General Information

- African Americans tend to smoke fewer cigarettes per day & begin smoking later in life vs. their white peers, but still have a significantly higher smoking-related disease mortality.

- Smoking is responsible for approximately 90% of all lung cancer cases and is also a major cause of heart disease and stroke—these conditions kill more people in the African American community than lung cancer.

- Lung cancer is the 2nd most common cancer in both African American men and women. It kills more African Americans than any other type of cancer.

- Over 75% of African American smokers use menthol cigarettes compared to 23% of white smokers.

- Smoking prevalence rates are lower among African Americans in Florida than nationally.

Additional Information
- Demographics of tobacco use
  http://www.oralcancerfoundation.org/tobacco/demographics_tobacco.htm

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