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Breast Cancer

Q: Why should I be concerned about breast cancer?

A: It seems like we've all been affected by breast cancer at some point in our lives, whether we have had it, or have had a family member or friend who's battled it. Every woman has a chance of getting breast cancer. Other than skin cancer, breast cancer is the most common cancer in American women and the disease we fear most. As scared as we

are, you can try to remember that if you find breast cancer early, it can often be treated successfully. Many women have overcome breast cancer and are living life to its fullest!

Q: Where can I learn more about breast cancer?

A: The National Cancer Institute (NCI) is the federal government's authority on breast cancer. Contact them at 800-4-CANCER (800-422-6237) or go to the following web site:
<http://www.cancer.gov/cancerinfo/wyntk/breast> ■

For more information...

You can also find out more about breast cancer by contacting the National Women's Health Information Center (800-994-9662) or the following organizations:

**National Cancer Institute
Cancer Information Service**

Phone: (800) 422-6237

Internet Address: <http://cis.nci.nih.gov>

**National Breast and Cervical Cancer
Early Detection Program**

Phone: (888)-842-6355 (select option 7)

Internet Address:

<http://www.cdc.gov/cancer/nbccedp/index.htm>

American Cancer Society

Phone: (800)-ACS-2345

Internet Address: <http://www.cancer.org>

**Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer
Foundation**

Phone: (800)-462-9273

Internet Address: <http://www.komen.org>

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