

All Women Count! (AWC!) Program

Each year in South Dakota:

- Breast cancer is the most frequently diagnosed cancer in women.
- Breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths among women.
- An estimated 680 women are diagnosed with breast cancer.
- An estimated 110 women die from breast cancer.
- Fewer than 25 women are diagnosed with cervical cancer.
- An estimated 9 women die from cervical cancer.

All Women Count! (AWC!) Program:

- Provides low-income, uninsured, and under-insured women in South Dakota timely breast and cervical cancer screening and diagnostic services.
- Mammograms, Pap smears, and related exams are available at no cost to eligible women at more than 800 individual providers and facilities.
- The AWC! Program pays the providers directly.

Eligibility:

Women who meet income guidelines, and are under-insured and are in specific age groups may be eligible for the AWC! Program.

Income Guidelines (Before taxes):

Number of people in your house:	Your yearly household income can be up to:
1	\$25,760
2	\$34,840
3	\$43,920
4	\$53,000
5	\$62,080
6	\$71,160

Call 1-800-738-2301 (in SD only), for more information. *Effective February 1, 2021.*

Insurance Guidelines:

Women who are either:

- Without insurance to pay for screening exams.
- Or, who are insured but cannot pay for the deductible or copayment.
 - AWC! would be the secondary payer.

Age Guidelines:

Women in the following age groups, who are also Income and Insurance eligible, could be eligible for certain services:

- Age 30-64 for Pap smears
- Age 40-64 for Mammograms
- **Age 30-39 require pre-authorization through their healthcare provider.**

A woman can be eligible for the program until

- She turns 65 **or**
- The household income exceeds program guidelines **or**
- She acquires Medicare B or Medicaid.

Services Covered by the AWC! Program:

- **Breast Services:** Screening Mammograms, Diagnostic Mammograms, Breast Ultrasounds, Breast Biopsies, and Screening MRI **(for High Risk Women Only).**
- **Cervical Services:** Pap Testing, Primary HPV Testing, Co-Testing (combination of pap testing with HPV testing), Cervical Biopsies, Colposcopy, LEEP, and Cone.

How to Enroll:

- Call 211 and speak to our Health Navigator for more information on eligibility and services, and to enroll.
- To find a list of Primary and Mammography Providers: <https://getscreened.sd.gov/count/providers/>

For more information on the All Women Count! (AWC!) program, call 211 or search our online database:

- helplinecenter.org/211database
 - Try the following keyword search terms:
 - Cancer Detection
 - Disease/Disability Information

Sources:

- South Dakota Department of Health: All Women Count!: <https://getscreened.sd.gov/count/>
- Cancer Care: Early Detection and Breast Cancer: https://www.cancercare.org/publications/82-early_detection_and_breast_cancer
- South Dakota Department of Health: All Women Count! Statistics: <https://getscreened.sd.gov/count/stats/>

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