NAPBC Breast Center Accreditation Consulting

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What to have ready

Each item below comes from the ACS NAPBC accreditation and FAQ pages, which govern applications under Optimal Resources for Breast Care (2024 or 2027 Standards), read October 2026.

- Your copy of Optimal Resources for Breast Care, and the edition that matches your anticipated visit year: 2024 for visits in 2026 and 2027, 2027 for visits from 2028 (ACS, NAPBC Accreditation [https://www.facs.org/quality-programs/cancer-programs/national-accreditation-program-for-breast-centers/accreditation/]).
- Your hospital's Commission on Cancer accreditation status, which ACS requires before an application filed in 2026 or later (same page).
- Confirmation of eligibility: the program has no accreditation history, or its earlier accreditation ended or it left the process (ACS, NAPBC FAQ [https://www.facs.org/quality-programs/cancer-programs/national-accreditation-program-for-breast-centers/frequently-asked-questions-about-napbc/]).
- A current Business Associate and Data Use Agreement (BA/DUA) with ACS. The application asks applicants to confirm one is in place, and ACS says programs already taking part in its quality improvement programs need not sign another (ACS, NAPBC Accreditation [https://www.facs.org/quality-programs/cancer-programs/national-accreditation-program-for-breast-centers/accreditation/]).
- Four preferred dates for the initial site visit, which the application asks for (same page).
- Committee and program records covering one full calendar year, the period the initial visit reviews (same page).
- A staffing plan for an in-person visit within 6 to 9 months of application approval; the FAQ rules out virtual initial visits (ACS, NAPBC FAQ [https://www.facs.org/quality-programs/cancer-programs/national-accreditation-program-for-breast-centers/frequently-asked-questions-about-napbc/]).
- A named owner for corrective action, because ACS requires it to be finished for any non-compliant standard before it grants Accredited status (ACS, NAPBC Accreditation [https://www.facs.org/quality-programs/cancer-programs/national-accreditation-program-for-breast-centers/accreditation/]).