

2009 Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention & Treatment Act Fact Sheet

Alabama Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program (ABCCEDP)

- Provides free breast and cervical cancer screening services to eligible women who are enrolled in the program by a contracted healthcare provider.
- There are over 400 contracted providers which include primary care providers, surgeons, hospitals, radiologists, laboratories and others.
- Free services include a Pap smear, pelvic exam, clinical breast exam, mammogram, and diagnostic services if indicated.

ABCCEDP Eligibility Criteria

- Female
- Income at or below 200% of the poverty level
- No insurance or underinsured. *Underinsured is insurance that does not cover cancer screening (i.e. mammograms) or has a high deductible that the woman is unable to pay.*
- Age criteria apply

2009 Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention and Treatment Act (HB 147)

- Formerly the Alabama Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention and Treatment Act of 2000
- A woman enrolled in ABCCEDP diagnosed with breast or cervical cancer is eligible for treatment through Medicaid. Medicaid will only provide treatment for documented citizens and residents of Alabama.
- Effective July 1, 2009, a woman not enrolled in ABCCEDP, who meets ABCCEDP eligibility criteria, diagnosed with breast and cervical cancer is eligible for treatment through Medicaid. Medicaid will only provide treatment for documented citizens and residents of Alabama.
- A woman not enrolled in the program must contact ABCCEDP before treatment is initiated. The program will then verify the eligibility criteria, diagnosis and citizenship and refer the woman to Medicaid.
- A breast or cervical cancer diagnosis must be obtained through breast biopsy or biopsy with colposcopy.

Contact Information

- For information regarding free breast and cervical cancer screening:
Call 1-877-252-3324
- To refer a woman who meets eligibility criteria, who is not enrolled in ABCCEDP, who has been diagnosed with breast or cervical cancer:
Call 334-206-6227