Every Woman Matters (EWM) within the Women’s and Men’s Health Program at the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (NDHHS) is in its 29th year of implementing breast and cervical cancer screening across the state of Nebraska. Funding is awarded by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

In addition to breast and cervical cancer screenings, Nebraska also offers cardiovascular and diabetes screening as well as colon cancer screening.

Since 1991, Every Woman Matters has provided over 280,000 Pap test and Mammograms

Approximately 517 health care clinics/offices across the state perform services.

Women eligible for screening services through Every Woman Matters are 40-64 years of age, fall within the program’s income guidelines and are not Medicaid beneficiaries nor do they have adequate insurance coverage. The income guidelines are 225% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

Between January 2014 and December 2019, more than 26,359 clients were enrolled in the program. 65% (17,187) were first time screens.

Of the 26,359 enrolled during the last 5 years:
- 13,107 clients were enrolled in the State Pap Plus Program (Program for women <40 years of age)
- 4,144 clients are currently Ineligible
- 847 were enrolled for diagnostic services
- 84% of program participants are at or below 100% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (22,238)
- 91% have no insurance (23,941)

TESTS PERFORMED (January 2014 – December 2019)

- 5,364 mammograms
  - 22% abnormal mammograms
    - 6 Atypical Hyperplasia
    - 214 Invasive Cancer
    - 39 Ductal Carcinoma In Situ
    - 4 Lobular Carcinoma In Situ
- 7,177 Pap Smears
  - 16% abnormal Pap tests
    - 23 cervical cancers
    - 19 Invasive Cervical Carcinoma

DEMOGRAPHICS*

- 2% Asian Pac
- 15% Black
- 3% Native
- 14% Native
- 66% White
- 3% Unknown

*18% report Hispanic
*Demographic data is self-reported.