

Facts about Breast Cancer

When breast cancer is diagnosed early and is still confined to the breast, the five-year survival rate is over 95%

Breast cancer accounts for 30% of all new cancer cases in women

Men develop breast cancer, but 99% of all breast cancers occur in women

Eighty percent of all breast cancers occur in women with no known risk factors.

Based on our knowledge of genetics, about 5-10% of women with breast cancer have a hereditary form of the disease

If screening guidelines were followed and appropriate treatment was received, breast cancer death rates would decrease by 30%

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Community Mammography Partnership

ABC Project



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For Better Health

An opportunity for
Union County women
to improve their health

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- **A**ll women can get breast cancer; however, only 5 percent of all breast cancer cases occur in women younger than age 40.
- **B**eing a woman and getting older are the two greatest risk factors for developing breast cancer.
- **C**ancer of the breast is easier to treat if found early. Mammograms can find breast cancer about 2 years before it can be felt.

The Community Mammogram Partnership offers free educational seminars on breast health awareness for groups. Contact the ABC Project Coordinator at Union County Health Department to schedule a seminar for your group. (704) 296-4820

Free Mammograms are available to women who:

-  Reside in Union County
-  Are between the ages of 40 and 64 (or between the ages of 35 and 39 and have never had a mammogram)
-  Have no private insurance covering mammograms or are not enrolled in Medicare or Medicaid
-  Have not had a mammogram within the past 12 months

**Call (704) 296-4820
for more information**

Appointments are necessary



THE ABC'S OF GOOD BREAST HEALTH FOR WOMEN

- A**nnual mammograms, beginning at age 40, can be life savers
- B**reast self-exams performed monthly (including both looking and feeling for any changes that may occur in your breasts) take only 10 minutes out of your month
- C**heck-ups of your breasts regularly by a physician or trained healthcare provider completes the ABC's of good breast health