

## WHAT WOMEN NEED TO KNOW ABOUT OVARIAN CANCER.

Ovarian Cancer is often called the silent killer because many times there are no symptoms until the disease has progressed to an advanced stage. One-third of women will get some form of cancer in their lifetime and approximately one in one-half percent of those cases will be cancer involving one or both ovaries. Early symptoms of this cancer are often mild, making this disease difficult to detect. Some early symptoms include:

- Bloating
- · Unusual feeling of fullness or discomfort in the pelvic or abdominal region
- Difficulty eating or feeling full quickly
- Urinary Symptoms (Urgency or Frequency)

Women who have these symptoms almost daily for more than a few weeks should see their doctor, perferably a gynecologist. Prompt medical evalution may lead to detection at the earliest possible stage. Early stage diagnosis is associated with improved prognosis.

## THE RISKS

 $\mathcal{X}$  Women of any age are at risk

 $\chi$  Increasing age raises risk

Personal or Family History of breast, colon or ovarian cancer

NEVER BEEN PREGNANT OR GIVEN BIRTH

## THE FACTS

CCCURS IN 1 IN 69 WOMEN

Searly Detection increase survival rates

- There is no test. Pap Smears only detect Cervical Cancer
- $\mathcal{X}$  Causes symptoms, even in early stages

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