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September is Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month.

Ovarian cancer is a leading cause of cancer-related death in American women. This is largely
because early ovarian cancer often has no symptoms.

When symptoms do appear, they tend to be associated with other conditions. These symptoms
may include persistent bloating, pelvic or abdominal pain, difficulty eating or feeling full quickly and
frequent urination. Transvaginal ultrasound, pelvic exam and blood tests are currently the best methods to
diagnose the cause of these symptoms and determine whether they are from ovarian cancer. Early
diagnosis is key to successful treatment.

Your risk for ovarian cancer increases with age, and most cancers occur after menopause. Obesity
and a personal or family history of ovarian or breast cancer can increase your risk. While white women
have a higher rate of ovarian cancer diagnosis, Black women are more likely to die from the disease.

For more information, visit Radiology-Info-dot-org.

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