

# The Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention and Treatment (BCCPT) Program

#### Overview

The Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention and Treatment (BCCPT) program is a health care program administered by the Department of Human Services (DHS). It offers full health care coverage to individuals needing treatment for breast or cervical cancer, or a pre-cancerous condition of the breast or cervix.

Individuals who qualify for BCCPT can even receive free health care for medical needs unrelated to a breast or cervical cancer diagnosis, throughout the course of treatment for cancer or a precancerous condition of the breast or cervix.

## Eligibility

To qualify for the BCCPT program, you must:

- Be screened and diagnosed with breast cancer, cervical cancer, or a precancerous condition of the breast or cervix,
- Be uninsured or have no creditable health insurance,
- Be under age 65,
- Be a U.S. citizen or lawfully present non-citizen,
- Be a Pennsylvania resident, and
- Provide or apply for a social security number

There is no income or resource limit for the BCCPT program.

Creditable coverage is defined under section 2701(c) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300gg(c)). All healthcare coverage must be reviewed to determine if there is enough insurance to cover all the medical services for breast and cervical cancer, including precancerous conditions of the breast or cervix. Family Planning Services (PSF) is not considered creditable coverage when determining eligibility for BCCPT.

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## How to Apply

There are two ways to apply for the BCCPT program:

 Be screened and/or diagnosed with cancer through a <u>Pennsylvania Breast & Cervical Cancer</u> <u>Early Detection Program (PA-BCCEDP)</u> provider, who then completes the BCCPT application with you and submits it on your behalf.

#### <u>or</u>

- 2. Any medical provider can complete the BCCPT application and fax the completed form to the PA-BCCEDP Case Management Team at Adagio Health at 412-201-4702. Download the application form below:
  - PA 600 B (English) BCCPT Application
  - PA 600 B-S (Spanish) BCCPT Application

PA-BCCEDP, formerly called the HealthyWoman Program, is a program of the PA Department of Health that provides free mammograms, clinical breast and pelvic exams, pap tests, and follow-up diagnostic tests for an abnormal screening result.

Call 1-800-215-7494 to see if you qualify for PA-BCCEDP and to find a provider in your area. Learn more at <u>www.BreastandCervicalScreening.</u> <u>health.pa.gov</u>.

Individuals may be able to get recent past medical bills covered by BCCPT by applying for retroactive BCCPT coverage. Retroactive coverage is available for up to three months prior to the date of application, but can be no earlier than the start date of the treatment for breast or cervical cancer, or a pre-cancerous condition of the breast or cervix.

## For More Information & Help

For additional information about the BCCPT program, visit the DHS <u>BCCPT website</u>.

If you have questions about getting health coverage for breast or cervical cancer treatment, or if an application for health coverage is denied or delayed more than 30 days, call PHLP's Helpline at 1-800-274-3258.

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