

Vaginal Cancer



UCSF Helen Diller Family
Comprehensive
Cancer Center

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>

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>

Overview

Vaginal cancer is a rare disease and makes up less than 3 percent of all gynecological cancers. There are four different types of vaginal cancer, including:

Squamous Cell Cancer: The most common type, which usually occurs in the upper part of the vagina. It typically affects women between the ages of 50 and 70.

Adenocarcinoma: The second most common type. It usually affects women between the ages of 12 and 30, although it occasionally occurs in women of all age groups.

Malignant Melanomas Sarcomas: Extremely rare forms of the disease.

It is important to know that even if you have had a hysterectomy, you can still develop vaginal cancer. Website: <https://www.ucsfhealth.org/conditions/vaginal-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> | Phone Number: (415) 353-9600



Publications

American Cancer Society: “Sex and the Woman with Cancer”

Website: <http://www.cancer.org/treatment/treatments-and-side-effects/physical-side-effects/fertility-and-sexual-side-effects/sexuality-for-women-with-cancer.html>

Organizations

American Cancer Society (ACS) – Vaginal 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/vaginal-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 - Vaginal Cancer

This is Cancer.Net’s Guide to Vaginal Cancer

Website: <https://www.cancer.net/cancer-types/vaginal-cancer>

Cancer Support Community – Vaginal Cancer

As the largest professionally led nonprofit network of cancer support worldwide, the Cancer Support Community is dedicated to ensuring that all people impacted by cancer are empowered by knowledge, strengthened by action, and sustained by community.

Website: <https://www.cancersupportcommunity.org/vaginal-cancer> | Phone Number: 888-793-9355

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

Medline Plus: Trusted Health Information for You – Vaginal Cancer


MedlinePlus is a service of the National Library of Medicine (NLM), the world's largest medical library, which is part of the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

Website: <https://medlineplus.gov/vaginalcancer.html>



National Cancer Institute – Vaginal Cancer
“Ovarian, Fallopian Tube, and Primary Peritoneal Cancer”
Website: <https://www.cancer.gov/types/vaginal>

National Comprehensive Cancer Network:
“NCCN Guidelines for Patients: Ovarian Cancer”.
Website: <http://www.nccn.org/patients/guidelines/ovarian/index.html>

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

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.

