

## FREE BREAST/CERVICAL CANCER SCREENING

KENTUCKY WOMEN'S CANCER SCREENING PROGRAM

## Welcome!

You met the requirements to be in the Kentucky Women's Cancer Screening Program (KWCSP). Your breast and cervical cancer **screening** tests are free!

During this visit, the nurse will offer other tests important to your health. The nurse will know which ones you should get. Depending on your income, some tests may cost a small fee for which you will be billed. You have the right to refuse any test or exam you do not wish to have.

You can expect *these* screening services to be completely FREE:

- A breast or cervical cancer screening, including clinical breast exam if you want one
  - A screening mammogram and, if needed, a screening MRI
  - o A screening Pap and/or HPV test

## There is a difference in a screening visit and a diagnostic visit

When someone is *screened* for a disease it means tests are being done to look for that disease, even though the person feels fine. A person with no symptoms will have a screening visit.

When someone is having symptoms of breast or cervical cancer like a lump, pain, or abnormal bleeding, the visit will not be a screening visit. Instead, the visit is to help find out the cause of the symptoms. Tests done to find out the causes of symptoms are called diagnostic tests. By having these tests someone might learn their symptoms are caused by an illness that needs to be treated. Even if you have to pay a small fee for these diagnostic tests, your fee will be on a sliding scale, based on your income.

If your tests show a breast or cervical pre-cancer or cancer that needs to be treated, the staff here will help you apply to the Breast and Cervical Cancer Treatment Program (BCCTP). This program helps pay for your treatment. The treatment program is only available to women who were screened or diagnosed through the KWCSP!

If you have any questions, please ask someone at the front desk or the nurse.

We are so glad you are here today to take care of a very important person, YOU!