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Monthly Newsletter - February 2022

## CANCER PREVENTION









#### **February is National Cancer Prevention Month**

In honor of cancer prevention, we have put together **four videos** highlighting some of the key factors you need to make a part of your life to regain your health, stay healthy and feel your best.

<u>Click here</u> to watch our cancer prevention videos on our YouTube channel. These videos focus on how environmental factors, nutrition and exercise and smoking and alcohol can increase your cancer risk and ways to help prevent cancer by adopting a healthy lifestyle.



#### **February is Black History Month**

African American women on Long Island experience more late-stage diagnoses of breast cancer and the highest mortality rates. The Adelphi NY Statewide Breast Cancer Hotline & Support Program is committed to eliminating these disparities by providing access to information, mammography screening, and support to improve breast cancer outcomes for Black women in our communities. Through our project **Sisters United In Health**, we reach, educate, empower, and provide referrals for free or low-cost mammograms. If you need a **mammogram** but don't know how to obtain one or do not have health insurance **contact us at 516 877.4331**.

"It was very early breast cancer, but it was breast cancer. How different the odds could have been had I gambled with my health and passed up my yearly mammogram, as so many women do—which is why I bared all, and shared my personal journey..." - Pat Battle



#### **Upcoming Forum**

**Living Your Best Self:** An Intimate Discussion About Breast Reconstruction and Emotional Healing for Breast Cancer Patients and Survivors



#### This forum will be held online on zoom.

- \*Spanish translation services will be available.
- \*Servicios de traducción al español estarán disponibles.



**Date:** March 16, 2022

**Time:** 6:00 - 7:30 pm. on Zoom

**SAVE THE DATE!** Registration and details coming soon!

## If you have missed any of our past forums, please visit our YouTube channel to watch the videos.

#### Our 2022 forums are sponsored by

The Junior Coalition of the Manhasset Women's Coalition Against Breast Cancer, and Northwell Health Cancer Institute.

#### **Support Groups**

ALL COUNSELING AND SUPPORT GROUPS ARE BEING OFFERED OVER THE PHONE AND ONLINE



**<u>Click here</u>** to see our support group schedule.

**<u>Click here</u>** to download our support group postcard.

For more information, questions and to register for a support group, call **800-877-8077** or <a href="mailto:breakers.">breastcancerhotline@adelphi.edu</a>. Pre-registration is required. **All groups are facilitated by a licensed social worker or master level social work intern.** 

These groups are provided by the Adelphi Breast Cancer Program and supported by grants from the Alpern Family Foundation, Kat's Ribbon of Hope, Marilyn Lichtman Foundation, the Mother Cabrini Health Foundation, New York State and Pink Aid.

#### **ONLINE CREATIVE ARTS WORKSHOPS**

Our (4) week creative arts workshops empower participants to express themselves using art. This therapeutic program offers a safe place to communicate your thoughts, feelings, concerns, problems, hopes and dreams. Our professional staff guides you through different exercises and discussions helping you to find ways to gain personal insight and develop new coping skills.

For information on future workshops, please call **Angela M. Papalia, LMSW at (516) 877-4329** or email apapalia@adelphi.edu.

Our creative arts workshops are facilitated by **Angela M. Papalia, LMSW**, Assistant Director for the Adelphi Breast Cancer Program along with **Kimberly Newman, BFA**, Communications and Marketing Coordinator for the Adelphi Breast Cancer Program.

All groups are free but registration is required.

#### **WEEKLY SUPPORT GROUPS**

#### General Support Group

#### **Tuesdays**

Women who are recently diagnosed with breast cancer will have the opportunity to meet with others in similar situations.

#### Recurrence Support Group

#### **Mondays**

Women who have experienced a recurrence with breast cancer will have the opportunity to meet with others in similar situations.

#### **BI-WEEKLY GROUPS**

#### Under 40, Young Women's Group

#### **Tuesdays**

Women under the age of 40 who are diagnosed with breast cancer have particular needs. This support group will focus on those concerns while allowing the members to share their feelings in a safe supportive environment.

#### • Support for Stage 4 Breast Cancer

#### **Thursdays**

Meet with other women who are diagnosed with Stage 4 Metastatic Breast Cancer.

#### **Support Groups for Spanish speaking women**

#### Cafecito

#### Twice Monthly – Call Angela Papalia, LMSW (516) 877-4329.

Cafecito is a Spanish language support group for long-term survivors of breast cancer.

#### **Cafecito**

#### Dos veces al mes – Llame a Angela Papalia, LMSW (516) 877-4329.

Cafecito es un grupo de apoyo en español para sobrevivientes de cáncer de mama a largo plazo.

#### **Para Nuestro Bienestar**

#### Thursdays – Call Adriana Valencia, LMSW (516) 877-4371.

Para Nuestro Bienestar is a Spanish language support group for newly diagnosed women with breast cancer. If you have been diagnosed within the last 18 months, this group offers a safe and confidential space where we can help you identify, accept and express the feelings you may be experiencing with your diagnosis.

#### **Para Nuestro Bienestar**

#### Jueves- Llame a Adriana Valencia, LMSW (516) 877-4371.

Para Nuestro Bienestar es un grupo de apoyo en español para mujeres recién diagnosticadas con cáncer de mama. Si ha sido diagnosticado en los últimos 18 meses, este grupo ofrece un espacio seguro y confidencial donde podemos ayudarle a identificar, aceptar y expresar los sentimientos que pueda estar experimentando con su diagnóstico.

#### **Volunteers Needed**

**Breast Cancer Survivors Sought for Hotline** 

The Adelphi NY Statewide Breast Cancer Hotline & Support Program welcomes both women and men who have had breast cancer to become hotline volunteers. Our February volunteer training is full. However, if you are interested in volunteering and would like to be a part of our next training, please contact:

Nina Foley, LMSW, Volunteer and Hotline Coordinator

**Phone:** 516.877.4315 **Email:** Nfoley@adelphi.edu



#### **Sisters United in Health**

An initiative for breast health information

#### WE CAN...

- Help you get a free or low-cost mammogram
   REGARDLESS OF YOUR HEALTH INSURANCE OR IMMIGRATION STATUS.
- Answer your breast health and breast cancer questions and provide educational materials.
- Provide breast health workshops at no cost.
- Available in English and Spanish.

Like the **Sisters United in Health** facebook page.

Click here for more information or call Sisters United in Health at 800.559.6348.

**Download** the Sisters United in Health workshop flyer.







#### **News and Press Releases**

**Program Highlights** 



### **Breast Cancer Survivors Sought for Hotline Training Begins February 8**

The Adelphi NY Statewide Breast Cancer Hotline & Support Program seeks women and men who have had breast cancer to become hotline volunteers.

**Click here** to read the article

#### **Information to Stay Healthy**

In honor of February's Cancer Prevention Month, the Adelphi NY Statewide Breast Cancer Program created **4 free short educational videos** for organizations and individuals to review and share on their social media pages.

**Click here** to read the article



#### **Research Opportunites**

## Optional Breast Cancer Patient Survey About Preferences for Physician-Driven Referrals to Therapy

This brief multiple-choice survey is open to breast cancer patients/survivors. Dr. Elisabeth Counselman Carpenter, PhD, LCSW and Joyce Williams (survivor advocate, founder and owner of Keepers of the Flame®) are interested in determining if physician driven referrals to therapy would aid patients' resilience, ability to heal, and their likelihood of completing treatment.

#### You're eligible to participate if

- 1. You've ever been diagnosed with breast cancer
- 2. You're 21 years of age or older

Please **click here** to complete the survey.

## The STOP breast cancer clinical trial – <u>Stony Brook Medicine</u> Are you Postmenopausal? Do you have Dense Breasts?

Research suggests that women with dense breasts are more likely to develop breast cancer. This

study will test if anti-inflammatory drugs are able to reduce breast density and help us understand why breast density is linked to breast cancer development. This study is sponsored by the  $\underline{\text{National}}$  Cancer Institute.

If interested, please contact us at **(631) SB-Trial** (728-7425) or <u>CancerClinicalTrials@stonybrookmedicine.edu</u>

Please **click here** to see the flyer.

**Do you have breast cancer or are you a survivor? Do you live in Nassau County, NY?** Students from Molloy College are conducting a research project. This study plans to examine the connection between breast cancer diagnosis and treatment in relation to COVID-19.

If you currently have Breast Cancer are a Survivor or are in Remission, we invite you to participate in an anonymous 5 -15 minute survey about your experience with Breast Cancer during COVID-19. **Why Complete The Survey?** Your responses will help the scientific community improve breast cancer care during the COVID-19 Pandemic?

#### PLEASE CLICK THE APPROPRIATE SURVEY LINK BELOW

Patients/Currently Undergoing Treatment: <a href="https://forms.gle/xPveAXvtEGESZS3M7">https://forms.gle/xPveAXvtEGESZS3M7</a> In Remission: <a href="https://forms.gle/22vmcWo37XWEQqok7">https://forms.gle/22vmcWo37XWEQqok7</a>

If you have any questions, please email molloyresearch2021@gmail.com



#### **Happy Birthday**

To all our volunteers with a FEBRUARY birthday

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#### DONATE

<u>Click here</u> to help support the **Adelphi Breast Cancer Program**. Without funding, our program will no longer be able to provide life-saving services to those who are truly in need. Please make a tax-deductible donation today, so that we may be there for the breast cancer community.

#### **Facebook**

#### **FACEBOOK FRAMES**

Show your support for the Adelphi Breast Cancer Program.



You can now add a frame to your profile picture to show your support for the Adelphi Breast Cancer Program.

Visit **facebook.com/profilepicframes** and type Adelphi Breast Cancer Program into the search. We have designed (4) options for you to choose from.

#### **FACEBOOK FUNDRAISERS**

Did you know that you can host a fundraiser through your Facebook page to benefit our program? All funds raised through Facebook go directly to our program.

#### **Ideas for Facebook Fundraisers:**

Birthday's, Anniversary's, Holiday Gifts, Runs, Bike Rides, Walks, Pink Ribbon, etc.

Learn how you can setup your own facebook fundraiser to benefit the Adelphi Breast Cancer Program.

**Click here** to watch a video with step by step instructions.

#### **Let's Stay In Touch**

Contact our Hotline, Visit our Website, Follow us on Social Media

Follow us on Social Media and online to see photos of our wonderful volunteers at our outreach events, stay up-to-date on programs, forums and support groups. Read news articles and new studies on breast cancer, read inspiring stories from our volunteers, watch our events live on facebook and see the wonderful people and businesses that support us.

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#### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

facebook, twitter, pinterest, youtube, instagram

#### WEBSITE

breast-cancer.adelphi.edu

#### **ONLINE CHAT**

Did you know we have a **LIVE CHAT** feature on our website. Chat with a breast cancer survivor or social worker.

#### HOTLINE

800.877.8077 - We are here for you 365 days a year!

#### Thank you to all our sponsors

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