

What Does Participation Involve?

1. **Consent for the TRACEBACK team to access information required to run the study.**

This includes:

- Information about your/your deceased family member's cancer history
- Access to your/your deceased family member's medical records
- Access to previously stored pathology specimens if available

2. **Discussion with a genetic counsellor if required.**

3. **Voluntary involvement in the follow up/ evaluation study for TRACEBACK, to help us understand how patients and their families feel about the genetic testing experience.**

Please note all information and data collected will remain confidential. All testing that occurs as part of this project will be **free of charge**.



Where Can I Obtain More Information?

To find out more information:

- Please call the TRACEBACK team on **1800 955 011**

OR

- Visit the TRACEBACK website www.traceback.org.au

OR

- Email: Traceback@petermac.org



What Is TRACEBACK?

TRACEBACK is an Australian Government funded project aimed at reducing the number of new ovarian and breast cancers diagnosed in Australia by identifying families that may have a hereditary risk of cancer development due to inherited gene changes (mutations) in cancer risk genes, like *BRCA1* and *BRCA2*.

Performing genetic testing in women with ovarian cancer can help us identify gene changes in families that may put individuals at increased risk of developing many different types of cancer, including ovarian, breast, colon and prostate.

TRACEBACK will focus on testing women with a personal history of ovarian cancer who missed the opportunity to have genetic testing. This will include women who have died from their disease, with tissue samples that were stored at the time of their ovarian cancer surgery accessed for testing. Test results will be returned to family members to assist them in making an informed decision about genetic testing.

TRACEBACK will also help women living with ovarian cancer that are eligible for fully funded testing by assisting them in accessing current testing pathways.

Who Is Running TRACEBACK?

TRACEBACK is a collaboration between Ovarian Cancer Australia (OCA) and the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre (Peter Mac) along with Australian Ovarian Cancer Study (AOCS), Ovarian cancer Prognosis And Lifestyle study (OPAL) and the Australian Cancer Study (ACS) Australian and supported by federal government funding.

The study is coordinated by the TRACEBACK team of doctors and scientists at the Peter Mac in Melbourne and from sites across Australia. The TRACEBACK team are working closely with hospitals and research sites across the country.

Who Is Eligible?

If you meet either of the criteria below, you may be eligible for TRACEBACK:

1. If you have had a diagnosis of ovarian cancer, and have not previously received genetic testing.
2. If you are a family member of a woman who has previously been diagnosed with ovarian cancer, who did not receive genetic testing, and who has since died.

If you are interested in participating in TRACEBACK, but are unsure about whether or not you, or your family member, has already received genetic testing, please contact the TRACEBACK team.

What Next?

If you are interested in participating in TRACEBACK, please contact Ovarian Cancer Australia (OCA):

Phone 1800 955 011
Webpage www.traceback.org.au

OCA will collect your details, and pass them on to the TRACEBACK Study Investigators. The TRACEBACK Study Coordinator will contact you within 7–10 days to discuss the study in more detail, review the Patient Information and Consent Form with you, and answer any specific questions you have.

Please note participation in this project is voluntary and you have the right to withdraw at any time.

Your/your family member's personal information will be handled in accordance with ethical and scientific principles set out by the National Health and Medical Research Council of Australia, the Privacy Act 1988 and the Guidelines approved under section 95A of the Privacy Act (2001).

Your decision to participate in the study will not affect your current or future health care with Peter Mac, or other health care institutions.

