

Table 1. Themes on breast cancer screening barriers in Singapore

Themes	Subthemes	No. of times cited	Teo et al. <sup>24</sup> 2013	Wee et al. <sup>20</sup> 2012	Seetoh et al. <sup>8</sup> 2014	Lim et al. <sup>18</sup> 2015	Wee et al. <sup>27</sup> 2016	Wee et al. <sup>21</sup> 2016	Malhotra et al. <sup>22</sup> 2016	Wong et al. <sup>19</sup> 2017	Shaw et al. <sup>25</sup> 2018	Bilger et al. <sup>23</sup> 2020
Perceived cost/barriers versus the benefits of breast screening	Fear	8										
	Fear of screening procedure	4			✓	✓		✓		✓		
	Fear of screening outcomes/diagnosis	4		✓				✓	✓			✓
	Personal challenges	7										
	No time	4	✓	✓		✓		✓				
	Inconvenience	3		✓				✓	✓			
	Cost	6										
	Screening costs	4	✓	✓		✓		✓				
	Treatment costs	2						✓				✓
	Modesty /embarrassment	4				✓	✓		✓		✓	
Perceived susceptibility to breast cancer	Distrust	3						✓	✓		✓	
	“I’m not at risk”	5		✓	✓	✓		✓		✓		
	“I’m healthy”	5		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Perceived severity and cues to undergo breast cancer screening	Fatalistic/cultural beliefs	3						✓	✓		✓	
	Doctor-patient relationship	4				✓	✓	✓	✓			
	Forgetfulness	3							✓	✓	✓	
Perceived self-efficacy	Awareness on seriousness of breast cancer and importance of screening	2		✓					✓			
	Self-worth and influence of family	3				✓		✓			✓	

Superscript numbers: Refer to REFERENCES