



## Hereditary Cancer Awareness Project Fact Sheet

### Purpose:

1. Survey – To find out more from Oregon cancer survivors and clinicians:
  - a. Their understanding of Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer (HBOC) syndrome or Lynch Syndrome (LS)
  - b. Their use of, or referrals to, resources
2. Educate – To inform Oregon cancer survivors and clinicians about HBOC or LS:
  - a. Raise knowledge of resources
  - b. Encourage life-saving conversations

### Process: A letter, survey and other material sent to specific persons:

- Cancer survivors who fit cancer genetic services referral guidelines.
- Reporting clinicians of cancer survivors (when known).

**Survey candidates:** ScreenWise used the Oregon State Cancer Registry (OSCaR) to find certain cancer survivors and reporting clinicians. We looked for cancer survivors who may have been offered cancer genetic services to gauge if they have HBOC syndrome or LS. This does not mean the person has HBOC or LS. However, it does mean that some people with that cancer diagnosis might have HBOC or LS.

To learn more about HBOC or LS, the person may want to talk with their doctor or a board-certified genetics specialist. For example, they may want to talk to their certified genetic counselor (CGC) or a geneticist (MD or PhD). These specialists can explain the risk of HBOC related cancers to the person and their family.

**Post survey:** By Sept. 28, 2018, we will put a summary of the results for this project on the Hereditary Cancer Awareness Project webpage. You will be able to go to <http://www.healthoregon.org/genetics>, for the results. This summary will not include any personal information.

**Data source:** The Oregon State Cancer Registry. For more information about OSCaR, go to <http://healthoregon.org/oscar>.

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