

## What Has Breast Cancer Awareness Accomplished?



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## What we'll be talking about

- History of Breast Cancer Awareness
- How common is breast cancer?
- What is breast cancer?
- What causes it?
- What are the risk factors?
- Can breast cancer be prevented?
- Tests to find breast cancer early
- Recommendations for early detection
- What you can do
- How is Georgia DPH helping?



## A Brief History Past



- History of shame and no support
- 1974 First Lady Betty Ford publically announced undergoing a mastectomy for breast cancer
- 1985 was the 1<sup>st</sup> organized effort to bring widespread attention



## A Brief History Present



- Breast cancer awareness and advocacy
- Breast Cancer Culture
- Social Progress
- Medical Progress
  - Education: screening guidelines, risk factors, treatment options



## **Goals of Breast Cancer Awareness:**

- Reduce the stigma of Breast Cancer through education on prevention, symptoms and treatment
- Greater knowledge will lead to earlier detection of breast cancer and long-term survival rates
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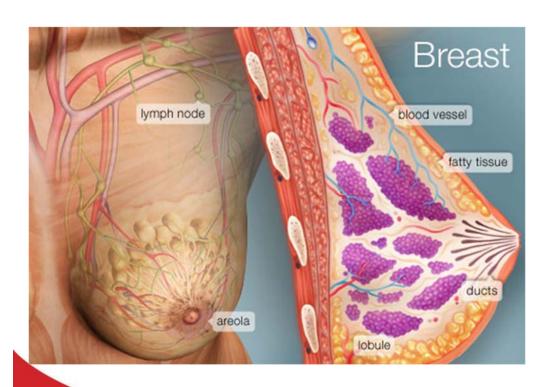
#### **How Common is Breast Cancer?**

- ❖ Most common cancer among US women, except for skin cancer.
- ❖ 2<sup>nd</sup> leading cause of cancer-related death in US women
- ❖ About 1 in 8 (12%) women in the US will develop invasive breast cancer during their lifetime. About 1% of men will develop it.

#### For 2016:

- About 246,660 new cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed
- About 61,000 new cases of carcinoma in situ (CIS) will be diagnosed
- About 40,450 women will die from breast cancer

## **Breast Cancer**



#### What is Breast Cancer?

- Tissue growing out of control
- Lobule- milk-producing glands
- Ducts- tubes that carry the milk from the lobes to the nipples

## **Types of Breast Cancers**

#### **Ductal Carcinoma in Situ or DCIS**

- DCIS found in lining of cells of ducts
- Usually normal breast exam; often found on biopsy for another problem
- Considered a very early form of breast cancer: stage 0

#### **Lobular Carcinoma in Situ or LCIS**

- Non-invasive; found in cells of lobes
- Usually normal breast exam
- More often found in both breasts than other types of breast cancer
- Considered a risk factor for invasive breast cancer

## **Types of Breast Cancer cont'd**

## Invasive (or infiltrating) Ductal Carcinoma or IDC

- Most common type of breast cancer; starts in milk ducts
- May palpate a lump- abnormal breast exam

## Invasive (or infiltrating) Lobular Carcinoma or ILC

- Starts in the mild-producing glands (lobules)
- May be harder to detect by a mammogram

## **Inflammatory** Breast Cancer

- Uncommon, often mistaken for an infection; no lump; skin changes
- Higher chance of spreading

#### **Causes of Breast Cancer**

- We do not know the cause of most breast cancers
- Most likely cause is related to changes in the genetic material (DNA) in our cells
- DNA changes are often related to our lifestyle, but some can be due to age and other factors

#### **Know Your Risk Factors**

## **Cannot be changed**

- Gender
- Age
- Dense breast tissue
- Family history and genetics
- Race and ethnicity
- Personal history- income, education
- LCIS
- Starting menstruation before age 12
- Going through menopause after age 55
- Age of 1<sup>st</sup> baby, breastfeeding etc

### **Know Your Risk Factors cont'd**

## **Lifestyle-related Risk factors**

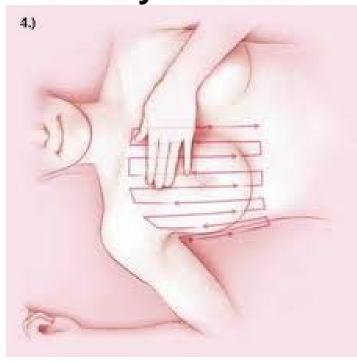
- Being overweight or obese
- Physical activity
- Drinking alcohol
- Smoking
- HRT; BCP and Risk-reducing medications
- Radiation and toxin exposures

https://www.cancer.gov/bcrisktool/

## Can breast cancer be found early? The Importance of Screening

- 1. Self breast exam (SBE)- look for changes
- Perform monthly SBE 4-6 days after menses using the Vertical or California Method
- Abnormal breast signs and symptoms
  - Lump/bump, swelling, nipple retraction,
  - nipple discharge, skin dimpling
- 2. Clinical breast exam (CBE)

## **Know your breasts**



## Can breast cancer be found early cont'd?

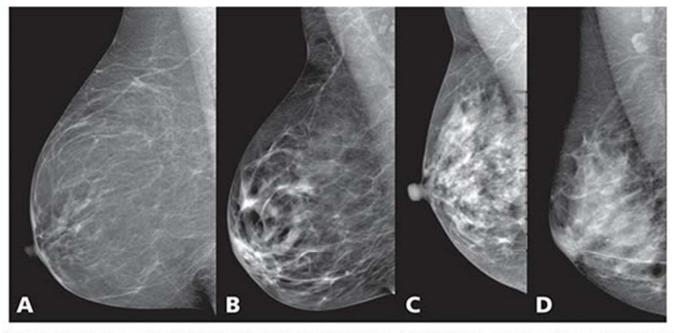


Figure 1 Representations of the 4 Breast Imaging Reporting and Data System (BI-RADS) breast density qualitative and quantitative assessments. A) BI-RADS 1: almost entirely fat; B) BI-RADS 2: scattered fibroglandular densities; C) BI-RADS 3: heterogenously dense; and D) BI-RADS 4: extremely dense.

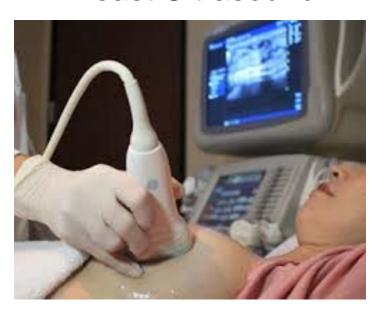
Mammograms showing levels of breast density

## **Mammograms Reduce Mortality**

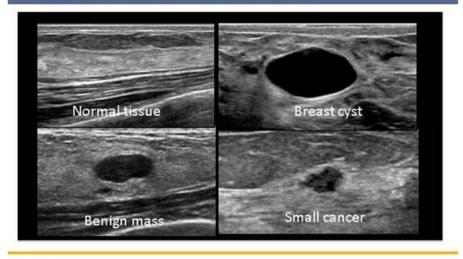
| Develop Breast<br>Cancer |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| 60/100,000               |  |
| 120/100,000              |  |
| 190/100,000              |  |
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## Can breast cancer be found early cont'd?

#### **Breast Ultrasound**



#### High Resolution Ultrasound

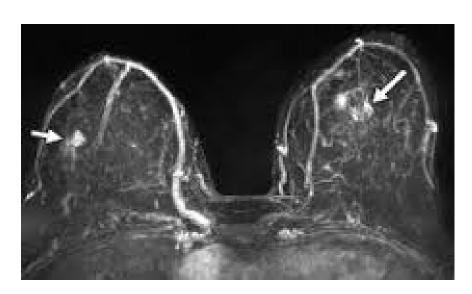


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#### **Breast MRI**

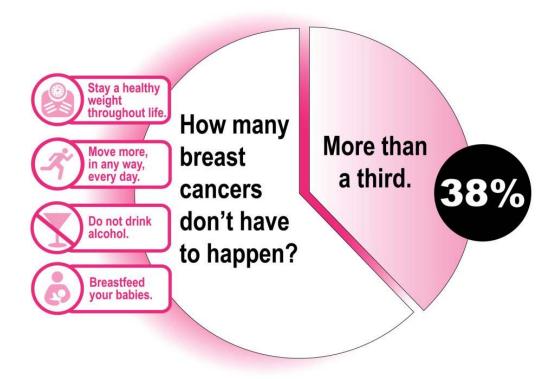




## **Preventing Breast Cancer**

How all women can lower risk:

- Get to stay at healthy weight
- Be physically active
- Limit alcohol use
- Think about limiting or not using hormones
- Chemoprevention



## **How Georgia DPH is Helping**

## **Breast and Cervical Cancer Program (BCCP)**

- Combined state and federal resources
- Implemented statewide through contracts with 18 districts and 3 private provider clinics, mammography and cytology facilities, and American Cancer Society

### **Program Components**

Public and professional education, screening and diagnostics, quality assurance, surveillance, tracking and follow-up, evaluation, community outreach

### 13,835 Georgia Women Served FY2016

## **Qualifications for GA BCCP**

- 1. Natural born female or \*transgender woman
- 2. Ages \*40-64 years
- 3. At or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines
- 4. Uninsured (or under insured)
- 5. Resident of Georgia

## **BCCP Mammogram Recommendations**

| <b>Asymptomatic Women</b> | Georgia BCCP  |
|---------------------------|---|
| < 40 years of age         | *Diagnostic workup for documented findings per policy |
| 40-45 years of age        | Based on patient's history and CBE: every 1-2 years   |
| 45-49 years of age        | Based on patient's history and CBE: every 1-2 years   |
| 50-55 years of age        | Annual mammogram                                      |
| 50-74 years of age        | Annual *(Women age out of BCCP at age 65)             |
| >74 years of age          | Annual  |

## **Georgia Breast Cancer Genomics Project**

- Established by DPH in 2011
- Designed to reduce the burden of Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer by identifying women with BRCA1 and BRCA2 in minorities and low income women
- Education
- Screening
- Risk assessment
- Genomic services



# Screenings and Services in Collaboration with Georgia Department of Public Health

#### Georgia Breast Cancer Genomics Project

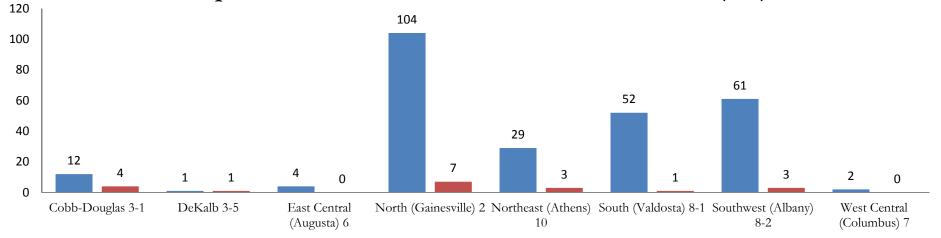
#### **B-RST<sup>TM</sup> GDPH Screening Summary**

Year to Date Number Screened: 819

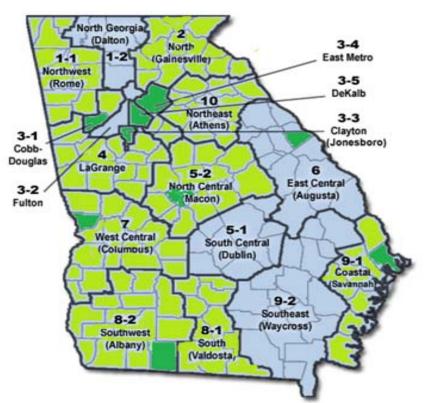
■ Total

Screened Positive. since 2012 inception: 7,512

September 2016 Total: 271 Positive Screens: 19 (7%)



# Map of districts/counties participating in HBOC screenings and use of B-RST<sup>TM</sup> September 30, 2016



Pale green = Thirteen districts with MOU for telehealth; all have been added to screening program. Participating counties have been added by District starting in July 2015.

**Dark Green** = Counties screening before 2015

**Blue** = Districts/counties not participating in screenings

### **Evaluation of Goals**

#### Goals

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#### **Prevention Needs**

- Get to and stay a healthy weight
- Be physically active
- Limit alcohol use
- Think about limiting or not using hormones
- Chemoprevention
- Prevent accumulated effects of risk factors by starting education in 20's-30's

## Thank You!

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