



The National Breast Screening Programme

## Breast Screening for Asymptomatic women

### Breast Screening Eligibility Criteria:

BreastScreen Waitemata Northland offers free mammograms every two years. Women must meet the following national eligibility criteria:

- Be aged 45 – 69 years inclusive
- Have no symptoms of breast cancer
- Have not had a mammogram in the last 12 months
- Not be pregnant
- Have not breast fed in the last three months
- Be a NZ resident (this includes women who usually live in the Cook Islands, Niue or Tokelau)

Note: *The Women & GP are notified of results within 10 working days*

Free screening on the BreastScreen Aotearoa programme is available at Takapuna, Waitakere, Orewa and Warkworth, and via the mobile screening service.

### For free screening with BreastScreen Waitemata Northland:

Fax: Enrolment forms to **09 484 0201**  
Eligible women can enrol directly by:  
Phone: **0800 270 200**  
Email: [enrolments@BSWN.govt.nz](mailto:enrolments@BSWN.govt.nz)  
Online: [www.nsu.govt.nz](http://www.nsu.govt.nz)



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## Breast Service Referrals

### Radiology Diagnostics and Breast Clinic

#### Patients to refer include\*

- Those with new breast lumps
- Definite skin signs such as:
  - Ulceration
  - Nodularity
  - Skin distortion
  - Nipple eczema
  - Recent nipple distraction/distortion (<3months)
  - Unilateral nipple discharge
  - Tethering or fixation
- High risk women
- Patients newly diagnosed with breast cancer

#### How to refer:

1. Confirm that patient should be referred to Breast Service by reviewing referral guidance;
2. Complete referral template in full;
3. Collect all previous test results and/or applicable reports for patient and fax (where possible) with the referral to the referral office.

#### What happens next:

- Referrals are graded and prioritised;
- Appointment made and communicated to patient
- Attendance at appointment;
  - patient to bring all previous breast imaging to appointment.

NB: Patients referred for private imaging should only be referred to Breast Service after imaging completed.

\* Refer to Breast Cancer Referral Guidance for more detailed information.

<http://www.healthpoint.co.nz> (Breast)

### All Breast Service referrals:

Fax: **Central Referral Office**  
**(09) 486 8348**

**For further information and resources please contact:**  
BSWN Primary Care Liaison: Phone: 09 484 0225. Fax: 09 484 0201