

Imaging For Distant Metastases In Patients With Early Breast Cancer Continues.

[Medscape](#) (12/23) reports that “despite a recommendation against imaging for distant metastases in patients with early-stage breast cancer, and the fact that it was part of the American Society of Clinical Oncology’s (ASCO) 2012 list of five cancer practices that must stop, the practice continues.” Research presented at the San Antonio Breast Cancer Symposium found that “women with early-stage breast cancer are still undergoing imaging for distant metastases.” This “study corroborates a single-center study published” last month “in the Journal of Oncology Practice, which also shows that imaging continues.” Medscape adds that Lowell E. Schnipper, MD, chair of the ASCO Value in Cancer Care Task Force, said, “I am disappointed, but not surprised.”