Mammography overview

Mammography helps you fight breast diseases through early detection. Often, a mammogram helps detect abnormalities in the breast before you can feel them. Our advanced equipment enhances the ability to detect cancer by offering high-quality images.

Screening mammography

A screening mammogram is an annual exam used to screen for breast cancer in women who are not experiencing symptoms or are following up on a previous breast concern. The American College of Radiology and the American Society of Breast Surgeons recommend women begin their annual breast cancer screenings at age 40.

Diagnostic mammography

A diagnostic mammogram captures targeted images of individual areas in the breast tissue that warrant additional examination. These areas have been evaluated either by your physician or by prior breast imaging.

3D mammograms (tomosynthesis)

3D mammography is a revolutionary tool that can be applied to your screening or diagnostic mammogram. When 3D is part of your mammogram, the X-ray arm sweeps in a slight arc, taking multiple breast images. These images allow the radiologist to look at your breast in 1-millimeter slices, providing greater visibility of the fine details of your breast tissue layers.

What to expect at your mammogram

During all mammography exams, your technologist will position you to image the breast from different angles and compress the breast with a paddle.

Ready to care for you

If you have a breast health condition, our team offers complete care that's tailored to fit your needs. No matter the diagnosis, we're ready to help you get back to Better.

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