



# BRA SOCIETY

BREAST  
RECONSTRUCTION  
ADVOCATE  
SOCIETY

## Empowering Women to Get Multiple Opinions to Make Informed Decisions.

Facing a mastectomy due to breast cancer or high risk can feel overwhelming. Many patients are not told about all of their options or feel rushed into decisions.

BRA Society is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to helping patients understand potential options, access care, and advocate for themselves with confidence.

### We believe every woman deserves to:

- Understand all reconstruction options (including aesthetic flat closure)
- Receive unbiased education and resources
- Seek multiple surgical opinions before making decisions
- Access care without unnecessary financial barriers

## Our Three Pillars



### Education

Resources, guides, and questions to ask surgeons so you can make informed decisions about your body and your care.



### Grants

Financial assistance to help offset travel costs for Oregon patients who must travel for mastectomy and/or reconstruction that requires overnight lodging outside of a hospital.



### Advocacy

Expanding access to advanced breast reconstruction and protecting patient choice through policy change, including Oregon's SB 1137, supporting muscle-sparing options.

# You Have Breast Reconstruction Options

Options may include:

- Aesthetic flat closure
- Implant reconstruction
- Autologous reconstruction using your own tissue

We provide educational resources and questions to ask surgeons so you can explore what is right for you.

Seeking more than one medical opinion can help you make the most informed decision possible.

## Oregon Travel Grants Available

If you live in Oregon and if you need to travel for mastectomy and/or reconstruction (that requires an overnight stay outside of the hospital), BRA Society may be able to help.

Email: [info@brasociety.org](mailto:info@brasociety.org)  
for grant information and eligibility.

## New Oregon Law Expands Access (SB 1137)

As of January 1, 2026, Oregon law helps expand insurance coverage for advanced breast reconstruction using your own tissue and improves access to care when insurance networks are inadequate.

This may allow patients to:

- Access autologous reconstruction techniques that do not compromise the muscle such as DIEP Flap, SGAP, PAP, LAP, TDAP as well as advanced microsurgical techniques like APEX and SIEA to help avoid MS-Trams when there is an inadequate network due to availability, long driving distance or long wait times.
- Receive care outside their insurance network when necessary
- Obtain treatment at in-network rates in certain situations

We provide resources to help patients understand these rights.

**Learn More.  
Access Resources.  
Get Support.**



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