EARLY versus ADVANCED BREAST CANCER

Be counted at advancedbreastcancercommunity.org/countus to show your support.

Although breast cancer is one of the most visible and supported diseases in the world, the majority of public focus goes toward prevention, early detection and survival. However, because there is no cure for metastatic or advanced breast cancer, the estimated 250,000 women living with the disease often feel left out of these conversations.

1. 1 in 8 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in her lifetime. Of women diagnosed with early stage breast cancer, 30% will develop metastatic disease.

2. Stage 0 Breast Cancer



STAGE 0

Stage 4 Breast Cancer



3. Less than 3% of all women will die from any stage of breast cancer. Just 15% of women with advanced stage breast cancer will survive past five years.





4. More than half of early stage breast cancer cases will not reoccur. Nearly all women with advanced breast cancer will be on treatment for life.





5. 71% of women who complete therapy for their early stage breast cancer consider themselves a survivor. 40% of women living with advanced stage breast cancer feel isolated from the early stage community.



6. Roughly 50% of women with early stage breast cancer worry about their cancer coming back.

More than 50% of women living with advanced stage breast cancer worry about caring for their families.





7. 98% of breast cancer research funding goes toward early stage disease.

Only 2% of breast cancer research funding goes toward advanced stage disease.



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