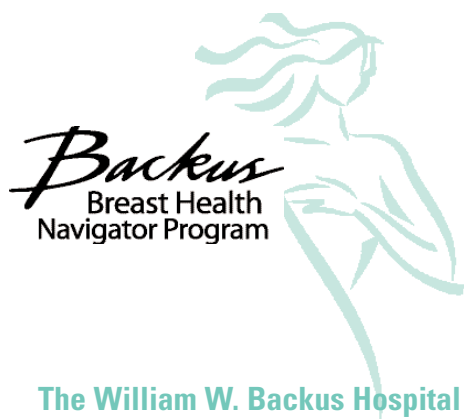


# When You Have A Suspicious Breast Screening

Our Breast Health Patient Navigator  
Program Can Guide You

Information :: Access :: Resources :: Treatment :: Support  
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***“I Have A Suspicious  
Breast Screening.  
What Do I Do Next?”***

*It is important to realize  
that a suspicious finding  
is NOT a breast cancer  
diagnosis.*

*However, further diagnostic  
tests or procedures are  
necessary to rule out the  
possibility of cancer.*

Backus Hospital created a Breast Health Patient Navigator Program because we care about women and their health care needs.

**The purpose of a breast health patient navigator is to:**

- Provide education
- Eliminate barriers to care
- Ensure timely delivery of services and decrease wait time from diagnosis to treatment.

**Common barriers to care:**

- Financial and economic
- Cultural
- Transportation
- Communication and language
- Bias based on race or age
- Fear

**The Breast Health Navigator can:**

- Guide you through the health care system
- Help you fill out insurance forms
- Help you find ways to pay for health care if you don't have insurance
- Direct you to health care services for further diagnosis and treatment
- Direct you to local resources and support
- Help you keep track of and find ways to get to your appointments
- Help you get your questions answered
- Help you find more information on breast health care

**To reach the Breast Health Patient Navigator,  
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