

Hereditary Breast Cancer Screening Event FAQ



Capital Women's Care- October 25th at 5:00pm

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Hereditary Breast Cancer

Approximately 5-10% of breast cancer cases are caused by mutations in the *BRCA1* or *BRCA2* genes. People who carry a mutation in either of these genes have a high risk of developing breast cancer and/or a significantly increased risk of developing a second breast cancer. At this event our healthcare providers will be evaluating the personal and family histories of participating patients and offering genetic testing to those that meet criteria, in an effort to prevent cancers in our community.

Assessing Your Risk

In order to assess your risk of carrying a genetic cancer mutation, our providers may ask you questions about your personal and family history. Knowing your medical history helps us to determine whether you might be an appropriate candidate for genetic testing. Genetic testing can provide an accurate assessment of your risk of developing breast and/or ovarian cancer.

Risk Factors for Hereditary Breast Cancer

Genetic testing for hereditary breast and ovarian cancer with the Myriad myRisk® Hereditary Cancer panel should be considered if:*

You:

- Have had breast cancer at age 50 or younger
- Have had triple negative breast cancer
- Have ever had ovarian cancer
- Are male and have had breast cancer at any age
- Are of Ashkenazi Jewish descent and have a personal or family history of breast, ovarian, prostate or pancreatic cancer

Your Family:

- Has had someone diagnosed with breast cancer before age 50
- Has had someone diagnosed with ovarian cancer at any age
- Has had a male family member diagnosed with breast cancer
- Has three or more family members with breast cancer on the same side of the family
- Has had a previously identified *BRCA1*, *BRCA2* or other mutation in the family

Using Hereditary Cancer Testing to Reduce Your Risk of Breast Cancer

At Capital Women's Care we use hereditary cancer testing to create a personalized risk assessment for each appropriate patient and we care for each patient based off their individual risks. If the test confirms the presence of a genetic mutation then medical management options may help reduce your risk and may either prevent or delay the onset of breast cancer, or detect cancer at an earlier, more treatable stage.

Dr. Gurdian and her team of all women healthcare providers care deeply about their patients and their families. Please join us for this impactful awareness event!

Event Details

Drawing

We will be holding a drawing for a free Apple Watch. Drawing tickets are FREE! You will be handed a ticket at the door. Winning ticket numbers will be called no earlier than 7:30pm.

Food and Drink

Wine & Cheese will be provided for FREE.

Kids

Kids are welcome. We also encourage mothers and daughters to attend together!

Insurance Cards

Please bring a photo ID and a copy of your health insurance cards with you. If you meet with a healthcare provider for genetic testing evaluation you will not be charged for the visit. Myriad Genetic Laboratories is the lab that does the genetic testing. They will run your benefits for the testing and call you with any non-covered service before they start the test.

Results Appointments

If you move forward with genetic testing you will be asked to schedule a results appointment in six weeks with a healthcare providers at Capital Women's Care.

Make an Appointment for Another Day

This night may not fit your schedule or you may need time to think about genetic testing. That is no problem at all! We encourage you to make an appointment with us for another day!

Myriad Genetic Laboratories

Myriad is a leading molecular diagnostic company dedicated to saving lives and improving the quality of life for patients. They are changing the way patients and healthcare professionals view cancer by providing tests that assess a person's risk of developing disease, ensure prompt and accurate disease diagnosis, predict the risk of disease progression, and guide personalized treatment.

To RSVP:

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