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Man UP! event offers free prostate cancer screenings

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Rickey Jackson, along with several other New Orleans Saints legends, is partnering with Tulane Health System for a second year to raise awareness of prostate cancer and provide free PSA screenings to any eligible men.

The “[Man Up! – Geaux Get Screened](#)” event takes place on Saturday, Sept. 9, in Tulane Medical Center’s main lobby from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

In addition to the free screening – a quick blood draw that can help determine one’s risk of prostate cancer – participants will have the opportunity to meet and have pictures taken with former NFL players and to hear Jackson’s personal testimony about his prostate cancer diagnosis and recovery.

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“We want to kick off the NFL season by doing something that can have a real, positive impact on our community,” said Jackson. “The guys I played with know what I faced with my cancer diagnosis, and they were more than willing to help raise awareness and get men to a screening.”

The event will also feature games and prizes for kids, as well as other health information provided by Tulane experts. Participants who receive a PSA screening will also be eligible to win memorabilia signed by former NFL players.

“We are excited we can offer men this quick and relatively painless blood test called a PSA to screen for prostate cancer,” said Dr. Raju Thomas, chair of the [Department of Urology at Tulane Health System](#). “PSA screening is used to pinpoint patients that may be harboring cancer or other conditions such as an enlarged prostate.

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