

Run for her Life.



Susan Sandoval Run for
Ovarian Cancer

The Susan Sandoval Cancer fund was created to increase awareness of the signs, symptoms and risk factors for ovarian cancer as well as other gynecologic cancers (uterine, cervix, vulvar, vaginal and fallopian tube). The goals of the foundation are to educate and improve the care of women diagnosed with gynecologic cancers and focus on innovative research in this field. Susan Sandoval was diagnosed with stage three ovarian cancer in May 2005 and died May 2007, at the age of 53. She worked as a nurse at LDS and Primary Children's hospitals for 21 years. She had many friends, talked passionately about patient care and rights, and had incredible strength within her to always look at the positive in life and make the best of every day.

In 2007, the Department of OB/GYN hosted the inaugural Susan Sandoval Run for Ovarian Cancer. This event raised over \$13,000 and had over 400 runners and walkers. In 2008, with the help of our sponsors and participants, we raised over \$10,000 and had over 300 runners and walkers.

The 3rd Annual race will be held on **September 19th, 2009** at Sugarhouse Park. The proceeds from the race will be used to increase awareness of the signs, symptoms and risk factors for ovarian cancer as well as other gynecologic cancers (uterine, cervix, vulvar, vaginal and fallopian tube); and, also, to support innovative research in prevention, early detection, and treatment of gynecologic cancer.

To register for the event, please visit - <https://secure.uuhsc.utah.edu/ssrun/registration>

To reach a greater number of people and increase awareness of ovarian cancer symptoms, The University of Utah Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology is partnering with the HERA Women's Cancer Foundation and Montrail, maker of trail running and hiking footwear, to sponsor the eighth annual HERA Climb4Life on September 17-20, 2009. The Susan Sandoval Run for Ovarian cancer will be part of the HERA Climb4Life umbrella of activities which include rock climbing clinics, parties, gear raffle, yoga and massage. For those interested in registering for the HERA Climb4Life visit: www.herafoundation.org

