



# California Breast Cancer Organizations

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## CABCO ACCOMPLISHMENTS

CABCO, WORKING WITH OTHER ADVOCACY GROUPS, PLAYED AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE FOLLOWING ACHIEVEMENTS.

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- Susan Love MD Breast Cancer Research Foundation**  
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(310) 230-1712
- National Lymphedema Network**  
1611 Telegraph Ave. #111  
Oakland, CA 94612-2138  
800-541-3259
- Bay Area Breast Cancer Network**  
4320 Stevens Creek Blvd., #185  
San Jose, CA 95129  
(408) 261-1425
- American Cancer Society California Division**  
1710 Webster St., Suite 210  
Oakland, CA 94612  
(510) 893-7900
- Los Angeles Breast Cancer Alliance (LABCA)**  
2125 Arizona Ave., #102  
Santa Monica, CA 90404  
(310) 453-1046
- Y-ME Southland California Affiliate**  
17300 17th St. PMB-203,  
Suite J  
Tustin, CA 92880  
(714) 828-5541
- Y-ME San Diego Affiliate**  
254 E. Grand Ave. #205  
Escondido, CA 92025  
(760) 839-1491
- 1993 BREAST CANCER ACT OF 1993: CREATION OF EARLY DETECTION PROGRAM, RESEARCH PROGRAM AND FUNDING FOR CANCER REGISTRY
  - 1993 TAX CHECK-OFF LINE ON PERSONAL INCOME TAXES FOR BREAST CANCER RESEARCH PROGRAM
  - 1994 TREATMENT FUNDING OBTAINED FROM CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENT
  - 1997 RENEWAL OF TAX CHECK-OFF LINE TO 2003
  - 1999 TREATMENT "BRIDGE" FUNDING OBTAINED FROM CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENT
  - 2001 CLINICAL TRIALS BILL PASSED
  - 2001 CALIFORNIA "OPTS IN" TO BREAST AND CERVICAL CANCER TREATMENT ACT OF 2000: TREATMENT FUNDING IN GOVERNOR'S BUDGET
  - 2002 TAX CHECK-OFF LINE EXTENDED TO 2008
  - 2002 CONTINUED FUNDING IN GOVERNOR'S BUDGET FOR TREATMENT
  - 2003 TREATMENT FUNDING AGAIN IN GOVERNOR'S BUDGET
  - 2003 UC DAVIS STUDY FINDS THAT CLINICAL TRIAL BILL OF 2001 HAS BEEN VERY EFFECTIVE IN REDUCING BARRIER TO PATIENT PARTICIPATION IN CLINICAL TRIALS

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### California Breast Cancer Research Program

The Breast Cancer Research Program provides funding for California scientists to perform innovative research on breast cancer. Advocates have a seat at the table on the governing council that sets the research priorities and makes the final decisions on distribution of the funding and educated breast cancer survivors have an equal vote with the scientists on the panels that review the grants.

### Breast Cancer Early Detection Program

#### (Cancer Detection Services: Every Woman Counts)

The Breast Cancer Early Detection Program provides breast cancer screening and diagnosis for those who are under 200% of the poverty level and 40 years of age or older. Breast cancer advocates sit on the advisory committees for the BCEDP partnerships and on the oversight committee in the Department of Health Services.

### Cancer Registry

The Cancer Registry has established a cohort of 133,000 teachers and is conducting a prospective study of these teachers. Breast cancer advocates sit on the Advisory Committee for this study.

### Treatment Funding

The funding provided by the California Endowment provided treatment for breast and cervical cancer for 18 months.

After passage of the Breast and Cervical Cancer Treatment Act of 2000 by Congress, Governor Davis included funding for the state match in his budget. This enabled the state to obtain 2 dollars of federal funding for every 1 dollar of state funding. This program provides full MediCal coverage for those women diagnosed with breast or cervical cancer by government screening programs.

### Clinical Trials

The clinical trials bill provides that insurance companies must pay ordinary patient costs for those patients who participate in clinical trials. Only 3% of adult cancer patients were participating in clinical trials and this was a step in removing one of the barriers to this participation.

UC Davis conducted a study of patient participation in clinical trials before and after passage of this bill. They found that prior to the legislation 8% of patients declined to participate because of insurance concerns. After passage they had no patients decline for this reason. This bill has been successful in increasing participation in clinical trials for cancer.