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Women's pursuit in surpassing breast cancer

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The most common form of cancer present in women is breast cancer. Although its medical and physical aspects that affect the body are being intensively studied in the field of medicine right now, also a cure for it is being researched. Researches done about the lived experiences of the subjects are few compared to the more medical approach. The Philippine Society of Medical Oncology stated that the country has the highest incidence of breast cancer in Asia and an estimated 3 out of 100 Filipinos will contract the disease before the age of 75 and 1 out of 100 will likely die before 75. To better understand the experiences of women diagnosed with breast cancer, the interviews were purposively conducted, consisting of four key participants who have experienced affliction, two of whom are married and two are not. Being phenomenological in nature, the purpose of this endeavor is to illustrate the lived experiences and life perspective of breast cancer survivors for future references concerning breast cancer, the effects and the person who lives with it. In this study, social and mental support has also been identified as one of the important factors in overcoming cancer. This research aims to extend this kind of support to women diagnosed with this disease and to spread awareness to the posterity.

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