

### Commitment to Accessibility

<b>Access Officer</b>	<p>The BreastCheck access officer co-ordinates assistance for women with disabilities helping them to access the BreastCheck service.</p> <p>Please contact <a href="mailto:access@breastcheck.ie">access@breastcheck.ie</a> if you have a query or require assistance.</p>
<b>Access Team</b>	<p>The BreastCheck Access team meet 4 times a year. They support and assist the Access Officer when developing, supporting, coordinating and monitoring the implementation of a service which is equitable to all women with disabilities aged 50-69 years.</p>
<b>Environment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All of our screening units and mobile units are accessible for most types of wheelchair. Women are asked to contact their local BreastCheck unit prior to attending to check that their wheelchair can be accommodated in either the screening or mobile unit.</li> <li>• All BreastCheck units are equipped with loop systems to aid women with hearing impairments</li> <li>• We strive to continuously improve our buildings in line with recommendations from access audits</li> <li>• Accessible parking is available in close proximity to all our screening units on a first come first serve basis</li> </ul>
<b>Information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BreastCheck information materials are approved as Plain English by the National Adult Literacy Approval (NALA)</li> <li>• BreastCheck information can also be provided in an</li> </ul>

	<p>easy to read format (please see below)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BreastCheck leaflet ‘Important information about breast screening for women who need extra support’ available on <a href="http://www.breastcheck.ie">www.breastcheck.ie</a></li> <li>• BreastCheck can provide information in Braille (please see below)</li> <li>• BreastCheck information can be provided in audio format on request (please see below)</li> <li>• Sign language interpreters can be provided for women on request (please see below)</li> <li>• Language interpreters can be provided for women on request (please see below)</li> <li>• Our website is designed in an accessible format and complies with WCAG guidelines</li> </ul>
<b>Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BreastCheck has a SOP for ‘Access for Mobility impaired users to Breastcheck’</li> <li>• BreastCheck has a SOP for ‘Consenting to having a mammogram in BreastCheck’</li> </ul>
<b>Service</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women can register for BreastCheck by ringing the Freephone number 1800 45 45 55 or on the BreastCheck website <a href="http://www.breastcheck.ie">www.breastcheck.ie</a></li> </ul>
<b>Appointment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BreastCheck offer women with disabilities longer appointments should they require extra time. Please contact the relevant unit in advance of your appointment to arrange a longer appointment slot</li> <li>• BreastCheck offers group appointments should a woman wish to attend with others. This may be arranged by contacting the relevant unit in advance</li> <li>• Women are welcome to bring a support person with them to their BreastCheck appointment</li> <li>• BreastCheck are happy to change an appointment that does not suit. This can be arranged by contacting the relevant unit in advance</li> </ul>

<p><b>Staff</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Many clinical and administration staff have completed training in access and disability</li> <li>• A language tool is available to assist women attending screening who may have difficulties with the English language</li> <li>• BreastCheck Health promotion officers can provide information about breast screening and health education to groups of women prior to screening</li> <li>• BreastCheck Health promotion officers can provide training and information on breast screening to staff/volunteers who work with women with disabilities</li> <li>• BreastCheck Health promotion officers can act as a point of contact for women with disabilities within the BreastCheck service</li> </ul>
<p><b>Consultation</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BreastCheck regularly links with women with disabilities and with representative organisations. If you have any feedback for us please contact us at: <a href="mailto:access@breastcheck.ie">access@breastcheck.ie</a></li> </ul>

## Material in Alternative Formats

<b>Braille Materials</b>	<b>BreastCheck</b>
What women can request?	Women can request BreastCheck Braille material to be sent to their home in advance of their BreastCheck appointment
How to request Braille documents?	Please contact the access officer on <a href="mailto:access@breastcheck.ie">access@breastcheck.ie</a> or telephoning your local screening unit

<b>Audio or DVD/Video Format</b>	<b>How to request</b>
Other format materials Audio or DVD/Video	Please contact the access officer on <a href="mailto:access@breastcheck.ie">access@breastcheck.ie</a> or telephone your local screening unit
<b>Interpreters</b>	<b>How to request</b>
Sign language interpreters	Please contact the access officer on <a href="mailto:access@breastcheck.ie">access@breastcheck.ie</a> or telephone your local screening unit
Language interpreters	Please contact the access officer on <a href="mailto:access@breastcheck.ie">access@breastcheck.ie</a> or telephone your local screening unit
<b>Resources for Women with Intellectual Disability</b>	<b>How to request</b>
BreastCheck have a set of resources to assist women with intellectual disabilities to use access Breast Screening Programme.  These resources were developed with experts by	These resources are available to download from <a href="https://www.breastcheck.ie/content/publications">https://www.breastcheck.ie/content/publications</a>

<p>experience – women with intellectual disabilities, and their support staff.</p> <p>The resources may be helpful to other women too, for example, women with English as a second language, or women with communication or literacy support needs.</p>	
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## Contacts

Contact	BreastCheck
<b>Head Office</b>	<p><b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.breastcheck.ie">www.breastcheck.ie</a>  <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:info@breastcheck.ie">info@breastcheck.ie</a>  <b>Freephone number:</b> 890 45 45 55  <b>Telephone:</b> (01) 865 9300  <b>Fax:</b> (01) 865 9333</p> <p><b>Address:</b> BreastCheck Central Office,  King's Inns House,  200 Parnell Street,  Dublin 1,  Ireland</p>
<b>Eccles Unit</b>	<p><b>Address:</b> BreastCheck Eccles Unit  36 Eccles St  Dublin 7</p> <p><b>Telephone:</b> (01) 882 6200  <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:eccles@breastcheck.ie">eccles@breastcheck.ie</a></p>
<b>Merrion Unit</b>	<p><b>Address:</b> BreastCheck Merrion Unit  Merrion Road  Dublin 4</p> <p><b>Telephone:</b> (01) 223 5800  <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:merrion@breastcheck.ie">merrion@breastcheck.ie</a></p>
<b>Western Unit</b>	<p><b>Address:</b> BreastCheck Western Unit  Newcastle Rd  Galway</p> <p><b>Telephone:</b> (091) 580 600  <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:western@breastcheck.ie">western@breastcheck.ie</a></p>
<b>Southern Unit</b>	<p><b>Address:</b> BreastCheck Southern Unit  Infirmary Rd  Cork</p> <p><b>Telephone:</b> (021) 464 9700  <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:southern@breastcheck.ie">southern@breastcheck.ie</a></p>