Fallopian Tube Cancer

The UCSF Patient and Family Cancer Support Center is the hub of support, information and resources for people with cancer at the Helen Diller Family Comprehensive Cancer Center. Learn more about UCSF’s supportive care programs at [https://cancer.ucsf.edu/support/crc/patient-support-center](https://cancer.ucsf.edu/support/crc/patient-support-center).

The Cancer Support Center at Mission Bay is located at 1825 4th St., 1st Floor, Room M-1210. The Cancer Support Center at Mt. Zion is located at 1600 Divisadero St., 1st Floor, Room B-101.

The complete list of Patient Education Resource Pages is available to view at [http://cancer.ucsf.edu/support/crc/patient-education-resources](http://cancer.ucsf.edu/support/crc/patient-education-resources).

Overview

Fallopian tube cancer, also known as tubal cancer, develops in the fallopian tubes that connect the ovaries and the uterus. It is very rare and accounts for only 1 percent to 2 percent of all gynecologic cancers. About 1,500 to 2,000 cases of fallopian tube cancer have been reported worldwide. Approximately 300 to 400 women are diagnosed with the condition annually in the United States. It is more common for cancer to spread, or metastasize, from other parts of the body, such as the ovaries or endometrium, than for cancer to actually originate in the fallopian tubes. Fallopian tube cancer typically affects women between the ages of 50 and 60, although it can occur at any age. It is more common in Caucasian women who have had few or no children. Because this cancer is so rare, little is known about what causes it. However, researchers are investigating whether genetics play a role. There is evidence that women who have inherited the gene linked to breast and ovarian cancer, called BRCA1, are also at an increased risk of developing fallopian tube cancer.

Website: [https://www.ucsfhealth.org/conditions/fallopian-tube-cancer](https://www.ucsfhealth.org/conditions/fallopian-tube-cancer)

UCSF Resources

UCSF Gynecologic Oncology Center

The UCSF Gynecologic Oncology Center offers innovative, compassionate care in a supportive environment. Our team – which includes gynecologic cancer surgeons, radiation specialists and specially trained nurses – provides screening exams, diagnostic imaging and treatments such as surgery and radiation. We also offer expert advice on the latest therapies, as well as education and other services. Genetic counseling for high-risk families is also available. We have three locations in the Bay Area to make patient visits as convenient as possible. Website: [https://www.ucsfhealth.org/clinics/gynecologic-oncology-center](https://www.ucsfhealth.org/clinics/gynecologic-oncology-center) | Phone Number: (415) 353-9600
Publications
American Cancer Society: “Sex and the Woman with Cancer”

Organizations
American Cancer Society (ACS) – Fallopian Tube Cancer
At the American Cancer Society, we’re on a mission to free the world from cancer. Until we do, we’ll be funding and conducting research, sharing expert information, supporting patients, and spreading the word about prevention. All so you can live longer — and better.
Website: https://www.cancer.org/cancer/ovarian-cancer.html | Phone Number: 800.227.2345

Bay Area Cancer Connections
BACC helps people with breast and ovarian cancers. Services include a helpline, buddy programs, pro-bono counseling, a wig boutique, information and support groups.
Located in Palo Alto, but services are available to anyone. All services are free.
Website: https://www.bayareacancer.org/ | Phone Number: 650-326-6686

Cancer.Net - Fallopian Tube Cancer
This is Cancer.Net’s Guide to Ovarian, Fallopian Tube, and Peritoneal Cancer
Website: https://www.cancer.net/cancer-types/ovarian-fallopian-tube-and-peritoneal-cancer

Foundation for Women’s Cancer
Provides comprehensive educational materials about all gynecologic cancers. Also has much information about coping, caregiving, supportive care, clinical trials and more
Website: http://www.foundationforwomenscancer.org/ | Phone Number: 312-578-1439

National Cancer Institute – Fallopian Tube Cancer
“Ovarian, Fallopian Tube, and Primary Peritoneal Cancer”
Website: http://www.cancer.gov/types/ovarian

National LGBT Cancer Network
The National LGBT Cancer Network works to improve the lives of LGBT cancer survivors and those at risk by: EDUCATING the LGBT community about our increased cancer risks and the importance of screening and early detection; TRAINING health care providers to offer more culturally-competent, safe and welcoming care; and ADVOCATING for LGBT survivors in mainstream cancer organizations, the media and research.
Website: https://cancer-network.org/about/ | Phone Number: 212-675-2633
National Ovarian Cancer Coalition
Provides educational materials, information, resources, and ways to become involved.
Website: http://www.ovarian.org | Phone Number: 888-682-7426

OncoLink – Fallopian Tube Cancer
OncoLink was the first cancer information website on the Internet, started in 1994, and remains one of the largest. Website: https://www.oncolink.org/cancers/gynecologic/fallopian-tube-cancer/all-about-fallopian-tube-cancer

Ovarian Cancer Research Fund Alliance
OCRA advances ovarian cancer research while supporting women and their families.
Website: https://ocrahope.org/ | Phone Number: 866-399-6262

Sharsheret
For Jewish women facing breast or ovarian cancer. Informative, educational website and national events. Website: www.sharsheret.org | Phone Number: 866-474-2774

This information is intended to offer credible and reliable education resources for patients who want to learn more about their diagnosis. It is not intended to be a comprehensive list of all resources available.