



Kirby Medical Center organizes Paint Piatt Pink, a breast cancer awareness program. All funds raised go toward our Women's Imaging Center for breast cancer awareness programs and equipment updates. Everyone is invited to get involved!



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3D Mammography

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Introducing Hologic 3D Mammography™

3D Mammography, also known as breast tomosynthesis, is an advanced screening and diagnostic tool that provides images of the breast in 1mm layers from many different angles, detecting abnormalities in greater detail and with more accuracy to improve chances of early detection.



What are the benefits of 3D Mammography?¹

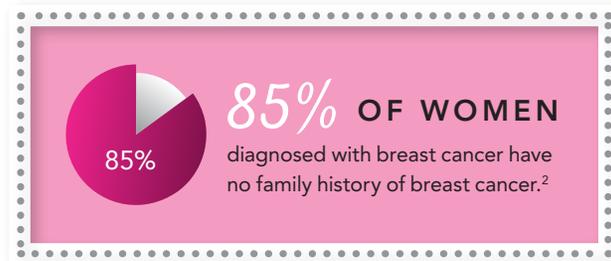
- More precise imaging for earlier detection
- Detects 41% more invasive cancers
- Fewer callbacks for additional imaging
- Significant reduction in false-positive recall rates

Why choose 3D Mammography?

While digital mammography is still one of the most advanced technologies available today, it is only a two-dimensional picture of the breast. The breast is a three-dimensional object composed of different structures, such as blood vessels, milk ducts, fat and ligaments. All of these structures, which are located at different heights within the breast, can overlap and cause confusion when viewed as a two-dimensional, flat image. This confusion of overlapping tissue is a leading reason why small breast cancers may be missed and normal tissue may appear abnormal, leading to unnecessary callbacks.



The exposure to radiation for a traditional mammogram and a 3D Mammogram is comparable. Kirby offers both 2D and 3D technologies. Talk to your doctor to decide which option is best for you.



What should I expect during a 3D Mammogram?

From the patient's point of view, the 3D Mammogram procedure is the same as a traditional mammogram with no additional compression. Like a traditional mammogram, the technologist positions you and compresses your breast. The X-ray arm of the mammography machine makes a quick arc over the breast, taking a series of images at a number of angles. The whole procedure takes about the same amount of time as a traditional mammogram.

¹Data on file at Hologic.com.

²Statistics available at Breastcancer.org.