People with Diabetes
- South Carolina had the 4th highest prevalence of diabetes among adults in the nation in 2013. Approximately 1 in 6 African-Americans in South Carolina has diabetes.
- One-in-four over the age of 65 has diabetes in South Carolina, with additional 12% with pre-diabetes in this growing aging population.
- One in five South Carolinians with less than $15,000 household income has diabetes.

Diabetes Death
- Diabetes is the 7th leading cause of death in South Carolina. In 2013, 1,239 South Carolinians died from diabetes, or three deaths every day. African-American had more than two times higher mortality rate compared to Whites.

Hospitalization and Cost of Diabetes
- In 2013, around 25,000 diabetes hospitalization and ER visits occurred in SC costing more than $367 million.
- The cost of care for all South Carolinians with diabetes estimated to exceed three billion dollars in 2015 and more than four billion dollars by 2020. Less than one quarter (23.7%) of this cost has been paid by private insurance. The public portion will exceed three billion dollars in 2020 (Source CDC Cost Calculator).

Diabetes Risk and Complications
- 4 out of 5 diabetics in South Carolina are overweight or obese.
- 7 out of 10 diabetics have hypertension.
- 2 out of 3 diabetics have high cholesterol
- Cases of end-stage renal disease attributable to diabetes have increased by 50% in the last 10 years.
- 2 out of 5 persons with diabetes have not taken a diabetes self-management class.