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Createspace Independent Publishing Platform, United States, 2013. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English. Brand new Book. In this systematic evidence review, we evaluate data on the relationship between the use of postmenopausal hormone replacement therapy (HRT) and the risk of breast cancer (BCA). The context of this review is in the overall evaluation of postmenopausal hormone replacement therapy as chemoprophylaxis for chronic conditions. The results from this report will be used as part of an overall report on the risks and benefits of hormone replacement therapy for postmenopausal women. Hormone replacement therapy is used in the United States and worldwide to treat symptoms of menopause and to prevent chronic conditions such as osteoporosis. It is one of the most commonly prescribed drugs in the U.S.; a recent survey in the U.S. of postmenopausal women ages 50 to 75 showed that nearly 38% of women were currently using estrogen or hormone replacement therapy (58.7% of those with prior hysterectomy and 19.6% without hysterectomy). A major and as yet unanswered clinical question is whether hormone replacement therapy increases a woman's risk of breast cancer. This issue is a critical one because the use of HRT is prevalent and because breast cancer is a...



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