

BREAST CANCER SCREENING SAVES LIVES

Breast cancer is the second most common cancer in women.



1 IN 8 WOMEN WILL GET BREAST CANCER IN THEIR LIFETIME.

BLACK WOMEN ARE AT 40% HIGHER RISK OF DYING FROM BREAST CANCER THAN WHITE WOMEN.

The science is in—final recommendation will save more lives.



ALL WOMEN SHOULD GET SCREENED FOR BREAST CANCER EVERY OTHER YEAR, STARTING AT AGE 40.

40

19%

19% MORE LIVES COULD BE SAVED BY STARTING TO SCREEN ALL WOMEN AT AGE 40.

“ More women in their 40s have been getting breast cancer, with rates increasing about 2% each year. By starting to screen all women at age 40, we can save nearly 20% more lives from breast cancer. This new approach has even greater potential benefit for Black women, who are much more likely to die from breast cancer. —Wanda Nicholson, M.D., M.P.H., M.B.A., USPSTF Chair ”



MORE scientific research is needed to answer outstanding questions:



HOW BEST TO ADDRESS THE RACIAL & ETHNIC DISPARITIES IN BREAST HEALTH?



HOW CAN ADDITIONAL SCREENING HELP WOMEN WITH DENSE BREASTS STAY HEALTHY?



WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS AND HARMS OF SCREENING WOMEN AGE 75 & OLDER?

Learn more about this final recommendation.
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