

## **Young Women With DCIS May Have Poorer Outcomes With Lumpectomy.**

[MedPage Today](#) (10/12, Phend) reported, "Young women with ductal carcinoma in situ (DCIS) may get poorer outcomes with breast conserving surgery than older patients do, though survival is unaffected," according to a study presented at the ASCO Breast Cancer Symposium. The study included 1,659 "women under age 50 diagnosed with DCIS," of which "624 received lumpectomy and radiation therapy." Participants received "similar radiation doses" and underwent "boost radiation therapy to the surgical cavity." Researchers found that "local recurrence rates" differed "by age during the average 7.8 years of follow-up." In fact, "any local recurrence...was seen in 20 percent of those under age 40, in 19 percent of those 40 to 44, and in 12 percent of those 45 to 50." The researchers concluded that "the results emphasize the importance of good clinical follow-up and that omission of radiation is not suitable for any subgroup of younger women."