Prevention is a simple step

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Breast cancer screening

What is it?

It is a free breast cancer screening programme that supports you from the moment you accept your invitation through to diagnosis and, if needed, treatment of any abnormality found.

The entire screening pathway is covered by the Regional Health Service. You do not need a doctor's referral.

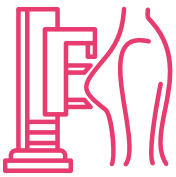
Who is it for?

Women aged 45 to 74 who are resident or domiciled in the Veneto region

How often?

Every two years, with an X-ray examination called a mammogram.

How does it work?



The mammogram takes just a few minutes.
The pressure on your breast may feel a little uncomfortable, but it only lasts a moment.
Two radiologists review the images independently.
Look out for any symptoms that develop between screening appointments, such as a lump, breast pain, nipple discharge or a change in the shape of your breast.
Tell your GP if you notice any of these; do not wait for your next screening invitation.

The screening pathway

- You will receive an invitation by post and in your Electronic Health Record.
- You can also change your appointment through your Electronic Health Record.
- ***If your mammogram shows no abnormalities,*** you will receive a letter from your local health authority (ULSS). You will receive your next screening invitation two years later.
- ***If your mammogram shows something that needs checking***, your local health authority (ULSS) will contact you and invite you for further tests

An abnormal mammogram result does not mean you have cancer. It means further tests are needed. That's why it's important to have any further tests you are offered.

Why have a mammogram?

Screening can detect breast cancer when it is still small. Finding it early can make treatment easier, reduce its impact and improve the chances of recovery.

TAKING PART IN CANCER SCREENING IS A SIMPLE STEP

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REQUEST AN APPOINTMENT:

Contact your local health authority (ULSS) through the **regional website**

Or visit your Electronic Health Record

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