510 --> 00:11:09.650 equity I share

NOTE Confidence: 0.8938868

00:11:10.830 --> 00:11:11.890 two case studies

NOTE Confidence: 0.9702115

00:11:12.355 --> 00:11:13.635 at the hospital that I

NOTE Confidence: 0.9702115

00:11:13.635 --> 00:11:15.334 worked at Boston medical center.

00:11:20.029 --> 00:11:21.950 One of a middle aged white woman in

NOTE Confidence: 0.9861064

00:11:21.950 --> 00:11:22.929 her late forties,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9683145

00:11:23.870 --> 00:11:26.050 who is a professional physician

NOTE Confidence: 0.94268864

00:11:26.590 --> 00:11:28.050 who felt a breast lump

NOTE Confidence: 0.9976937

00:11:28.675 --> 00:11:29.715 and got in and had her

00:11:30.755 --> 00:11:31.255 mammogram

NOTE Confidence: 0.96726674

00:11:31.555 --> 00:11:33.235 and biopsy within twenty four

NOTE Confidence: 0.96726674

00:11:33.235 --> 00:11:34.515 hours and was diagnosed with

NOTE Confidence: 0.96726674

00:11:34.515 --> 00:11:35.735 a stage one cancer.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9973955

00:11:36.515 --> 00:11:37.735 And the other patient

NOTE Confidence: 0.9587639

00:11:38.360 --> 00:11:40.200 was a younger forty two

NOTE Confidence: 0.9587639

00:11:40.200 --> 00:11:42.540 year old woman, Haitian immigrant,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9587639

00:11:42.600 --> 00:11:44.280 non English speaking, on public

NOTE Confidence: 0.9587639

00:11:44.280 --> 00:11:45.800 health insurance. In fact, was

NOTE Confidence: 0.9587639

00:11:45.800 --> 00:11:47.345 uninsured at the time because

NOTE Confidence: 0.97997874

00:11:47.824 --> 00:11:49.024 she had lost her insurance

NOTE Confidence: 0.97997874

00:11:49.024 --> 00:11:50.225 after she had her last child.

NOTE Confidence: 0.97173595

00:11:52.064 --> 00:11:52.564 Suffered from

NOTE Confidence: 0.9737223

00:11:54.440 --> 00:11:56.440 housing insecurity after a fire

NOTE Confidence: 0.9737223

00:11:56.440 --> 00:11:57.480 in her home and was

NOTE Confidence: 0.9737223

00:11:57.480 --> 00:11:58.620 living in a shelter,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9644678

00:11:59.320 --> 00:12:00.300 felt a mass

NOTE Confidence: 0.96009064

00:12:00.839 --> 00:12:02.440 months ago, but

NOTE Confidence: 0.96009064

00:12:02.440 --> 00:12:04.220 frankly that wasn't the most

NOTE Confidence: 0.96009064

00:12:04.425 --> 00:12:05.785 pressing issue in her life.

NOTE Confidence: 0.96009064

00:12:05.785 --> 00:12:07.064 So she put off getting

NOTE Confidence: 0.96009064

00:12:07.064 --> 00:12:07.564 care

NOTE Confidence: 0.97613496

00:12:07.944 --> 00:12:09.144 and it wasn't until ten

NOTE Confidence: 0.97613496

00:12:09.144 --> 00:12:10.524 months later that she was diagnosed

NOTE Confidence: 0.97613496

00:12:10.665 --> 00:12:11.804 with a ten centimeter

NOTE Confidence: 0.9471729

00:12:12.264 --> 00:12:13.485 stage three cancer.

NOTE Confidence: 0.99885255

00:12:13.990 --> 00:12:15.529 That was at my institution

NOTE Confidence: 0.9858897

00:12:16.470 --> 00:12:18.230 where I was seeking care.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9858897

00:12:18.230 --> 00:12:19.350 In fact, that first patient

NOTE Confidence: 0.9858897

00:12:19.350 --> 00:12:20.089 was me.

NOTE Confidence: 0.982826

00:12:20.709 --> 00:12:22.230 So I'm providing

NOTE Confidence: 0.982826

00:12:22.230 --> 00:12:23.290 care to a population.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9888817

00:12:24.215 --> 00:12:25.895 And despite having access to a

NOTE Confidence: 0.9888817

00:12:25.895 --> 00:12:27.355 large academic

NOTE Confidence: 0.9888817

00:12:27.415 --> 00:12:29.095 medical center with

NOTE Confidence: 0.9888817

00:12:29.095 --> 00:12:31.015 Medicaid expansion and

NOTE Confidence: 0.9888817

00:12:32.380 --> 00:12:34.400 medical insurance coverage, patients

NOTE Confidence: 0.9588975

00:12:35.420 --> 00:12:36.880 have a lot of barriers

NOTE Confidence: 0.9588975

00:12:37.100 --> 00:12:39.100 getting them into care because

NOTE Confidence: 0.9588975

00:12:39.100 --> 00:12:40.300 cancer, frankly, is not the

NOTE Confidence: 0.9588975

00:12:40.300 --> 00:12:41.340 worst thing that they're dealing

NOTE Confidence: 0.9588975

00:12:41.340 --> 00:12:42.605 with in their life. They're

NOTE Confidence: 0.9588975

00:12:42.605 --> 00:12:44.145 dealing with their three kids,

NOTE Confidence: 0.99246264

00:12:45.485 --> 00:12:46.605 getting food on the table

NOTE Confidence: 0.99246264

00:12:46.605 --> 00:12:47.645 and making sure they have

NOTE Confidence: 0.99246264

00:12:47.645 --> 00:12:48.385 safe housing.

NOTE Confidence: 0.98148423

00:12:49.940 --> 00:12:51.059 And so it's those sort

NOTE Confidence: 0.98148423

00:12:51.059 --> 00:12:52.179 of root causes we need

NOTE Confidence: 0.98148423

00:12:52.179 --> 00:12:53.300 to be thinking about as

NOTE Confidence: 0.98148423

00:12:53.300 --> 00:12:54.820 we design our care delivery

NOTE Confidence: 0.98148423

00:12:54.820 --> 00:12:56.660 systems and have these amazing

NOTE Confidence: 0.98148423

00:12:56.660 --> 00:12:58.040 new scientific discoveries,

NOTE Confidence: 0.97355586

00:12:59.745 --> 00:13:01.025 that, you know, are

NOTE Confidence: 0.97355586

00:13:01.025 --> 00:13:02.705 helping people live longer, but

NOTE Confidence: 0.97355586

00:13:02.705 --> 00:13:04.785 we're not letting everyone access

NOTE Confidence: 0.97355586

00:13:04.785 --> 00:13:05.525 them equally.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9794863

00:13:06.545 --> 00:13:08.070 And it's

NOTE Confidence: 0.9794863

00:13:08.070 --> 00:13:09.350 not always just about our

NOTE Confidence: 0.9794863

00:13:09.350 --> 00:13:11.110 healthcare system. It's really

NOTE Confidence: 0.9794863

00:13:11.110 --> 00:13:12.709 about our

NOTE Confidence: 0.9794863

00:13:12.709 --> 00:13:14.170 social system. And

NOTE Confidence: 0.960728

00:13:14.630 --> 00:13:15.610 I think that

NOTE Confidence: 0.99781275

00:13:16.045 --> 00:13:17.885 the future of cancer equity

NOTE Confidence: 0.99781275

00:13:17.885 --> 00:13:19.665 really has to lie in

NOTE Confidence: 0.97191364

00:13:20.205 --> 00:13:22.285 an intersection between social care

NOTE Confidence: 0.97191364

00:13:22.285 --> 00:13:23.025 and healthcare.

NOTE Confidence: 0.99694437

00:13:23.959 --> 00:13:24.839 And I think there's a

NOTE Confidence: 0.99694437

00:13:24.839 --> 00:13:26.360 movement towards that, but there's

NOTE Confidence: 0.99694437

00:13:26.360 --> 00:13:27.000 a lot of work that

NOTE Confidence: 0.99694437

00:13:27.000 --> 00:13:28.279 we need to continue to

NOTE Confidence: 0.99694437

00:13:28.279 --> 00:13:30.059 do to really realize that.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9825525

00:13:30.600 --> 00:13:31.740 Well, we're going to take

NOTE Confidence: 0.9825525

00:13:31.880 --> 00:13:33.080 just a brief break at

NOTE Confidence: 0.9825525

00:13:33.080 --> 00:13:34.635 the moment and we'll be

NOTE Confidence: 0.9825525

00:13:34.635 --> 00:13:37.215 back with doctor Tracy Battaglia

NOTE Confidence: 0.99933565

00:13:37.995 --> 00:13:39.515 to talk more about how

NOTE Confidence: 0.99933565

00:13:39.515 --> 00:13:41.250 we're going to figure out

NOTE Confidence: 0.99933565

00:13:41.250 --> 00:13:42.770 a way to deliver cancer

NOTE Confidence: 0.99933565

00:13:42.770 --> 00:13:43.270 care

NOTE Confidence: 0.99902457

00:13:43.730 --> 00:13:45.350 to everyone who needs it.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9748078

00:13:45.730 --> 00:13:47.490 Funding for Yale Cancer Answers

NOTE Confidence: 0.9748078

00:13:47.490 --> 00:13:49.250 is provided by Smilow Cancer

NOTE Confidence: 0.9748078

00:13:49.250 --> 00:13:49.750 Hospital.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9669328

00:13:51.435 --> 00:13:52.955 There are many obstacles to

NOTE Confidence: 0.9669328

00:13:52.955 --> 00:13:54.635 face when quitting smoking as

NOTE Confidence: 0.9669328

00:13:54.635 --> 00:13:56.315 smoking involves the potent drug

NOTE Confidence: 0.9669328

00:13:56.315 --> 00:13:56.815 nicotine.

NOTE Confidence: 0.97094864

00:13:57.550 --> 00:13:58.829 Quitting smoking is a very

NOTE Confidence: 0.97094864

00:13:58.829 --> 00:14:01.149 important lifestyle change especially for

NOTE Confidence: 0.97094864

00:14:01.149 --> 00:14:03.470 patients undergoing cancer treatment as

NOTE Confidence: 0.97094864

00:14:03.470 --> 00:14:04.850 it's been shown to positively

NOTE Confidence: 0.97094864

00:14:05.070 --> 00:14:06.769 impact response to treatments,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9946732

00:14:07.274 --> 00:14:08.875 decrease the likelihood that patients

NOTE Confidence: 0.9946732

00:14:08.875 --> 00:14:10.415 will develop second malignancies,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9966138

00:14:10.954 --> 00:14:12.654 and increase rates of survival.

NOTE Confidence: 0.96686697

00:14:13.194 --> 00:14:15.194 Tobacco treatment programs are currently

NOTE Confidence: 0.96686697

00:14:15.194 --> 00:14:17.010 being offered at federally designated

NOTE Confidence: 0.96686697

00:14:17.230 --> 00:14:19.630 comprehensive cancer centers, such as

NOTE Confidence: 0.96686697

00:14:19.630 --> 00:14:21.070 Yale Cancer Center and

NOTE Confidence: 0.96686697

00:14:21.070 --> 00:14:22.450 Smilow Cancer Hospital.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9796669

00:14:22.990 --> 00:14:24.990 All treatment components are evidence

NOTE Confidence: 0.9796669

00:14:24.990 --> 00:14:26.825 based, and patients are treated

NOTE Confidence: 0.9796669

00:14:26.825 --> 00:14:28.665 with FDA approved first line

NOTE Confidence: 0.9796669

00:14:28.665 --> 00:14:29.165 medications

NOTE Confidence: 0.9710979

00:14:29.705 --> 00:14:31.165 as well as smoking cessation

NOTE Confidence: 0.9710979

00:14:31.305 --> 00:14:33.625 counseling that stresses appropriate coping

NOTE Confidence: 0.9710979

00:14:33.625 --> 00:14:34.125 skills.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9546272

00:14:34.800 --> 00:14:36.320 More information is available at

NOTE Confidence: 0.9546272

00:14:36.320 --> 00:14:38.180 yale cancer center dot org.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9546272

00:14:38.400 --> 00:14:40.160 You're listening to Connecticut Public Radio.

00:14:42.435 --> 00:14:43.955 Good evening again. This is

NOTE Confidence: 0.917785

00:14:44.515 --> 00:14:46.835 Eric Winer, and I'm here

NOTE Confidence: 0.917785

00:14:46.835 --> 00:14:47.335 interviewing

NOTE Confidence: 0.9217714

00:14:48.035 --> 00:14:49.015 Tracy Battaglia.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9742279

00:14:49.795 --> 00:14:50.935 We're talking about

NOTE Confidence: 0.99878746

00:14:52.320 --> 00:14:53.700 cancer care disparities

NOTE Confidence: 0.9759819

00:14:54.160 --> 00:14:56.160 and the challenges that exist

NOTE Confidence: 0.9759819

00:14:56.160 --> 00:14:57.920 and how we hope

NOTE Confidence: 0.9759819

00:14:57.920 --> 00:14:59.440 to change that in the

NOTE Confidence: 0.9759819

00:14:59.440 --> 00:15:00.260 years ahead.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9933816

00:15:01.200 --> 00:15:02.055 I think it's fair to

NOTE Confidence: 0.9933816

00:15:02.055 --> 00:15:03.655 say, Tracy, that it's going to

NOTE Confidence: 0.9933816

00:15:03.655 --> 00:15:05.095 take a long time before

NOTE Confidence: 0.9933816

00:15:05.095 --> 00:15:06.715 we are able to provide

NOTE Confidence: 0.9918902

00:15:07.095 --> 00:15:08.615 equal access to care to

NOTE Confidence: 0.9918902

00:15:08.615 --> 00:15:09.115 everyone.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9957491

00:15:09.940 --> 00:15:10.600 But along

NOTE Confidence: 0.99241054

00:15:11.300 --> 00:15:13.060 that path, it seems that

NOTE Confidence: 0.99241054

00:15:13.060 --> 00:15:14.660 there's a lot of progress

NOTE Confidence: 0.99241054

00:15:14.660 --> 00:15:15.700 that can be made in

NOTE Confidence: 0.99241054

00:15:15.700 --> 00:15:17.380 a stepwise fashion. Would you

NOTE Confidence: 0.99241054

00:15:17.380 --> 00:15:17.880 agree?

NOTE Confidence: 0.9834276

00:15:18.495 --> 00:15:19.935 I would agree. I'm excited

NOTE Confidence: 0.9834276

00:15:19.935 --> 00:15:21.454 to change our conversation from

NOTE Confidence: 0.9834276

00:15:21.454 --> 00:15:23.134 talking about the differences

NOTE Confidence: 0.9834276

00:15:23.134 --> 00:15:24.735 and the disparities and what

NOTE Confidence: 0.9834276

00:15:24.735 --> 00:15:25.774 actions we can take to

NOTE Confidence: 0.9834276

00:15:25.774 --> 00:15:26.595 overcome them.

NOTE Confidence: 0.93748033

00:15:27.850 --> 00:15:28.430 Well, good.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9971606

00:15:29.450 --> 00:15:30.970 So can we talk a

NOTE Confidence: 0.9971606

00:15:30.970 --> 00:15:32.190 little bit about

NOTE Confidence: 0.9993356

00:15:33.050 --> 00:15:34.350 the use of

NOTE Confidence: 0.9547842

00:15:34.730 --> 00:15:37.485 navigation, whether it's nurse navigators

NOTE Confidence: 0.9547842

00:15:37.625 --> 00:15:38.845 or lay navigators,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9920098

00:15:40.985 --> 00:15:42.825 to help with some of

NOTE Confidence: 0.9828349

00:15:44.980 --> 00:15:46.420 the challenges that exist in

NOTE Confidence: 0.9828349

00:15:46.420 --> 00:15:47.620 cancer care for so many

NOTE Confidence: 0.9828349

00:15:47.620 --> 00:15:48.120 people?

NOTE Confidence: 0.92582035

00:15:49.700 --> 00:15:51.380 Absolutely. So I think we

NOTE Confidence: 0.92582035

00:15:51.380 --> 00:15:52.040 just spent

NOTE Confidence: 0.9336001

00:15:52.420 --> 00:15:52.900 a good

NOTE Confidence: 0.9558068

00:15:54.475 --> 00:15:55.215 few minutes

NOTE Confidence: 0.93585306

00:15:55.755 --> 00:15:56.255 describing

NOTE Confidence: 0.99618214

00:15:56.715 --> 00:15:58.395 the inequities and the differences

NOTE Confidence: 0.99618214

00:15:58.395 --> 00:16:00.095 in care and care delivery.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9752415

00:16:00.875 --> 00:16:02.760 And despite that, and

NOTE Confidence: 0.9752415

00:16:02.760 --> 00:16:04.199 despite the persistence of these

NOTE Confidence: 0.9752415

00:16:04.199 --> 00:16:06.120 inequities, there actually are very

NOTE Confidence: 0.9752415

00:16:06.120 --> 00:16:07.019 few proven

NOTE Confidence: 0.92857385

00:16:08.040 --> 00:16:09.905 interventions that actually over

NOTE Confidence: 0.9304895

00:16:10.385 --> 00:16:11.365 come those inequities.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9941722

00:16:12.305 --> 00:16:13.345 And so what I'm talking

NOTE Confidence: 0.9941722

00:16:13.345 --> 00:16:15.025 about is how

NOTE Confidence: 0.9941722

00:16:15.025 --> 00:16:16.385 can we, what can we

NOTE Confidence: 0.9941722

00:16:16.385 --> 00:16:17.445 do to intervene

NOTE Confidence: 0.95216656

00:16:18.389 --> 00:16:20.310 to ensure equal access to

NOTE Confidence: 0.95216656

00:16:20.310 --> 00:16:20.810 care,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9906903

00:16:21.829 --> 00:16:22.649 to ensure

NOTE Confidence: 0.97177017

00:16:23.910 --> 00:16:25.430 the same good outcomes for

NOTE Confidence: 0.97177017

00:16:25.430 --> 00:16:26.870 all patients? How

NOTE Confidence: 0.97177017

00:16:26.870 --> 00:16:27.769 do we do that?

NOTE Confidence: 0.9967207

00:16:28.375 --> 00:16:28.875 Well,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9963137

00:16:29.255 --> 00:16:31.115 there is a very

NOTE Confidence: 0.9971559

00:16:31.415 --> 00:16:32.555 large and

NOTE Confidence: 0.46877575

00:16:33.015 --> 00:16:33.515 scientifically sound

NOTE Confidence: 0.9941175

00:16:35.069 --> 00:16:36.509 base of evidence for the

NOTE Confidence: 0.94921875

00:16:36.509 --> 00:16:38.190 use of patient navigation to

NOTE Confidence: 0.94921875

00:16:38.190 --> 00:16:40.050 improve care, cancer care delivery

NOTE Confidence: 0.94921875

00:16:40.350 --> 00:16:41.790 across the entire spectrum of

NOTE Confidence: 0.94921875

00:16:41.790 --> 00:16:43.585 cancer care, From cancer screening,

NOTE Confidence: 0.94921875

00:16:43.585 --> 00:16:45.125 to early diagnosis,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9251668

00:16:45.425 --> 00:16:47.105 and timely quality

NOTE Confidence: 0.9251668

00:16:47.105 --> 00:16:47.605 treatment.

NOTE Confidence: 0.99570745

00:16:48.705 --> 00:16:50.405 Patient navigation is a term

NOTE Confidence: 0.99570745

00:16:50.550 --> 00:16:51.589 that was coined in the

NOTE Confidence: 0.99570745

00:16:51.589 --> 00:16:52.089 1990s by

NOTE Confidence: 0.9627053

00:16:52.550 --> 00:16:54.949 Doctor Harold Freeman, who

NOTE Confidence: 0.9627053

00:16:54.949 --> 00:16:56.250 was a surgical oncologist

NOTE Confidence: 0.9513542

00:16:56.709 --> 00:16:58.704 in Harlem where he recognized,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9912605

00:16:59.245 --> 00:17:00.764 as I have recognized in

NOTE Confidence: 0.9912605

00:17:00.764 --> 00:17:02.065 my own practice,

NOTE Confidence: 0.94706744

00:17:02.925 --> 00:17:04.924 that young Black women were

NOTE Confidence: 0.94706744

00:17:04.924 --> 00:17:06.225 dying much more

NOTE Confidence: 0.97617847

00:17:06.740 --> 00:17:08.100 than the white patients he

NOTE Confidence: 0.97617847

00:17:08.100 --> 00:17:09.560 was caring for in Harlem

NOTE Confidence: 0.97617847

00:17:09.619 --> 00:17:10.820 in large part, because they

NOTE Confidence: 0.97617847

00:17:10.820 --> 00:17:12.420 were showing up much later

NOTE Confidence: 0.97617847

00:17:12.420 --> 00:17:13.460 in their disease state.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9897048

00:17:16.625 --> 00:17:18.085 And he asked the question,

NOTE Confidence: 0.973148

00:17:19.105 --> 00:17:20.565 why is that the case?

NOTE Confidence: 0.973148

00:17:20.625 --> 00:17:21.904 And it was in large

NOTE Confidence: 0.973148

00:17:21.904 --> 00:17:23.240 part because they were not

NOTE Confidence: 0.973148

00:17:23.480 --> 00:17:25.080 accessing care because of all

NOTE Confidence: 0.973148

00:17:25.080 --> 00:17:26.359 these barriers to care we

NOTE Confidence: 0.973148

00:17:26.359 --> 00:17:27.340 talked about before,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9963389

00:17:28.200 --> 00:17:29.500 cancer wasn't necessarily

NOTE Confidence: 0.99138886

00:17:30.255 --> 00:17:31.615 the priority for the patient

NOTE Confidence: 0.99138886

00:17:31.615 --> 00:17:32.815 because they had all these

NOTE Confidence: 0.99138886

00:17:32.815 --> 00:17:34.895 other social barriers or social

NOTE Confidence: 0.99138886

00:17:34.895 --> 00:17:35.395 drivers

NOTE Confidence: 0.9746198

00:17:36.095 --> 00:17:37.695 to their care, whether it was

NOTE Confidence: 0.96115416

00:17:38.500 --> 00:17:40.920 housing insecurity or food insecurity

NOTE Confidence: 0.9411373

00:17:41.460 --> 00:17:42.440 or employment

NOTE Confidence: 0.9903212

00:17:43.060 --> 00:17:43.560 challenges,

NOTE Confidence: 0.96600854

00:17:43.940 --> 00:17:45.160 insurance challenges,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9934509

00:17:46.244 --> 00:17:48.025 language challenges,

NOTE Confidence: 0.97926486

00:17:48.484 --> 00:17:48.984 transportation,

NOTE Confidence: 0.97711563

00:17:49.285 --> 00:17:50.565 getting to care. All of

NOTE Confidence: 0.97711563

00:17:50.565 --> 00:17:52.165 those things were impeding the

NOTE Confidence: 0.97711563

00:17:52.165 --> 00:17:54.025 access to services. And

NOTE Confidence: 0.97147167

00:17:54.650 --> 00:17:56.250 he designed a program in

NOTE Confidence: 0.97147167

00:17:56.250 --> 00:17:57.850 partnership with the community. And

NOTE Confidence: 0.97147167

00:17:57.850 --> 00:17:58.750 he said, well,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9612473

00:17:59.690 --> 00:18:01.369 who else to better help

NOTE Confidence: 0.9612473

00:18:01.369 --> 00:18:03.549 patients get into our hospital

NOTE Confidence: 0.98373705

00:18:04.184 --> 00:18:05.945 walls, but patients from the

NOTE Confidence: 0.98373705

00:18:05.945 --> 00:18:07.145 community who they know and

NOTE Confidence: 0.98373705

00:18:07.145 --> 00:18:07.645 trust.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9360474

00:18:08.184 --> 00:18:09.385 And so he hired what

NOTE Confidence: 0.9360474

00:18:09.385 --> 00:18:11.325 were now called patient navigators

NOTE Confidence: 0.9360474

00:18:11.510 --> 00:18:12.970 who are culturally and linguistically

NOTE Confidence: 0.9360474

00:18:13.190 --> 00:18:15.130 congruent with the patient population

NOTE Confidence: 0.9360474

00:18:15.270 --> 00:18:16.630 to be the liaison between

NOTE Confidence: 0.9360474

00:18:16.630 --> 00:18:17.670 the health system and the

NOTE Confidence: 0.9360474

00:18:17.670 --> 00:18:18.170 patient.

NOTE Confidence: 0.98163533

00:18:18.695 --> 00:18:20.455 To help understand what their

NOTE Confidence: 0.98163533

00:18:20.455 --> 00:18:22.475 specific barriers to care are,

NOTE Confidence: 0.98163533

00:18:22.615 --> 00:18:23.734 and then connect them with

NOTE Confidence: 0.98163533

00:18:23.734 --> 00:18:25.575 community resources to overcome them.

NOTE Confidence: 0.98163533

00:18:25.575 --> 00:18:26.934 Whether that be helping them

NOTE Confidence: 0.98163533

00:18:26.934 --> 00:18:27.434 enroll

NOTE Confidence: 0.99506044

00:18:27.750 --> 00:18:29.050 for public insurance,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9588561

00:18:29.510 --> 00:18:30.410 get transportation,

NOTE Confidence: 0.95609444

00:18:31.430 --> 00:18:33.430 support around housing or food

NOTE Confidence: 0.95609444

00:18:33.430 --> 00:18:33.930 insecurity,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9966457

00:18:34.230 --> 00:18:35.910 so that they could deal

NOTE Confidence: 0.9966457

00:18:35.910 --> 00:18:36.970 with those issues

NOTE Confidence: 0.9984725

00:18:37.775 --> 00:18:38.734 as a means to make

NOTE Confidence: 0.9984725

00:18:38.734 --> 00:18:40.015 sure that they were also

NOTE Confidence: 0.9984725

00:18:40.015 --> 00:18:40.835 able to

NOTE Confidence: 0.9442185

00:18:41.455 --> 00:18:42.994 comply with their medical

NOTE Confidence: 0.9867544

00:18:44.335 --> 00:18:45.395 treatment and care.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9633956

00:18:46.009 --> 00:18:47.210 And so fast

NOTE Confidence: 0.9633956

00:18:47.210 --> 00:18:48.649 forward twenty years now, we

NOTE Confidence: 0.7928075

00:18:52.955 --> 00:18:53.775 have good evidence

NOTE Confidence: 0.9686134

00:18:54.075 --> 00:18:56.475 using randomized clinical trials, which

NOTE Confidence: 0.9686134

00:18:56.475 --> 00:18:58.155 is the best scientific evidence

NOTE Confidence: 0.9686134

00:18:58.155 --> 00:18:59.195 we have that shows if

NOTE Confidence: 0.9686134

00:18:59.195 --> 00:19:00.815 you insert these

NOTE Confidence: 0.99067926

00:19:01.160 --> 00:19:02.840 patient navigators into the health

NOTE Confidence: 0.99067926

00:19:02.840 --> 00:19:04.760 system to support patients through

NOTE Confidence: 0.99067926

00:19:04.760 --> 00:19:05.500 their care,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9983012

00:19:05.800 --> 00:19:07.000 they are more likely to

NOTE Confidence: 0.9983012

00:19:07.000 --> 00:19:08.380 get into their screening,

NOTE Confidence: 0.95203364

00:19:08.785 --> 00:19:10.085 get a timely diagnosis,

NOTE Confidence: 0.961069

00:19:10.705 --> 00:19:12.625 and get into timely treatment

NOTE Confidence: 0.961069

00:19:12.625 --> 00:19:14.465 and have quality treatment and

NOTE Confidence: 0.961069

00:19:14.465 --> 00:19:16.244 complete that treatment. And ultimately

NOTE Confidence: 0.961069

00:19:16.385 --> 00:19:17.125 we know

NOTE Confidence: 0.9976127

00:19:17.429 --> 00:19:18.630 if we can do that,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9976127

00:19:18.630 --> 00:19:20.809 we're going to improve outcomes

NOTE Confidence: 0.9976127

00:19:20.950 --> 00:19:22.390 and start to get to

NOTE Confidence: 0.9976127

00:19:22.390 --> 00:19:24.470 a place where everyone has

NOTE Confidence: 0.9976127

00:19:24.470 --> 00:19:26.650 the opportunity for optimal health.

NOTE Confidence: 0.92965174

00:19:28.264 --> 00:19:29.325 It's so important,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9997812

00:19:29.625 --> 00:19:31.384 and it's more important than

NOTE Confidence: 0.9997812

00:19:31.384 --> 00:19:32.125 ever before.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9995308

00:19:32.585 --> 00:19:33.965 I know that when

NOTE Confidence: 0.9456881

00:19:34.480 --> 00:19:35.840 I try to access

NOTE Confidence: 0.9456881

00:19:35.840 --> 00:19:36.980 the health care system,

NOTE Confidence: 0.97326845

00:19:37.600 --> 00:19:39.779 and I'm about as connected

NOTE Confidence: 0.97326845

00:19:39.840 --> 00:19:41.119 as a person can be,

NOTE Confidence: 0.97326845

00:19:41.119 --> 00:19:42.740 being the cancer center director and

00:19:43.765 --> 00:19:44.265 having

NOTE Confidence: 0.8791019

00:19:44.965 --> 00:19:46.905 adequate education and resources,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9774173

00:19:47.605 --> 00:19:48.905 but I find it impossible

NOTE Confidence: 0.9774173

00:19:49.125 --> 00:19:50.885 to navigate the system.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9774173

00:19:50.885 --> 00:19:52.410 I share that experience.

NOTE Confidence: 0.99908733

00:19:53.210 --> 00:19:55.310 And if you don't have that

NOTE Confidence: 0.9925904

00:19:56.730 --> 00:19:57.630 inner knowledge,

00:20:01.895 --> 00:20:03.174 and particularly if there are

NOTE Confidence: 0.9600364

00:20:03.174 --> 00:20:04.455 reasons why you want to run

NOTE Confidence: 0.9600364

00:20:04.455 --> 00:20:06.215 away from the health care

NOTE Confidence: 0.9600364

00:20:06.215 --> 00:20:08.135 system to begin with, it's

NOTE Confidence: 0.9600364

00:20:08.135 --> 00:20:09.940 just too easy for that

NOTE Confidence: 0.9600364

00:20:09.940 --> 00:20:10.520 to happen.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9987524

00:20:10.900 --> 00:20:12.600 And you can see how

NOTE Confidence: 0.98716617

00:20:12.980 --> 00:20:15.080 the assistance of a navigator,

NOTE Confidence: 0.98716617

00:20:15.220 --> 00:20:16.440 of someone to just

NOTE Confidence: 0.9828407

00:20:16.845 --> 00:20:18.045 help guide you through the

NOTE Confidence: 0.9828407

00:20:18.045 --> 00:20:19.725 experience could make such a

NOTE Confidence: 0.9828407

00:20:19.725 --> 00:20:20.625 huge difference.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9961109

00:20:21.085 --> 00:20:21.965

NOTE Confidence: 0.9961109

00:20:21.965 --> 00:20:23.005 Yeah, you know in some

NOTE Confidence: 0.9961109

00:20:23.005 --> 00:20:23.505 respects,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9832023

00:20:23.965 --> 00:20:24.865 patient navigation,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9954263

00:20:26.250 --> 00:20:27.290 the fact that we need

NOTE Confidence: 0.9954263

00:20:27.290 --> 00:20:28.190 patient navigation

NOTE Confidence: 0.96975255

00:20:29.210 --> 00:20:30.730 suggests that our health system is

00:20:32.170 --> 00:20:32.670 inadequate.

NOTE Confidence: 0.86903775

00:20:33.625 --> 00:20:34.125 Right.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9638114

00:20:34.585 --> 00:20:36.845 It's a complex system even for us

00:20:44.389 --> 00:20:46.149 and our medical literacy and health

NOTE Confidence: 0.8942258

00:20:46.149 --> 00:20:47.429 literacy is higher and we are

00:20:51.355 --> 00:20:52.894 care providers ourselves.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9438012

00:20:54.475 --> 00:20:55.774 And we speak the language and

NOTE Confidence: 0.94832945

00:20:56.955 --> 00:20:59.169 the people we work

NOTE Confidence: 0.94832945

00:20:59.169 --> 00:21:00.630 with are like us, right?

NOTE Confidence: 0.89350015

00:21:02.049 --> 00:21:02.850 So for all of those

NOTE Confidence: 0.89350015

00:21:02.850 --> 00:21:04.049 reasons, and people want to

NOTE Confidence: 0.89350015

00:21:04.049 --> 00:21:05.750 take care of us. Absolutely.

00:21:08.075 --> 00:21:09.195 When I had my

NOTE Confidence: 0.99768484

00:21:09.195 --> 00:21:10.095 cancer diagnosis

NOTE Confidence: 0.9371866

00:21:11.435 --> 00:21:13.275 as a professional, you know,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9371866

00:21:13.275 --> 00:21:14.494 people called me.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9868294

00:21:15.200 --> 00:21:16.080 I didn't have to

NOTE Confidence: 0.9868294

00:21:16.080 --> 00:21:16.960 call to get into care.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9868294

00:21:16.960 --> 00:21:18.000 People called me to help

NOTE Confidence: 0.9868294

00:21:18.000 --> 00:21:19.040 me get into care. That

NOTE Confidence: 0.9868294

00:21:19.040 --> 00:21:20.820 was not my patient experience.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9958803

00:21:22.244 --> 00:21:23.525 And so until

NOTE Confidence: 0.9958803

00:21:23.525 --> 00:21:25.225 we have a just system

NOTE Confidence: 0.9864966

00:21:25.765 --> 00:21:27.765 that supports everyone equally, we're

NOTE Confidence: 0.9864966

00:21:27.765 --> 00:21:29.065 always going to have inequities.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9864966

00:21:29.285 --> 00:21:30.744 And so I don't think

NOTE Confidence: 0.9864966

00:21:30.850 --> 00:21:32.950 health equity or cancer equity

NOTE Confidence: 0.9108566

00:21:34.130 --> 00:21:35.730 work will ever go away

NOTE Confidence: 0.9108566

00:21:35.730 --> 00:21:37.650 because we're human by

NOTE Confidence: 0.9108566

00:21:37.650 --> 00:21:38.150 nature.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9078422

00:21:40.085 --> 00:21:41.685 From a social

NOTE Confidence: 0.9078422

00:21:41.685 --> 00:21:43.305 sort of system, we

NOTE Confidence: 0.97199064

00:21:43.765 --> 00:21:45.045 set ourselves up for

NOTE Confidence: 0.97199064

00:21:45.045 --> 00:21:46.725 inequity. And so we always

NOTE Confidence: 0.97199064

00:21:46.725 --> 00:21:47.900 have to be asking

NOTE Confidence: 0.97199064

00:21:47.900 --> 00:21:49.420 that critical question, who in

NOTE Confidence: 0.97199064

00:21:49.420 --> 00:21:50.619 our community right now is

NOTE Confidence: 0.97199064

00:21:50.619 --> 00:21:51.900 not being served? That might

NOTE Confidence: 0.97199064

00:21:51.900 --> 00:21:53.660 look different in ten, twenty

NOTE Confidence: 0.97199064

00:21:53.660 --> 00:21:54.540 years. It might be a

NOTE Confidence: 0.97199064

00:21:54.540 --> 00:21:55.840 different group or population,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9954825

00:21:56.165 --> 00:21:57.685 but there will always be

NOTE Confidence: 0.9954825

00:21:57.685 --> 00:21:59.125 those who are

NOTE Confidence: 0.9954825

00:21:59.125 --> 00:21:59.525 doing

NOTE Confidence: 0.96233463

00:22:01.125 --> 00:22:02.645 better than others. And

NOTE Confidence: 0.96233463

00:22:02.645 --> 00:22:03.765 so we always have to

NOTE Confidence: 0.96233463

00:22:03.765 --> 00:22:05.190 have this critical

NOTE Confidence: 0.96233463

00:22:05.190 --> 00:22:06.409 health equity lens

NOTE Confidence: 0.9970147

00:22:06.950 --> 00:22:08.250 as we approach our work.

NOTE Confidence: 0.98671466

00:22:09.190 --> 00:22:10.710 And so I think that since

NOTE Confidence: 0.9824341

00:22:12.605 --> 00:22:14.225 COVID and sort of

NOTE Confidence: 0.86295485

00:22:15.404 --> 00:22:16.445 all of the

NOTE Confidence: 0.86295485

00:22:16.445 --> 00:22:17.585 social sort of

NOTE Confidence: 0.9776907

00:22:19.700 --> 00:22:21.220 unearthing of

NOTE Confidence: 0.9776907

00:22:21.220 --> 00:22:22.919 what we've always known around

NOTE Confidence: 0.9428655

00:22:23.220 --> 00:22:24.200 social inequity,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9978073

00:22:25.700 --> 00:22:27.080 we've been challenged as

NOTE Confidence: 0.99808407

00:22:27.380 --> 00:22:27.880

00:22:28.285 --> 00:22:29.744 a society to

NOTE Confidence: 0.98574245

00:22:30.525 --> 00:22:31.725 do something about it. And

NOTE Confidence: 0.98574245

00:22:31.725 --> 00:22:32.605 so I think that's a

NOTE Confidence: 0.98574245

00:22:32.605 --> 00:22:33.805 good thing, but I don't

NOTE Confidence: 0.98574245

00:22:33.805 --> 00:22:34.685 think we can ever let

NOTE Confidence: 0.98574245

00:22:34.685 --> 00:22:36.010 that guard down. It needs

NOTE Confidence: 0.98574245

00:22:36.010 --> 00:22:37.530 to continue. We're already seeing

NOTE Confidence: 0.98574245

00:22:37.530 --> 00:22:38.970 the pendulum swing in some

NOTE Confidence: 0.98574245

00:22:38.970 --> 00:22:40.650 respects about the focus on

NOTE Confidence: 0.98574245

00:22:40.650 --> 00:22:41.869 health equity and

NOTE Confidence: 0.80412185

00:22:42.170 --> 00:22:42.490

00:22:43.785 --> 00:22:45.725 the disinvestment in health equity,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9789714

00:22:46.425 --> 00:22:47.465 after there was such a

NOTE Confidence: 0.9789714

00:22:47.465 --> 00:22:49.305 strong investment in health equity

NOTE Confidence: 0.9789714

00:22:49.305 --> 00:22:50.980 post COVID. We can't

NOTE Confidence: 0.9789714

00:22:50.980 --> 00:22:52.179 let our guard down.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9789714

NOTE Confidence: 0.9789714

00:22:53.139 --> 00:22:54.440 And I respect your leadership

NOTE Confidence: 0.991367

00:22:54.740 --> 00:22:56.200 as a cancer center director

NOTE Confidence: 0.9288168

00:22:56.899 --> 00:22:59.005 and prioritizing this conversation because

NOTE Confidence: 0.9288168

00:22:59.005 --> 00:23:00.545 it suggests that you recognize

NOTE Confidence: 0.9288168

00:23:00.605 --> 00:23:01.505 that it's important.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9931295

00:23:02.365 --> 00:23:03.645 And if we can just

NOTE Confidence: 0.9931295

00:23:03.645 --> 00:23:05.585 step away from the professional

NOTE Confidence: 0.9931295

00:23:05.645 --> 00:23:07.005 and into the personal for

NOTE Confidence: 0.9931295

00:23:07.005 --> 00:23:07.585 a second.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9972959

00:23:08.230 --> 00:23:10.490 So you had Hodgkin's disease

NOTE Confidence: 0.9972959

00:23:10.630 --> 00:23:11.369 when you

NOTE Confidence: 0.9759421

00:23:11.910 --> 00:23:13.690 were twenty. In your early

NOTE Confidence: 0.9759421

00:23:13.750 --> 00:23:14.250 twenties

NOTE Confidence: 0.9256791

00:23:14.550 --> 00:23:16.825 and breast cancer in

NOTE Confidence: 0.9256791

00:23:16.885 --> 00:23:18.105 the last

NOTE Confidence: 0.95934093

00:23:18.484 --> 00:23:18.984 decade.

NOTE Confidence: 0.997834

00:23:21.445 --> 00:23:23.545 To what extent has that

NOTE Confidence: 0.999183

00:23:24.070 --> 00:23:24.970 lived experience

NOTE Confidence: 0.99797946

00:23:25.669 --> 00:23:26.169 fueled

NOTE Confidence: 0.9980367

00:23:27.029 --> 00:23:29.510 your desire to pursue this

NOTE Confidence: 0.9980367

00:23:29.510 --> 00:23:30.010 career?

NOTE Confidence: 0.97076577

00:23:34.115 --> 00:23:35.655 As I started out our conversation,

NOTE Confidence: 0.904029

00:23:37.315 --> 00:23:38.915 it's our lived experience. It's

NOTE Confidence: 0.904029

00:23:38.915 --> 00:23:40.275 our stories, it's our history.

NOTE Confidence: 0.904029

00:23:40.275 --> 00:23:41.635 It's what shapes us.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9964431

00:23:45.540 --> 00:23:46.280 And I think

NOTE Confidence: 0.97050273

00:23:49.060 --> 00:23:50.920 that my first cancer experience

NOTE Confidence: 0.98117316

00:23:52.575 --> 00:23:53.855 motivated me to go into

NOTE Confidence: 0.98117316

00:23:53.855 --> 00:23:54.595 this field.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9900408

00:23:55.375 --> 00:23:57.234 And my second cancer experience

NOTE Confidence: 0.99850166

00:23:58.575 --> 00:24:00.275 challenged me to think

NOTE Confidence: 0.9998637

00:24:00.575 --> 00:24:02.470 critically about what we've

NOTE Confidence: 0.9676932

00:24:02.929 --> 00:24:04.530 done to get to

NOTE Confidence: 0.9676932

00:24:04.530 --> 00:24:05.730 where we are and how

NOTE Confidence: 0.9676932

00:24:05.730 --> 00:24:06.929 much further we need to go.

00:24:08.290 --> 00:24:10.095 For me personally, it's just fueled

NOTE Confidence: 0.9676932

00:24:10.095 --> 00:24:11.775 my desire and

00:24:12.895 --> 00:24:14.435 commitment to doing this work,

NOTE Confidence: 0.95279485

00:24:15.135 --> 00:24:16.255 but it also helps me

NOTE Confidence: 0.95279485

00:24:16.255 --> 00:24:18.275 understand where we're falling short.

00:24:19.340 --> 00:24:20.700 I see myself

NOTE Confidence: 0.99631554

00:24:20.700 --> 00:24:22.060 as an advocate to continue to

NOTE Confidence: 0.955164

00:24:24.300 --> 00:24:26.300 ensure that the

NOTE Confidence: 0.955164

00:24:26.300 --> 00:24:27.820 leaders of our health systems

00:24:31.105 --> 00:24:31.845 and our government

NOTE Confidence: 0.9743129

00:24:32.145 --> 00:24:34.405 really prioritize this work because

NOTE Confidence: 0.99842614

00:24:35.960 --> 00:24:36.840 I can tell you from

NOTE Confidence: 0.99842614

00:24:36.840 --> 00:24:37.820 my own experience

NOTE Confidence: 0.8612879

00:24:38.680 --> 00:24:39.160 that

NOTE Confidence: 0.9938188

00:24:41.000 --> 00:24:41.800 we have a long way

NOTE Confidence: 0.9938188

00:24:41.800 --> 00:24:42.380 to go.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9928589

00:24:42.975 --> 00:24:43.855 We have a long way

NOTE Confidence: 0.9928589

00:24:43.855 --> 00:24:45.215 to go and you know,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9928589

00:24:45.215 --> 00:24:47.135 what's really remarkable is

00:24:48.015 --> 00:24:49.855 not that cancer care is

NOTE Confidence: 0.9292326

00:24:49.855 --> 00:24:51.455 by any means close to

NOTE Confidence: 0.9292326

00:24:51.455 --> 00:24:51.955 perfect

NOTE Confidence: 0.9995474

00:24:52.700 --> 00:24:54.059 for even those who can

NOTE Confidence: 0.9995474

00:24:54.059 --> 00:24:54.559 get

NOTE Confidence: 0.9834505

00:24:54.940 --> 00:24:56.240 the very best care.

NOTE Confidence: 0.98275477

00:24:56.779 --> 00:24:58.619 But we've made so much

NOTE Confidence: 0.98275477

00:24:58.619 --> 00:25:00.700 progress in the last three

NOTE Confidence: 0.98275477

00:25:00.700 --> 00:25:01.200 decades and

00:25:02.365 --> 00:25:03.105 the progress

NOTE Confidence: 0.9588996

00:25:03.484 --> 00:25:05.565 feels like it's exponential at

NOTE Confidence: 0.9588996

00:25:05.565 --> 00:25:06.625 this point with

NOTE Confidence: 0.52155495

00:25:07.005 --> 00:25:07.505 newer

NOTE Confidence: 0.9989594

00:25:08.125 --> 00:25:09.965 drugs being approved at a

NOTE Confidence: 0.9989594

00:25:09.965 --> 00:25:11.859 rate that is really

NOTE Confidence: 0.9987086

00:25:12.880 --> 00:25:13.380 unprecedented

NOTE Confidence: 0.95998883

00:25:13.760 --> 00:25:15.039 and other kinds of

NOTE Confidence: 0.95998883

00:25:15.039 --> 00:25:16.820 therapies as well.

NOTE Confidence: 0.99748164

00:25:17.760 --> 00:25:18.260 But

NOTE Confidence: 0.9772331

00:25:19.015 --> 00:25:20.295 that's if you can

NOTE Confidence: 0.9772331

00:25:20.295 --> 00:25:21.915 get it, and it's just

NOTE Confidence: 0.99940366

00:25:22.375 --> 00:25:23.815 so critical at this point.

00:25:24.855 --> 00:25:25.895 What would you say to

NOTE Confidence: 0.9980003

00:25:25.895 --> 00:25:26.395 someone

NOTE Confidence: 0.97223794

00:25:26.695 --> 00:25:27.515 or to

NOTE Confidence: 0.97496265

00:25:28.290 --> 00:25:29.650 a health care system that

NOTE Confidence: 0.97496265

00:25:29.650 --> 00:25:30.150 says,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9849732

00:25:30.530 --> 00:25:32.630 well, this navigation thing sounds

NOTE Confidence: 0.9849732

00:25:32.770 --> 00:25:33.270 okay,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9831488

00:25:33.810 --> 00:25:35.170 but how are we gonna

NOTE Confidence: 0.9831488

00:25:35.170 --> 00:25:37.010 afford it? How can we

NOTE Confidence: 0.9831488

00:25:37.010 --> 00:25:37.510 possibly

NOTE Confidence: 0.99961394

00:25:38.275 --> 00:25:38.775 consider

NOTE Confidence: 0.97290003

00:25:39.234 --> 00:25:41.494 covering the costs for navigation?

NOTE Confidence: 0.98486215

00:25:44.035 --> 00:25:44.915 I mean, I think that's

NOTE Confidence: 0.98486215

00:25:44.915 --> 00:25:46.755 easy. Right? We can't not

NOTE Confidence: 0.98486215

00:25:46.755 --> 00:25:48.150 afford to do it. We

NOTE Confidence: 0.98486215

00:25:48.150 --> 00:25:49.350 can't not afford to do

NOTE Confidence: 0.98486215

00:25:49.350 --> 00:25:50.310 it. Like we have to

NOTE Confidence: 0.98486215

00:25:50.310 --> 00:25:52.310 do it because it's going

NOTE Confidence: 0.98486215

00:25:52.310 --> 00:25:53.430 to improve. It's going to

NOTE Confidence: 0.98486215

00:25:53.430 --> 00:25:54.250 save lives.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9910471

00:25:54.710 --> 00:25:56.550 It's actually ultimately going to

NOTE Confidence: 0.9910471

00:25:56.550 --> 00:25:57.530 improve costs

NOTE Confidence: 0.923899

00:25:57.915 --> 00:25:59.275 because we're going to get

NOTE Confidence: 0.923899

00:25:59.275 --> 00:26:01.375 people in earlier with

NOTE Confidence: 0.923899

00:26:01.515 --> 00:26:02.955 an earlier diagnosis so

NOTE Confidence: 0.923899

00:26:02.955 --> 00:26:04.175 that they have less morbidity

NOTE Confidence: 0.923899

00:26:04.315 --> 00:26:06.420 and less complications and less

NOTE Confidence: 0.923899

00:26:06.420 --> 00:26:07.960 complicated treatment regimens.

00:26:10.740 --> 00:26:12.020 Care in the

NOTE Confidence: 0.93255186

00:26:12.020 --> 00:26:13.560 emergency room when you're

NOTE Confidence: 0.9765726

00:26:13.955 --> 00:26:15.395 super sick is not the

NOTE Confidence: 0.9765726

00:26:15.395 --> 00:26:16.755 answer. It's the

NOTE Confidence: 0.9765726

00:26:16.755 --> 00:26:19.095 most expensive approach.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9988794

00:26:26.490 --> 00:26:27.690 And what would you say to

NOTE Confidence: 0.99436575

00:26:27.690 --> 00:26:28.190 someone

NOTE Confidence: 0.96346337

00:26:29.369 --> 00:26:30.970 who says, this is

NOTE Confidence: 0.96346337

00:26:30.970 --> 00:26:31.470 really

NOTE Confidence: 0.9103634

00:26:31.855 --> 00:26:33.155 horrific what I'm hearing.

NOTE Confidence: 0.99908954

00:26:33.855 --> 00:26:35.075 How can I help?

NOTE Confidence: 0.9405116

00:26:37.455 --> 00:26:38.335 Do you think there are

NOTE Confidence: 0.9405116

00:26:38.335 --> 00:26:39.155 things that

NOTE Confidence: 0.9074495

00:26:40.789 --> 00:26:42.490 non doctors, non nurses,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9914518

00:26:43.669 --> 00:26:45.190 people who just have friends

NOTE Confidence: 0.9914518

00:26:45.190 --> 00:26:46.650 with cancer can do

NOTE Confidence: 0.94285136

00:26:48.744 --> 00:26:49.405 to somehow

NOTE Confidence: 0.9755806

00:26:50.984 --> 00:26:52.105 help with this problem of

NOTE Confidence: 0.9755806

00:26:52.105 --> 00:26:53.085 cancer disparities?

NOTE Confidence: 0.9987702

00:26:54.025 --> 00:26:55.244 Yeah. I mean, I think

NOTE Confidence: 0.9987702

00:26:55.440 --> 00:26:56.580 we all have to

NOTE Confidence: 0.6482252

00:26:57.280 --> 00:26:57.780 become advocates

NOTE Confidence: 0.98263127

00:27:02.885 --> 00:27:04.165 in health equity. And I

NOTE Confidence: 0.98263127

00:27:04.165 --> 00:27:05.605 think it starts with asking

NOTE Confidence: 0.98263127

00:27:05.605 --> 00:27:07.385 the difficult questions. Sometimes

NOTE Confidence: 0.97750354

00:27:07.685 --> 00:27:08.885 I am that person in

NOTE Confidence: 0.97750354

00:27:08.885 --> 00:27:10.085 the room that asks a

NOTE Confidence: 0.97750354

00:27:10.085 --> 00:27:12.005 difficult question of who's not

NOTE Confidence: 0.97750354

00:27:12.005 --> 00:27:13.510 here. Who's actually not in

NOTE Confidence: 0.97750354

00:27:13.510 --> 00:27:14.710 the room right now? And

NOTE Confidence: 0.97750354

00:27:14.710 --> 00:27:16.150 we're making decisions, but the

NOTE Confidence: 0.97750354

00:27:16.150 --> 00:27:17.510 people who we're making decisions

NOTE Confidence: 0.97750354

00:27:17.510 --> 00:27:18.570 for are not represented.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9497732

00:27:19.585 --> 00:27:20.705 So I think we can,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9497732

00:27:20.705 --> 00:27:22.145 each one of us, sort

NOTE Confidence: 0.9497732

00:27:22.145 --> 00:27:23.825 of hold ourselves accountable in

NOTE Confidence: 0.9497732

00:27:23.825 --> 00:27:25.505 whatever spaces we are in.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9497732

00:27:25.505 --> 00:27:27.044 Our communities, in our schools,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9497732

00:27:27.105 --> 00:27:27.980 in our work,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9230406

00:27:28.540 --> 00:27:30.059 with our doctors as a

NOTE Confidence: 0.9230406

00:27:30.059 --> 00:27:31.820 patient, if you're a provider,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9230406

00:27:31.820 --> 00:27:32.640 as a provider.

NOTE Confidence: 0.94692755

00:27:33.500 --> 00:27:35.100 And ask the question, who's

NOTE Confidence: 0.94692755

00:27:35.100 --> 00:27:36.705 not being served and why?

NOTE Confidence: 0.9983972

00:27:37.184 --> 00:27:38.404 Because we make decisions

NOTE Confidence: 0.9345685

00:27:39.105 --> 00:27:41.445 ourselves and within

00:27:43.105 --> 00:27:44.945 the role as leaders

NOTE Confidence: 0.9458295

00:27:44.945 --> 00:27:46.565 and administrators that

NOTE Confidence: 0.99417794

00:27:47.649 --> 00:27:49.649 inadvertently leave people out. So

NOTE Confidence: 0.99417794

00:27:49.649 --> 00:27:50.769 I think it just really

NOTE Confidence: 0.99417794

00:27:50.769 --> 00:27:52.070 starts with that first

NOTE Confidence: 0.9793644

00:27:52.609 --> 00:27:54.210 critical question of who's not

NOTE Confidence: 0.9793644

00:27:54.210 --> 00:27:55.250 here and who's not being

NOTE Confidence: 0.9793644

00:27:55.250 --> 00:27:56.149 served and why.

NOTE Confidence: 0.95070404

00:27:56.955 --> 00:27:57.994 And I guess if when

NOTE Confidence: 0.95070404

00:27:57.994 --> 00:27:59.595 we hear someone has cancer

NOTE Confidence: 0.95070404

00:27:59.595 --> 00:28:00.815 and we know they're,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9993488

00:28:01.274 --> 00:28:03.355 for example, somebody without health

NOTE Confidence: 0.9993488

00:28:03.355 --> 00:28:03.855 insurance

NOTE Confidence: 0.7271415

00:28:04.234 --> 00:28:04.734 who

NOTE Confidence: 0.99792403

00:28:05.450 --> 00:28:07.310 does not have financial resources

NOTE Confidence: 0.936845

00:28:08.250 --> 00:28:10.109 or health literacy or education,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9863289

00:28:11.050 --> 00:28:12.510 who's in the LGBTQ

NOTE Confidence: 0.92804813

00:28:13.095 --> 00:28:14.695 plus community, who lives in

NOTE Confidence: 0.92804813

00:28:14.695 --> 00:28:16.135 a rural environment, who for

NOTE Confidence: 0.92804813

00:28:16.135 --> 00:28:17.415 that matter has mental health

NOTE Confidence: 0.92804813

00:28:17.415 --> 00:28:17.915 issues,

NOTE Confidence: 0.94671744

00:28:19.095 --> 00:28:20.695 and, of course, people who

NOTE Confidence: 0.94671744

00:28:20.695 --> 00:28:21.915 are of color,

NOTE Confidence: 0.99377245

00:28:22.760 --> 00:28:23.880 we must ask

NOTE Confidence: 0.99377245

00:28:23.880 --> 00:28:25.400 ourselves whether they're gonna get

NOTE Confidence: 0.99377245

00:28:25.400 --> 00:28:27.160 adequate cancer care and do

NOTE Confidence: 0.99377245

00:28:27.160 --> 00:28:28.840 our best to help

NOTE Confidence: 0.99377245

00:28:28.840 --> 00:28:30.060 in any way we can.

NOTE Confidence: 0.97887075

00:28:30.664 --> 00:28:32.125 And that's where patient navigation

NOTE Confidence: 0.97887075

00:28:32.184 --> 00:28:33.725 can come in, for sure.

NOTE Confidence: 0.94121265

00:28:34.105 --> 00:28:36.345 Doctor Tracy Battaglia is associate

NOTE Confidence: 0.94121265

00:28:36.345 --> 00:28:38.184 cancer center director for cancer

NOTE Confidence: 0.94121265

00:28:38.184 --> 00:28:39.865 care equity at Yale Cancer

NOTE Confidence: 0.94121265

00:28:39.865 --> 00:28:40.365 Center.

NOTE Confidence: 0.99135584

00:28:40.740 --> 00:28:42.020 If you have questions, the

NOTE Confidence: 0.99135584

00:28:42.020 --> 00:28:43.080 address is canceranswersatyale

NOTE Confidence: 0.9507818

00:28:44.020 --> 00:28:44.840 dot edu,

NOTE Confidence: 0.9947306

00:28:45.220 --> 00:28:46.500 and past editions of the

NOTE Confidence: 0.9947306

00:28:46.500 --> 00:28:48.260 program are available in audio

NOTE Confidence: 0.9947306

00:28:48.260 --> 00:28:49.645 and written form at yale

NOTE Confidence: 0.9947306

00:28:49.645 --> 00:28:51.025 cancer center dot org.

NOTE Confidence: 0.9997403

00:28:51.405 --> 00:28:52.365 We hope you'll join us

NOTE Confidence: 0.9997403

00:28:52.365 --> 00:28:53.485 next time to learn more

NOTE Confidence: 0.9997403

00:28:53.485 --> 00:28:54.865 about the fight against cancer.

NOTE Confidence: 0.971222

00:28:55.283 --> 00:28:56.963 Funding for Yale Cancer Answers

NOTE Confidence: 0.971222

00:28:56.963 --> 00:28:58.723 is provided by Smilow Cancer

NOTE Confidence: 0.971222

00:28:58.723 --> 00:28:59.223 Hospital.