

## Virginia's Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention and Treatment Fund

The 2009 General Assembly established the Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention and Treatment Fund (hereafter, the BCCPT Fund) to support future increased access to the treatment of breast and cervical cancer for women under Medicaid (Chapters 26/521 2009 *Virginia Acts of Assembly*).

The Virginia Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program (BCCEDP), also known as **Every Woman's Life**, strives to promote women's health by providing free mammograms, clinical breast exams, Pap tests, and pelvic exams to women who qualify. This program contracts with screening sites throughout Virginia to provide cancer-detection services and provides prompt follow-up care when necessary. All screening tests are performed in accordance with current national recommendations and women enrolled in the program who are diagnosed with breast or cervical cancer may be eligible for benefits under the state Medicaid program.

As directed by *the Acts*, the BCCPT Fund shall accumulate until the General Assembly authorizes the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) and the Virginia Department of Health (VDH) to increase access to services through an expansion of authorized screening providers.

If you are interested in making a donation to the BCCPT Fund, contributions may be sent to the following address:

Department of Medical Assistance Services  
600 E. Broad Street - 8th floor  
Richmond, VA 23219  
Fiscal Division/ BCCPT Fund

Contributors should make checks payable to the "Department of Medical Assistance Services" and are encouraged to reference "BCCPT Fund" in the memo section of checks and money orders.

For more information about the program please contact the Every Woman's Life Program at [Free\\_screens@vdh.virginia.gov](mailto:Free_screens@vdh.virginia.gov); telephone (804) 864-7761 (toll Free in Virginia 1-866-395-4968); or fax (804) 864-7763.

<http://www.vahealth.org/breastcancer/index.htm>