

## HOW DO I KNOW IF I AM AT HIGH RISK FOR DEVELOPING AN INHERITED CANCER?

According to the National Cancer Institute, some of the factors to consider are whether, in your family, there is one or more of the following (108):

several close blood relatives with the same type of cancer, such as a mother, daughter, and sisters with breast cancer;

members diagnosed with cancers at younger ages than usual, such as colon cancer in a 20-year-old;

one or more members who have more than one type of cancer, such as a female relative with both breast and ovarian cancer;

one or more members with cancers in both of a pair of organs, such as both eyes, both kidneys, or both breasts;

members with a type of cancer usually occurring in the opposite sex, such as breast cancer in a man.

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