

Rethinking breast cancer surgery

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During Breast Cancer Awareness Month in October, experts are reframing the thinking about treatment of the disease: it doesn't have to mean loss of your breasts.

TAKE VO

OSF HealthCare surgeon Doctor Greg Ward says breast preservation therapy – called a lumpectomy – is becoming more common.

He's also telling women that breast cancer is over 99 percent curable when caught early. So get on a mammogram schedule, and perform your monthly self-check.

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Dr. Greg Ward, OSF HealthCare surgeon

"There's a natural tendency to avoid the screening because people just don't want to get bad news. Sticking your head in the sand is not a good approach given how effective our treatments are." (:18)