

# Breast cancer projects in Africa

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# Why is that?

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- Lack of awareness
- Lack of training
- Lack of screening Programs
- Difficulties in Treatment
- Many other problems (minor?)

# Answers

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- Cancer awareness
- Breast Cancer training Program
- Breast cancer screening Programme
- Breast cancer treatment program
- Others programs

# Raise Breast cancer awareness

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- Focus on
  - Decision makers by Advocacy
    - ❖ Government
    - ❖ Parliament
  - General population: train the journalists and implement communication programs

# Breast cancer training programs

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- Train and involve the physicians
  - Training curricula
  - Continuous medical education
- Train the paramedics
  - Training curricula
  - Continuous medical education

# Breast cancer screening Program

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- Mammography ? (think mobile and digitalize : CR)
- BSE ?
- Breast clinical exam ?

# Breast cancer treatment Program

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- Implement a breast biopsy program: In Senegal 5 pathologists for 13 millions
- Access to surgery
- Radiation centers: 1 cobalt for all French Speaking West African country
- Access to chemotherapy drug
  - Availability of major drugs
  - Affordability: 2 boxes of Doxorubicin more than US\$100

# Other programs

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- Integrate breast cancer in other programs
  - maternal health including cervical cancer or family health
  - Women empowerment
- Cancer registration
- Fight Brain drain
- involve non health professionals (Ex: religious community)
- More sophisticated: cohort study in high risk groups, comparative study : Africans vs non Africans, genomics

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