

NEWS

We continue to pass along to our readers any health and safety public service announcements. This month we bring to your attention important information about breast cancer screening.

Sisters of Charity Hospital and the Cancer Services Program of Erie County are teaming up to offer a free "Breast Cancer Screening" for women without health insurance on **Saturday**, **February 18**, **2012** from **8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** at the M. Steven Piver, M.D. Center for Women's Health & Wellness at Sisters Hospital. The Center, located in the hospital's Seton Professional Building at 2121 Main Street in Buffalo, offers state-of-the-art digital mammography.

Breast Cancer is the second most common cancer in women and the leading cause of cancer-related deaths in women ages 40-55. According to the National Cancer Institute, one in eight American women will develop breast cancer in their lifetime.

The free mammography screening takes about 20 minutes to complete and is open to women age 40 or older, who do not have health insurance and have not had a mammogram in the past year. Cancer Services Program will cover any follow-up testing and treatment if needed. Eligible participants can also register for additional no cost screening services.

Participants must meet eligibility requirements and appointments are necessary. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, or to schedule an appointment, contact Catholic Health's HealthConnection at (716) 447-6205.

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FEATURED CASE

Insurance Company Pays \$3,375,000.00 for Distracted Driver's Negligence.

Our client accepted a \$3,375,000.00 settlement for injuries she sustained as a result of the negligence of a driver who was on the phone immediately before the motor vehicle accident. Several years prior to the accident, our client had sustained a lumbar spine injury, but she recovered very well and was able to work with no restrictions. This accident re-aggravated her lumbar spine condition and caused further damage. She was required to undergo multiple surgeries which resulted in a four-level spinal fusion. She was left with a foot-drop condition and is now unable to resume her carrier in the restaurant management industry. As we have pointed out in the past, recovery may be had in instances where a pre-existing injury has been made worse. And as we have also noted many times: distracted driving causes accidents. Please drive safely.