

FOCUS: OUR BELIEFS

Clear Communication:

between patients and providers

Full Autonomy:

cancer patients deserve control over their bodies and decisions

Unbiased Information:

to make a fully informed surgical decision

Acknowledgement of Paternalism:

which must be untangled from breast cancer care

Amplify Voices:

of all patients

Transparency and Accountability:

in all aspects of care



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SUPPORT OUR WORK

You can't order something that's not on the menu. The reconstruction decision is one that all mastectomy patients face, and we need **ALL** of our options clearly laid out so that we can make the choice that's right for us. Right now, too often, going flat is either trivialized or not mentioned at all. Whenever breast mound reconstruction is discussed, going flat should be discussed also. When we **#putflatonthemenu**, flat closure reconstruction will be discussed alongside breast mound reconstruction so patients can make the choice that's right for them.

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FLAT CLOSURE NOW



An education and advocacy nonprofit organization dedicated to ensuring breast cancer patients and providers understand that going flat is a valid, beautiful, and healthy post-mastectomy option.

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OUR MISSION

TO DISRUPT: The mainstream narrative that breast reconstruction is paramount to breast cancer patients living happy, whole lives.

TO OFFER: Clear language to breast cancer patients who desire a flat outcome after mastectomy and need to communicate that choice to their surgeons.

TO SUPPORT: Efforts to train surgeons in flat closure techniques and end flat denial.



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OUR RESOURCES

- The web's largest photo gallery of breast cancer patients living flat post-mastectomy
- FAQ on going flat
- Guide to types of surgeons
- Patient recommended surgeons
- Information on going flat after explant
- Information about revision surgeries
- Glossary of flat terms
- Printable list of questions to take to your surgical consult
- Blog entries from patients and advisory board members on topics such as: going flat, flat fashion, flat advocacy, flat in the news, and surgeon's perspectives.
- Links to flat-related
 - articles
 - literature
 - websites
 - Facebook groups & pages
 - videos
 - podcasts
 - downloadable resources

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