



Why Aren't Women Being Told?

Abortion is the Most Preventable Cause of Breast Cancer

- Extensive studies since 1957 document a connection between abortion and breast cancer.
- Eight medical organizations recognize the link between abortion and breast cancer.
- Patrick Carroll (Pension and Population Research Institute) in his study of eight European countries found that abortion is the “best predictor” of future breast cancer rates. *Journal of American Physicians and Surgeons 2007; 12:72-78*
- National Cancer Institute branch chief Louise Brinton, Ph.D., M.P.H. co-authored a study reporting a statistically significant 40% increased risk for women with induced abortions. *Cancer Epidemiology Biomarkers & Prevention 2009;18(4)1157-1166*

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Birth Control Pill and Breast Cancer

- The World Health Organization lists combined oral contraceptives in the highest level of cancer-causing agents (Group 1). “Most combined oral contraceptives are taken orally, but they can also be delivered by injection, transdermal patch or vaginal ring.” *Lancet Oncology 2005;6:552-553*
- A Mayo Clinic meta-analysis found the use of oral contraceptives before a first full term pregnancy increases the risk of pre-menopausal breast cancer by 44%. *Mayo Clinic Proceedings 2006;81(10):1290-1302*
- Two studies in prominent medical journals have strongly linked use of oral contraceptives with the aggressive, deadly, triple-negative breast cancer, which most often affects young women under age 50 and African Americans. *Cancer Research 2010;70(2):575-587 and Cancer Epidemiology Biomarkers & Prevention 2009; 18(4)1157-1166*

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