# **Be the priority:** Schedule your mammogram TODAY

Among women in New York state, breast cancer is the most common cancer and the second-leading cause of cancer-related death.



An X-ray of the breast that can detect suspicious areas that could be signs of cancer, even when they are too small to feel.

### Mammogram



The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force recommends women ages 40-74 have a mammogram every two years.



Some women need to start getting mammograms earlier or have them done more often.



**Is it dangerous?** The potential benefits of early cancer detection outweigh the risks of a small amount of radiation exposure.

Will it hurt? It can be uncomfortable for some, but the test only takes a few minutes and can save your life.

What if my results are abnormal? About 10 percent of women are called back for further evaluation.

## **Screening saves lives**

It helps to find cancer early, when cancer is easier to treat.





Black women have a 4% lower incidence rate of breast cancer than White women but a 40% higher breast cancer death rate. 89.4% of women survive 5 years or more after being diagnosed with breast cancer in the United States. Get Screened, NY.gov



#### Talk to your health care provider:

- Understand your personal risk of breast cancer.
- Decide together about when to start mammograms and how often to get them.
- Share any concerns or fears you may have.
- Discuss any changes in your breasts, including pain, lumps, new discharge, or redness.

## Schedule your mammogram today.

To find a screening location near you, text "Get Screened" to 81336 (message rates may apply). If you need help finding a doctor, check with your health insurance provider.



