



Breast Cancer Awareness Toolkit

Stay Informed. Stay Connected.

In honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, this toolkit provides important information and actionable steps you can take right now. Breast cancer affects **millions of families** each year, and early detection is one of the most effective ways to save lives. With advancements in policy and screening technology, now is the time to take action and ensure every woman has access to the care she deserves.

Background and Current Policies:

- Approximately **1 in 8 women** will be diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime, affecting thousands of Americans each year.
- **Half of women over the age of 40** in the United States have dense breast tissue, which can make it harder to detect cancer on mammograms. Dense tissue not only complicates screening but also increases the risk of developing breast cancer.
- In September 2024, the [FDA](#) issued a national standard requiring all mammography reports to include an assessment of breast density, enhancing early detection by ensuring women are informed of this important risk factor.
- Currently, **39 states and Washington, DC** have reporting requirements in place.

The Find It Early Act:

- The Find It Early Act ([US HR 3086](#)) would require insurers to cover advanced breast imaging – at no out-of-pocket cost – for women with dense breast tissue following a mammogram.
- This bill addresses insurance coverage gaps, ensuring all women receive consistent access to critical breast imaging services, no matter their state of residence.

Resources:

- [State Law Map](#) – Review current breast density reporting laws in your state.
- [Society of Breast Imaging](#) – Explore resources and guidelines for breast imaging best practices.
- Listen to our latest episode of [Zotec Answers](#) featuring Dr. Jay Patel, Breast Imaging Section Head for Quantum Radiology, as he discusses the latest developments on the Find It Early Act and how it impacts women's health.
- Stay informed with our [A to ZPAC](#) blog posts for continued updates.

Take Action Today!

- [Take action today](#) to ensure every woman receives the breast healthcare she needs – urge Congress to pass the Find It Early Act!
- Visit our [Election Center](#) to check your voter registration, see who is on your ballot, and find your polling place.

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