What is noninvasive breast cancer?

- It is a cancer of breast cells that haven’t grown into the breast’s fatty tissue. [10]
- There are two types. DCIS (ductal carcinoma in situ) is only in the breast ducts. Paget disease of the nipple is only in the nipple, areola, or both. [12]

How is Paget disease treated?

- Paget disease is a rare type of breast cancer. [15]
- An exam and imaging of your breast will be done to assess for abnormal tissue. [15]
- Tissue that may have cancer will be removed and tested. [17]
- Most people with Paget disease have cancer elsewhere in their breast. [18]
- For Paget disease only, your nipple-areola complex or whole breast may be removed. You may receive radiation therapy after the nipple-areola complex is removed. [18]
- Talk to your doctor about ways to prevent a second breast cancer. [18]
- After treatment ends, breast cancer tests are needed once or twice a year. [19]
How is DCIS treated?

- To help plan treatment, your doctor will ask about your health history. An exam and imaging of your breast will be needed. The breast cancer cells will be tested for estrogen receptors. 21
- You may meet with an expert in hereditary breast cancer. 23
- You may have one or more options for treatment. Many women can be treated with lumpectomy and breast radiation (AKA breast-conserving therapy). Most women have the option of having their whole breast removed (total mastectomy). Few women can have a lumpectomy without radiation. 24
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What are some tips for deciding treatment?

Ask your doctors many questions. Also, you can get a second opinion, use a decision aid, attend support groups, and compare pros and cons. 32