

Coalition on Abortion/Breast Cancer
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Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists' Drafted Guidelines on Abortion Cover Up Abortion-Breast Cancer Link, Say Coalition on Abortion/Breast Cancer, Researchers

Putting their wallets ahead of their patients' health much like tobacco executives, abortionists at the United Kingdom's Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (RCOG) have prepared preliminary, new guidelines on The Care of Women Requesting Induced Abortion that say, "Women should be informed that induced abortion is not associated with an increase in breast cancer." [1]

"Do they read standard medical texts at the RCOG?" asked Karen Malec, president of the Coalition on Abortion/Breast Cancer. "Increased childbearing, starting at a younger age, and increased duration of breastfeeding sharply reduce breast cancer risk. The woman choosing abortion has a greater risk than the one choosing to give birth.

"The RCOG's guidelines cite a review that says, 'Failure to provide this information is a direct threat to maternal autonomy, diminishing a woman's ability to give informed consent.' [2] The loss of the protective effect is only one of three breast cancer risks associated with induced abortion," said Mrs. Malec.

The guidelines acknowledge a "small increase in risk of subsequent preterm birth, which increases with the number of abortions." [3] Brent Rooney, a researcher in this field, called the RCOG's use of the word, "small," "the language of cover-up."

"Two Americans and three Australians have successfully [sued their doctors](#) for failing to warn about the risks of breast cancer and emotional harm," said Mrs. Malec. "It would serve them right at the RCOG to be sued for malpractice."

The closing date for healthcare officials to submit their consultations on the guidelines to the RCOG is February 26, 2011.

International experts on the abortion-breast cancer link have submitted their consultations. They include Professor Joel Brind (Deputy Chair for Biology and Environmental Sciences at Baruch College, City University of New York) and Patrick Carroll (a statistician and actuary from Pension and Population Research Institute in London). Read their submissions and a discussion of the RCOG's preliminary

guidelines in the following [commentary](#).

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