Study Information

The FUCHSIA Women’s Study is excited to report that we are in our 5th year, and with your help, we are making progress in answering some of the study questions.

You are part of a large study to help find out more about the health of cancer survivors. In total, we have 1,342 cancer survivors and 1,110 women who have not had cancer contributing to our efforts. The FUCHSIA Women’s Study participants are located across the state, representing 135 of the 159 counties in Georgia.

With the information you have provided, we are determining how different cancer treatments affect women’s long-term health. We are investigating specific topics related to hypothyroidism, health inequalities, family size/reproductive goals, fertility, and other health issues. We are working towards publishing several articles which will be posted to our website (www.fuchsia.emory.edu), along with updated study information and future research opportunities. Don’t forget to update your contact information on our website as well.

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Where in Georgia are FUCHSIA Women?

Staff and Participant Highlights

“IT has been gratifying for me to work as a researcher on the FUCHSIA Women’s Study. Thank you so much to all the women who participated.”
- H.C., PhD Candidate

“The clinic results "were helpful to me because I’m actually thinking of trying to have a baby. … [But] I did it to help more than anything.”
- J.D., Study Participant

“Working with cancer survivors is rewarding and humbling. I am excited that my involvement will help women who have an interest in learning more about their future health and family possibilities.”
- M.F., FUCHSIA Staff

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Thank You!

We would like to thank all of the women who participated in our study. We would also like to acknowledge the clinics around Georgia that allowed us to use their facilities and resources. With their help, we were able to reach out to FUCHSIA women across the state to complete the clinical portion of the study. The FUCHSIA staff truly appreciates all of your contributions.

**Preliminary Results**

- 15.8% of cancer survivors and 16.0% of comparison women visited a doctor for help becoming pregnant
- Among the women who visited a doctor for help becoming pregnant, most pursued treatment
- A similar proportion of cancer survivors and comparison women visited a doctor and/or pursued treatment for help becoming pregnant

- Most women, both cancer survivors and women who did not have cancer, wanted 2 children
- At the time of interview, 54% of cancer survivors and 43% of comparison women had fewer children than they wanted
- This difference was more noticeable in women ages 35 and up

**Study Timeline**

- Initial Recruitment
- Telephone Interviews
- Clinic Visits
- Examination of Findings
- Publication of Results
- Analysis of Laboratory Data
- Medical Records Review
- Fuchs Research on Cancer Treatments
- Analysis of Interview Data
- Publication of Results

**Your Contribution**

- Answering questions during the telephone interview
- Sharing your cancer medical records
- Having an ultrasound
- Having your blood drawn

**How it helps our study**

- This lets us know more about you and helps us describe the women in our study
- This lets us look at long-term side effects of different treatments
- This tells us about the health of your ovaries
- This lets us know how your ovaries are working