



ACS NATIONAL BREAST
CANCER ROUNDTABLE

NATIONAL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 18-19
GRAND HYATT WASHINGTON
WASHINGTON, D.C.

2025

7:15 AM	REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST	Independence East
8:30 AM - 8:45 AM	OPENING REMARKS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Melissa Thomas, PhD, Strategic Director, ACS NBCRT 	Independence East
8:45 AM - 9:15 AM	STEERING COMMITTEE RECOGNITION CEREMONY <p>We are proud to celebrate the outstanding leadership and contributions that have shaped the ACS NBCRT at this special recognition ceremony. Together, we will honor our outgoing chairs and Steering Committee members, express gratitude for their service, and warmly welcome our new leadership team as they share brief remarks and carry the work forward.</p>	Independence East
9:15 AM - 10:30 AM	CO-KEYNOTE: THE FUTURE OF BREAST CANCER SCREENING: AI & EQUITY <p>This session will explore how artificial intelligence is transforming the breast cancer screening landscape—from upstream risk prediction and personalized screening strategies to downstream clinical validation and deployment. Presenters will highlight both the cutting-edge innovations and real-world equity challenges in applying AI to breast cancer care.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>“What’s Possible” – AI modeling, innovations, and the potential to personalize risk-based screening</i> - Adam Yala, PhD, Assistant Professor, University of California, Berkeley & UCSF <i>“What’s Real” – Clinical validation, deployment realities, and equity implications</i> - Hari Trivedi, MD, Assistant Professor, Radiology and Biomedical Informatics, Emory University Fireside Chat Moderated by Amy Patel, MD, Breast Radiologist; Medical Director, Breast Care Center, Liberty Hospital 	Independence East
10:30 AM - 10:45 AM	BREAK	
10:45 AM - 12:00 PM	ROUNDTABLE BREAKOUTS <p>These small-group interactive breakout sessions will explore key challenges and system-level gaps across four strategic priority areas. Participants will engage in discussion, reflection, and brainstorming, with guidance from subject matter experts and facilitators. Each session will culminate in a shared “big question” to shape future collaborative action.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Lifestyle Factors that Impact Breast Cancer Anne Gaglioti, MD, MS, FAAFP, American Cancer Society Equity in Implementation: Moving from Strategy to Standards Rev. Tawana Davis, PhD, Founder, TAD Enterprises Reimagining Support: Meeting the Needs of Survivors and Caregivers Ashley Dedmon, MPH, Living Beyond Breast Cancer Engaging Non-Traditional and Community-Based Providers Laura Fejerman, MSc, PhD, UC Davis 	Independence East, Lafayette and Farragut

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM **LUNCH** **Independence East**

1:00 PM - 1:45 PM **CLIMBING EARLIER: CONFRONTING THE RISE OF BREAST CANCER IN YOUNGER WOMEN** **Independence East**

This panel will explore the rising incidence of breast cancer among individuals under 45 and the unique challenges they face—including delayed diagnosis, lack of risk awareness, fertility concerns, and identity disruption. Panelists will share data, personal and community perspectives, and opportunities for system-level interventions to better support this younger population.

Moderator: **Jill Dietz**, MD, MHCM, FACS, Executive Director, Breast Center Services, WVU Cancer Institute

- *Epidemiological trends and early risk factors* - **Mary Beth Terry**, PhD, Professor of Epidemiology, Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health - Epidemiological trends and early risk factors
- *Clinical and psychosocial considerations in AYA breast cancer care* - **Rebecca Johnson**, MD, Medical Director, Adolescent and Young Adult Oncology, Mary Bridge Children's Hospital

1:45 PM - 2:45 PM **SHOWCASING INNOVATION - THE ACS NBCRT RISK ASSESSMENT TOOLKIT** **Independence East**

This session will highlight the ACS NBCRT's newly developed Risk Assessment Toolkit—an innovative, digital resource designed to help primary care providers and OB/GYNs implement personalized, risk-based breast cancer screening strategies. Presenters will walk through the toolkit's development, content, clinical application, and future integration opportunities.

Moderator: **Stephanie Graff**, MD, FACP, FASCO, Director of Breast Oncology at Lifespan Cancer Institute and Legorreta Cancer Center at Brown University

- *Toolkit overview and implementation context* - **Amanda Woodworth**, MD, Keck Medicine of USC
- *Toolkit development and evidence base* - **Aditi Hazra**, PhD, MPH, VA Boston Healthcare System; Harvard Medical School
- *Case study on toolkit use in diverse populations* - **Laura Fejerman**, MSc, PhD, Co-Director, Women's Cancer Care and Research Program, UC Davis

2:45 PM - 3:15 PM **GROUP PHOTO AND NETWORKING BREAK** **Independence East**

THURSDAY

1:45 PM -
2:45 PM

TRANSFORMING SUPPORT – INSIGHTS FROM THE SUPPORT & WELLNESS SCOPING REVIEW

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This session will highlight key findings from the ACS NBCRT Support & Wellness Scoping Review, which mapped existing tools, gaps, and best practices for assessing and addressing the needs of breast cancer patients and their caregivers. Panelists will offer perspectives across research, practice, and lived experience, with an emphasis on actionable opportunities to improve holistic support.

Moderator: **Melissa Thomas**, PhD, Strategic Director, ACS NBCRT

- *Session Welcome & Framing Remarks* - **Tia Newcomer**, CEO, CaringBridge
- *Perspectives on integrative medicine and gaps in supportive care delivery* - **Eleanor Walker**, MD, Medical Director, Henry Ford Health Center for Integrative Medicine
- *Personal perspective on caregiving, unmet needs, and emotional burden* - **Sam Scott**, Student Volunteer
- *Community-based support services and best practices for peer navigation* - **Darcie Wells**, VP of Mission & Education, CanCare

4:00 PM -
4:10 PM

BREAK

4:10 PM -
5:20 PM

INNOVATIVE PERSISTENCE: ADVANCING BREAST CANCER NAVIGATION

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This armchair discussion between leading experts in navigation will provide the opportunity to discuss a brief history, current strategies and specific approaches to elevating sustainable navigation to advance navigation in breast cancer. The need for continued advocacy, leadership, and education in navigation will be explored. Experts will share lessons learned from the leadership, research and practices of navigation and what successful outputs have driven equity thus far. A Q&A session will also engage the audience and provide action planning opportunities to achieve the next level of breast cancer navigation.

Moderator: **Tracy Battaglia**, MD, MPH, Professor of Medicine and Associate Director, Cancer Care Equity, Yale School of Medicine

- **Julie McMahon**, MPH, Director, Community Health Programs, Susan G. Komen
- **Kimberly Bolin Samuels**, BS, ARDMS, ARRT, RT(R)(M), Executive Director, National Consortium of Breast Centers
- **Carmen Stokes**, PhD, FNP-BC, CNE, Henry Ford Cancer Center

5:30 PM -
6:30 PM

RECEPTION

Grand Foyer

7:30 PM -
9:00 PM

ACS NBCRT ANNUAL MEETING SOCIAL EVENT

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This casual and uplifting evening event will provide attendees with an opportunity to relax, connect, and reflect on the collective work of advancing equity in breast cancer.

7:30 AM **REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST** **Ballroom Foyer**

8:30 AM - 10:30 AM **ACS NBCRT PRIORITY TEAM WORKSHOPS** **Ballrooms B, C, D, E**

This interactive working session will engage ACS NBCRT Priority Team members in identifying shared priorities for the year ahead. Participants will review team progress, explore future opportunities, and collaborate in small groups to generate and vote on actionable project ideas aligned with the NBCRT mission.

Priority Teams:

1. Risk Assessment, Screening, Risk Reduction, & Early Diagnosis
2. Access to Treatment
3. Clinical Trials
4. Support and Wellness Services

Know which Priority Team you plan to attend? RSVP [here](#).

10:30 AM - 11:00 AM **BREAK**

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM **NAVIGATING POSSIBILITIES: EXPANDING ACCESS TO CLINICAL TRIALS THROUGH PATIENT NAVIGATION** **Ballrooms A-E**

This session will highlight real-world models for expanding access to clinical trials for underserved populations through patient navigation. Speakers will explore the ‘what,’ ‘why,’ and ‘how’ of building equitable clinical trial systems that meet patients where they are. Panelists will offer perspectives on innovation, urgency, and implementation across different settings.

Moderator: **Arif Kamal**, MD, MBA, MHS, Chief Patient Officer, American Cancer Society

- *What models exist and what is changing in trial design and delivery?* - **Erika Hamilton**, MD, FASCO, Director, Breast Cancer Research; Chair, Breast Executive Committee, Sarah Cannon Research Institute; ACS NBCRT Steering Committee Member
- *Why trial equity matters and how trust and culture must shape outreach* - **Ricki Fairley**, CEO, TOUCH, The Black Breast Cancer Alliance; ACS NBCRT Steering Committee Member
- *How navigation can close the gap—practical insights from clinic-based programs* - **Naomi Ko**, MD, MPH, Associate Professor of Medicine, NYU Langone Perlmutter Cancer Center

12:00 PM - 12:30 PM **CLOSING REMARKS & ADJOURN** **Ballrooms A-E**

12:30 PM **CLOSING OF THE ACS NBCRT ANNUAL MEETING**

Boxed lunches served to-go.

Safe travels home!

FRIDAY

ACS National Breast Cancer Roundtable

The American Cancer Society National Breast Cancer Roundtable (ACS NBCRT) was established in 2022. The ACS NBCRT is a national coalition of member organizations dedicated to leading collective action across the nation so that every person and their support systems will know and understand breast cancer risk and screening needs, and can access timely, high-quality, and compassionate screening, diagnosis, treatment, and supportive care needed to improve their survival and quality of life.

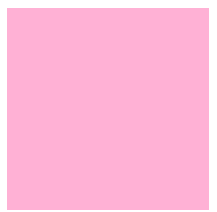
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→ Priorities

- Risk assessment, screening, risk reduction, and early diagnosis
- Access to treatment
- Clinical trials
- support & wellness services

→ Health Equity Statement

The ACS believes that all people should have a fair and just opportunity to prevent, find, treat, and survive breast cancer, regardless of income, skin color, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability status, or zip code.



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