BREAST CANCER AWARENESS FACTS



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NAPBC BREAST CENTER
IN ALABAMA

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NATIONAL ACCREDITATION PROGRAM FOR BREAST CENTERS

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1 IN 8 WOMEN in the United States are diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime.

BREAST CANCER



is the second leading cause of CANCER DEATH IN WOMEN, exceeded only by lung cancer.

MILLION BREAST CANCER SURVIVORS live in the United States.

EARLY SCREENING

AND DETECTION

DECREASES MORTALITY

RATES AND LEADS TO

A GREAT RANGE OF

TREATMENT OPTIONS.



UAB COMPREHENSIVE CANCER CENTER

Knowledge that will change your world

Breast Cancer Risk Factors

FAMILY HISTORY AND GENETICS

- Relatives with breast cancer or ovarian cancer at a young age
- Changes in BRCA1 or BRCA2 genes related to breast cancer

LIFESTYLE

- Sedentary lifestyle & inactivity
- Being overweight after menopause
- Smoking
- Drinking more than 2 drinks per day

MENSTRUATION

- Starting your period before age 12
- Starting menopause after age 55

MOTHERHOOD

- Having children after age 35 or never having children
- Not breastfeeding your babies

HORMONES

 Some types of hormone replacement therapy (HRT) increase your risk for breast cancer. Ask your doctor if HRT is necessary.

OTHER RISK FACTORS

- Getting older
- Radiation treatment to the chest area
- Breast cancer or certain other breast problems in the past