

| **Marlene & Joel King  
Breast Referral &  
Investigation Centre  
(CRID)  
Impact Report**

**AUGUST 2023**



Jewish  
General  
Hospital  
Foundation

---

## OVERVIEW

# The Marlene & Joel King Breast Referral & Investigation Centre

Approximately 1 in 8 women in Canada will develop breast cancer during her lifetime, making it the most prevalent cancer among Canadian women.

Early detection contributes to the reduction of breast cancer mortality and is a top priority for the Marlene & Joel King Breast Referral & Investigation Centre (CRID).

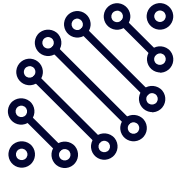
The CRID carries out extensive diagnostic services within the framework of the Quebec Breast Cancer Screening Program and is one of the best of its kind in Montreal and the province at large.

Performing approximately 14 000 examinations every year, the CRID's team is dedicated to supporting the health and well-being of every woman who walks through its doors.



---

## IMPACT AT A GLANCE



RENOVATIONS TO ACCOMMODATE A  
NEW STATE-OF-THE-ART BIOPSY TABLE



THIRD ULTRASOUND ROOM TO MEET  
THE NEEDS OF MORE PATIENTS



3D BREAST IMAGING EQUIPMENT  
FOR GREATER SCREENING ACCURACY



NEW HIGH-RESOLUTION MONITORS  
TO ASSIST WITH RAPID DETECTION

**More precision in  
breast cancer detection**

**More positive  
patient experiences**

**Your generosity makes  
an enormous impact**

**Every single day**



---

## IMPACT IN DETAIL

Thanks to your generous donations, the CRID has expanded to deliver extensive breast cancer screening with the highest levels of technological precision and patient comfort available.

In 2020-2021, the CRID underwent renovations to accommodate a new stereotactic breast biopsy table that is designed for efficiency and comfort. This state-of-the-art table allows the patient to rest face down during a biopsy to reduce adverse physical reactions and conceal the procedure from the patient's view. Optimal positioning for carrying out exams and a better patient experience are a few of the many positive outcomes.



New tomosynthesis machine at the CRID

**“We are now able to detect different types of cancers that would not be visible without the new equipment.” — Dr. Federico Discepola, Breast Imaging Component of the CRID**



---

## IMPACT IN DETAIL

Given that ultrasound exams and biopsies are key to the timely identification of cancer type and grade, the CRID has acquired new 3D imaging equipment and added a third ultrasound room to meet the needs of more patients.

The new tomosynthesis machine and Barco monitors work in tandem to produce 3D breast imaging with 12 million pixels of precision. The equipment targets subtle lesions in difficult-to-access areas with speed and accuracy that has surpassed the investigation team's expectations.

Improved detection rates, a reduced number of recalls and lower patient anxiety during the screening process are the direct results of the new-and-improved equipment. Overall, women have had a more positive experience at the CRID.

In 2021-2022, the CRID saw a 13% increase in the number of patients from 2020-2021. A slight decrease in 2022-2023 was due to staffing issues.



New, third ultrasound room at the CRID



---

## WHAT'S NEXT

Remaining at the forefront of breast cancer prevention and ensuring positive patient experiences are at the core of the CRID's commitment to excellence.

In the coming year, the Centre is aiming to meet its staffing needs so it will be better positioned to address waiting lists and provide necessary services to patients who need them.

Your contribution has made an enormous difference for patients every single day. With the right tools to detect breast cancer early on, more lives are being saved.

The CRID's team is so grateful for everything you've done. Together, we can continue to make more hopeful outcomes possible for women and families affected by breast cancer.

**THANK YOU.**

