

# Nebraska Women’s & Men’s Health Programs

## Breast & Cervical Cancer Screening:

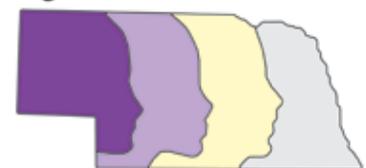
- The Every Woman Matters (EWM) Program is a federally funded program that pays for office visits with associated Pap tests, pelvic exams, clinical breast exams and lab fees. Age appropriate mammography is also covered as well as a limited number of diagnostic tests. The program provides screening services to medically under-served women ages 40 to 74. Funding is awarded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
- Nebraska receives approximately \$3 million annually to provide screening and diagnostic tests, public education, professional education, surveillance, evaluation and quality assurance activities.
- Started in 1991, Nebraska was one of the first twelve states to take part. Today, all 50 states, 9 tribal organizations and several U.S. territories offer breast and cervical cancer screenings.
- Nebraska has coverage across the state for services. About 778 health care clinics/offices, hospitals, mammography facilities/radiology groups, and labs perform services for EWM. All counties in Nebraska are serviced by community partners who promote the screening programs, enroll eligible clients, and provide health education activities in their local communities. Partners also decrease barriers for clients and help clients access preventive health care services.
- In 1995, the State Legislature authorized EWM to raise funds to help women pay for treatment services. The Breast and Cervical Cancer Advisory Committee (BCCAC) and the EWM Foundation were created to help with this task. To date, the BCCAC and Foundation have helped 258 women with treatment of breast or cervical cancer. *(As of 6/30/14)*
- In 2001, Nebraska’s Medicaid Treatment Bill (LB677) passed in the Legislature. Women diagnosed with breast cancer, cervical pre-cancer or cervical invasive cancer through EWM, after September 1, 2001, are eligible for treatment through Nebraska Medicaid. To date, 1,487 women diagnosed through the program have accessed the Medicaid Women’s Cancer Control Program for reimbursement for their cancer treatment. *(As of 6/30/14)*
- Program data show that:

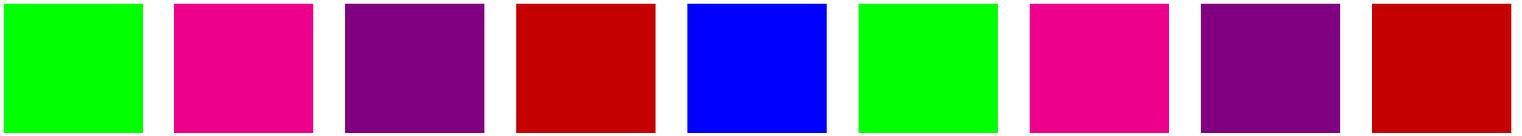
- 60% of program participants are at or below 100% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines
- 73% have no insurance
- 24% are non-white
- 18% are Hispanic

**From 1992-2014 Every Woman Matters data show:**

<b>Screened:</b>	-79,818 women 18+
<b>Performed:</b>	-122,863 Mammograms
	-143,020 Pap Smears
	-167,048 Clinical Breast Exams
<b>Diagnosed:</b>	-1,116 Breast Cancers
	-83 Cervical Cancers
<b>Detected:</b>	-1,258 Cervical pre-cancers

*Every Woman Matters*





**Cardiovascular & Diabetes Screening:**

- Nebraska was also among the first twelve states to receive more funding in order to offer heart and diabetes screenings. Since 2001, Every Woman Matters has offered preventive tests for heart disease and diabetes. These tests include blood pressure, lipid panel check, glucose check, triglyceride check, height, weight, waist circumference and a health risk appraisal. Personalized education and information are provided to clients to help them live healthier lives.

**From 2001-2014 the cardiovascular and diabetes screening program data show:**

**Cardiovascular Screens:** -33,143 Women 40+

**Detected:** -2,561 new cases of high cholesterol  
-3,882 new cases of hypertension  
-759 new cases of diabetes

**Provided:** -59,476 lifestyle counseling sessions

- In 2009, Nebraska’s WW program received national recognition from Secretary of Health and Human Services, Kathleen Sebelius, as a great example of a community-based prevention program that helps keep Americans healthy and out of the hospital. The reduction of heart disease mortality has been a great success story in Nebraska.

**Colon Cancer Screening:**

- Nebraska has one of the highest incidence rates of colon cancer. In 2006, the Nebraska Colon Cancer Screening Program (NCP) was implemented in order to provide colon cancer screening tests for Nebraska men and women who are between 50 and 74 years of age. Nebraska was one of only five such programs in the nation. In 2009, the program received an additional five years of funding to offer fecal occult blood test and colonoscopies to those eligible based on family and personal health history. Campaign messaging was incorporated and is featured at [www.StayInTheGameNE.com](http://www.StayInTheGameNE.com)



**From 2006-2014 the Nebraska Colon Cancer Screening Program data show:**

**Screened:** -13,178 Men and Women 50+ *(including those distributed by community coalitions)*

**Colonoscopies:** -2,210

**Detected:** -856 Polyps  
-21 Cancers

**Distributed:** -38,689 FOBT kits *(including those distributed by community coalitions)*

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