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INTRODUCTION

- Cervical cancer is preventable and curable, yet Hispanic populations in certain areas of the country have higher mortality rates from invasive cervical cancer than non-Hispanic white women.
- We aim to investigate differences in cervical cancer mortality and survivorship, utilizing a multi-level approach from the socio-ecologic model.

METHODS

- This is a mixed methods exploratory study utilizing fRAP (focused Rapid Assessment Process) methodology to uncover modifiable differences in cervical cancer survivorship contributing to mortality differences.
- This poster highlights the qualitative Phase II of our methods, including participant observation in three Texas counties.
- Participants for key informant interviews identified during fieldwork visits to each county and stratified by level of interest: community, medical systems, policy, e.g. a community resource executive director, a practicing gynecologic oncologist and a county-level health administrator.
- 38 key informants across levels and across counties have participated in interviews to date.

RESULTS

- Cross comparison of themes within a county across multiple levels and across counties within levels
- See results, right

CONCLUSIONS/NEXT STEPS

 Next stages of fRAP include evaluation of modifiable features found for possible policy change targets to address disparities in care.

In 3 Texas counties, differences in community, medical and policy features affect cervical cancer survivorship in Hispanic women.

Higher levels of community engagement for survivorship care, alongside more supportive medical and payer environments for undocumented immigrants, may improve cervical cancer outcomes in Hispanic women.

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Cervical Cancer Mortality Rate - Hi

Cervical Cancer Mortality Rate – WI

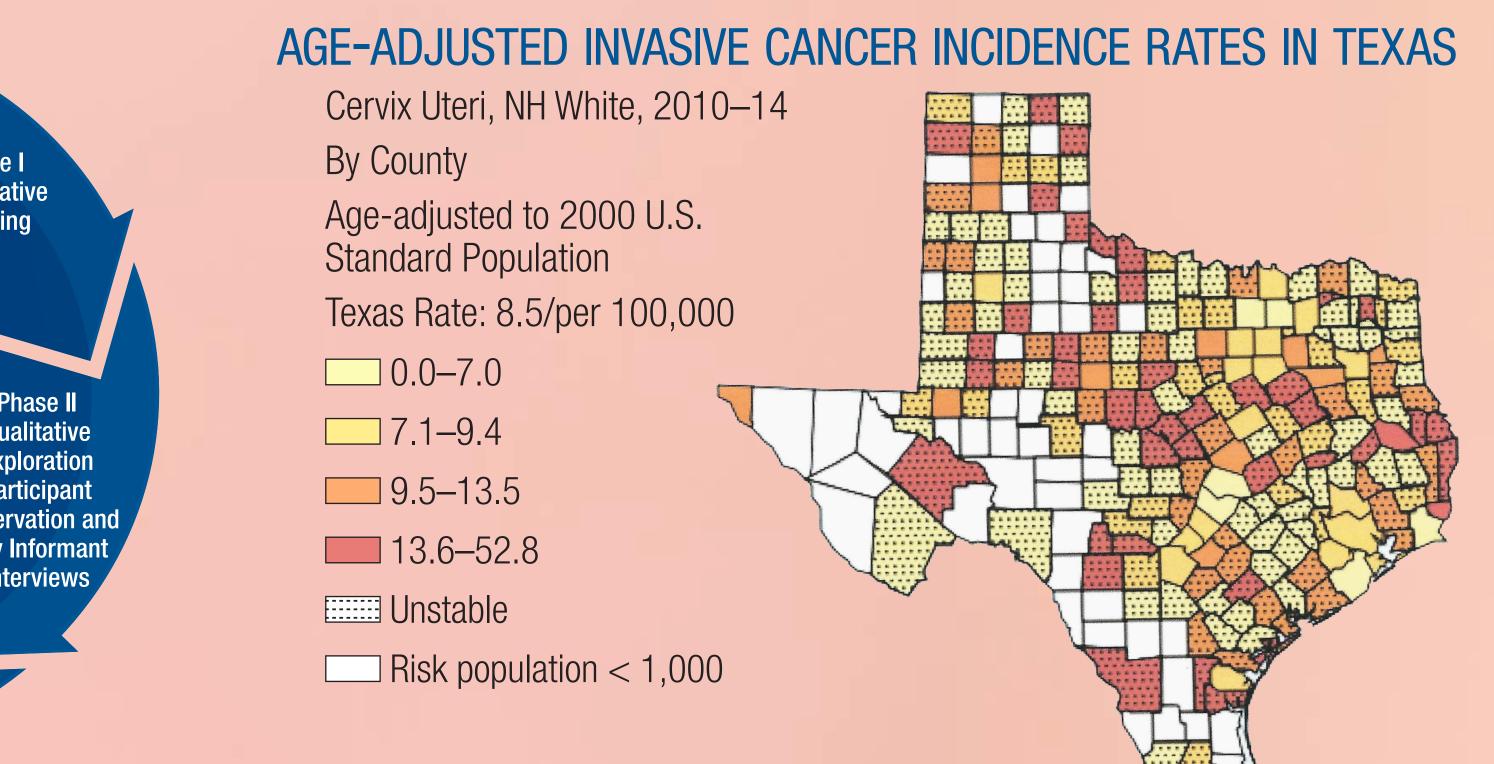
Cervical Cancer Incidence Rate - H

Cervical Cancer Incidence Rate – W

SOURCE: National Cancer Institute, State Cancer Profiles https://statecancerprofiles.cancer.gov/index.html *Mortality Rates are Age-Adjusted, Annual per 100,000 **Incidence Rates are Age-Adjusted, Annual Cases per 100,000

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| oulation | Dallas County 2,618,148 | Tarrant County 2,054,475 | Bexar County 1,958,578 | Texas 28,304,596 |
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| ispanic (2009–13)* | 3.7% | 5.2% | 3.4% | 3.3% |
| Vhite Non-Hispanic (2009–13)* | 3.0% | 2.6% | 1.7% | 2.3% |
| Hispanic (2009–13)** | 13.8% | 13.3% | 11.1% | 11.2% |
| White Non-Hispanic (2009–13) ** | 9.1% | 8.1% | 8.4% | 8.3% |

