ADVANCED BREAST CANCER: BEFORE MENOPAUSE

Premenopausal breast cancer is a different and more aggressive disease than postmenopausal breast cancer and is the leading cause of cancer death in women 20-59 years old.1,2



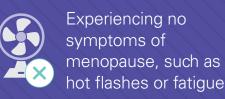
~1 in 7 women

with advanced breast cancer (ABC) is age 50 or younger³

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE PREMENOPAUSAL?





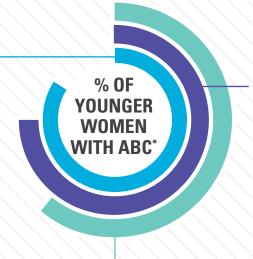


UNIQUE CHALLENGES FOR YOUNGER WOMEN



84%

actively seek out information about their disease on their own. This may be due to feeling overwhelmed by the diagnosis and struggling to accept their prognosis4





loss of income due to their diagnosis' interference to work4



have experienced a negative impact on their attitude, which is likely due to concerns about body image and the possibility of early menopause and sexual dysfunction brought on by treatment⁴



Many young women are raising small children while on treatment and may have subsequent side effects or concerns about whether pregnancy is safe or even possible



For more information on ABC, please visit advancedbreastcancercommunity.org

* "Younger women" refers to women under 50 years old.

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