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Assistant Professor of Nursing Sharon Mills-Wisneski Examines Life After Breast Cancer

How do women regain a normal life after breast cancer? Assistant Professor **Sharon Mills-Wisneski**, of the **School of Nursing**, and her coworkers have addressed this important question in their recent paper **Breast Cancer Survivorship Program Testing for Cross-Cultural Relevance** (**Cancer Nursing**, Volume 32, Pages 236-245, 2009). They begin their article

"With advances in treatment, now, more than 2 million women with a past diagnosis of breast cancer are alive in the United States, representing one of the largest groups of cancer survivors. Despite long-standing evidence that after breast cancer treatment, women need continuing support to deal with the emotional, physical, and psychosocial concerns that arise, few programs have been developed to meet these needs. This gap in healthcare services was first highlighted in the Institute of Medicine's report on cancer survivorship, which emphasized that the 'transition from active treatment to social reintegration is crucial and should receive special attention in survivor's care.' Thus, the period after active treatment of breast cancer represents a particularly important 'teaching moment' to help women regain or adopt health promoting behaviors."

SUMMARY

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