

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT OVARIAN CANCER

RISK FACTORS

Many factors can increase or decrease a woman's risk of developing ovarian cancer.

INCREASES RISK



FAMILY HISTORY OF BREAST, OVARIAN OR COLON CANCER



GENETIC MUTATIONS, LIKE BRCA



POST-MENOPAUSAL



INCREASED AGE

DECREASES RISK



PREGNANCY



BREASTFEEDING



ORAL CONTRACEPTIVE USE

#1 CAUSE OF GYNECOLOGIC CANCER DEATHS

#5 CAUSE OF CANCER-RELATED DEATH IN WOMEN

#11 MOST COMMON CANCER IN WOMEN

EVERY 24 MINUTES



another woman is diagnosed with ovarian cancer in the U.S.

21,750 NEW CASES

will be diagnosed this year

13,940 WOMEN

will die this year

1 in 78

WOMEN

will develop ovarian cancer in her lifetime



SURVIVAL RATES

○ MORTALITY ○ SURVIVAL

YEAR 5



48%

YEAR 10



35%



CURRENTLY THERE IS **NO EARLY DETECTION** TEST FOR OVARIAN CANCER



A PAP TEST **WILL NOT DETECT** OVARIAN CANCER

Most ovarian cancer cases are diagnosed when the disease is advanced.

ONLY 15% of cases are diagnosed in the early stages.

KNOW THE SYMPTOMS



BLOATING



DIFFICULTY EATING



PELVIC / ABDOMINAL PAIN



URINARY FREQUENCY

If these symptoms occur for **MORE THAN 2 WEEKS** and these symptoms are new or unusual for you, see a gynecologist and ask about ovarian cancer. Research shows that seeing a gynecologic oncologist for surgery and treatment significantly improves outcomes.