

**ADH** - Atypical Ductal Hyperplasia

**AIS** - Aromatase Inhibitors

**ALND** - Axillary Lymph Node Dissection

**BIRAD** - Breast Imaging-Reporting and Data System

**BMI** - Body Mass Index

**BRCA1** - Breast CAncer gene 1

**BRCA2** - Breast CAncer gene 2

**BSAM** - Breast Self-Awareness Messages

**BSE** - Breast Self-Exam

**CAD** - Computer-Assisted Detection

**CAT scan** - Computer Axial Tomography

**CBE** - Clinical Breast Exam

**CIS** - Carcinoma in Situ

**CTC** - Circulating Tumor Cell

**CT** - Clinical Trials

**DCIS** - Ductal Carcinoma in Situ

**Dx** - Diagnosis

**ER** - Estrogen Receptor

**FISH** - Fluorescence in Situ Hybridization

**FNA** - Fine Needle Aspiration

**HER** - Human Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor

**HRT** - Hormone Replacement Therapy

**HT** - Hormone Therapy

**Hx** - History

**IBC** - Inflammatory Breast Cancer

**IDC** - Invasive Ductal Carcinoma

**IHC** - Immunohistochemistry

**ILC** - Invasive Lobular Carcinoma

**IRB** - Institutional Review Board

**LCIS** - Lobular Carcinoma in Situ

**LN** - Lymph Node

**MBC** - Metastatic Breast Cancer

**MHT** - Menopausal Hormone Therapy

**MBI** - Molecular Breast Imaging

**MRI** - Magnetic Resonance Imaging

**mTor** - Mammalian Target of Rapamycin Inhibitors

**NBCAM** - National Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness Day

**NED** - No Evidence of Disease

**NGO** - Non-Governmental Organization

**NSM** - Nipple Sparing Mastectomy

**PARP** - Poly(ADP-ribose) Polymerase (PARP) Inhibitors

**PCP** - Primary Care Provider

**PET** - Positron Emission Tomography

**PMH** - Postmenopausal Hormones

**PR** - Progesterone Receptor

**RCT** - Randomized Controlled Trials

**RT** - Radiation Therapy

**SERM** - Selective Estrogen Receptor Modulator

**TM** - Tumor Marker

**TNBC** - Triple Negative Breast Cancer

**TNM** - Tumor, Lymph Node, Metastasis  
(system for staging breast cancer)

## ACRONYMS FOR ORGANIZATION/MEETINGS RELEVANT TO BREAST CANCER

**AACR** - American Association for Cancer Research

**ACS** - American Cancer Society

**AMA** - American Medical Association

**ASCO** - American Society of Clinical Oncology

**BCRF** - Breast Cancer Research Foundation

**BCSC** - Breast Cancer Surveillance Consortium

**BHGI** - Breast Health Global Initiative

**C4YW** - Conference for Young Women Affected by Breast Cancer

**CDC** - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

**FDA** - Food and Drug Administration

**FORCE** - Facing Our Risk of Cancer Empowered

**HGEI** - The Harvard Global Equity Initiative

**HHS** - Department of Health and Human Services

**LBBC** - Living Beyond Breast Cancer

**MBCA** - Metastatic Breast Cancer Alliance

**MBCN** - Metastatic Breast Cancer Network

**NBCC** - National Breast Cancer Coalition

**NCI** - National Cancer Institute

**NIH** - National Institutes of Health

**ONS** - Oncology Nursing Society

**PAHO** - Pan American Health Organization

**PEPFAR** - The U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief

**SABCS** - San Antonio Breast Cancer Symposium

**SEER** - Surveillance Epidemiology and End Results

**SSO** - Society for Surgical Oncology

**SWHR** - Society for Women's Health Research

**TBCRC** - Translational Breast Cancer Research Consortium

**UICC** - Union for International Cancer Control

**USAID** - United States Agency for International Development

**WHO** - World Health Organization

**YSC** - Young Survival Coalition