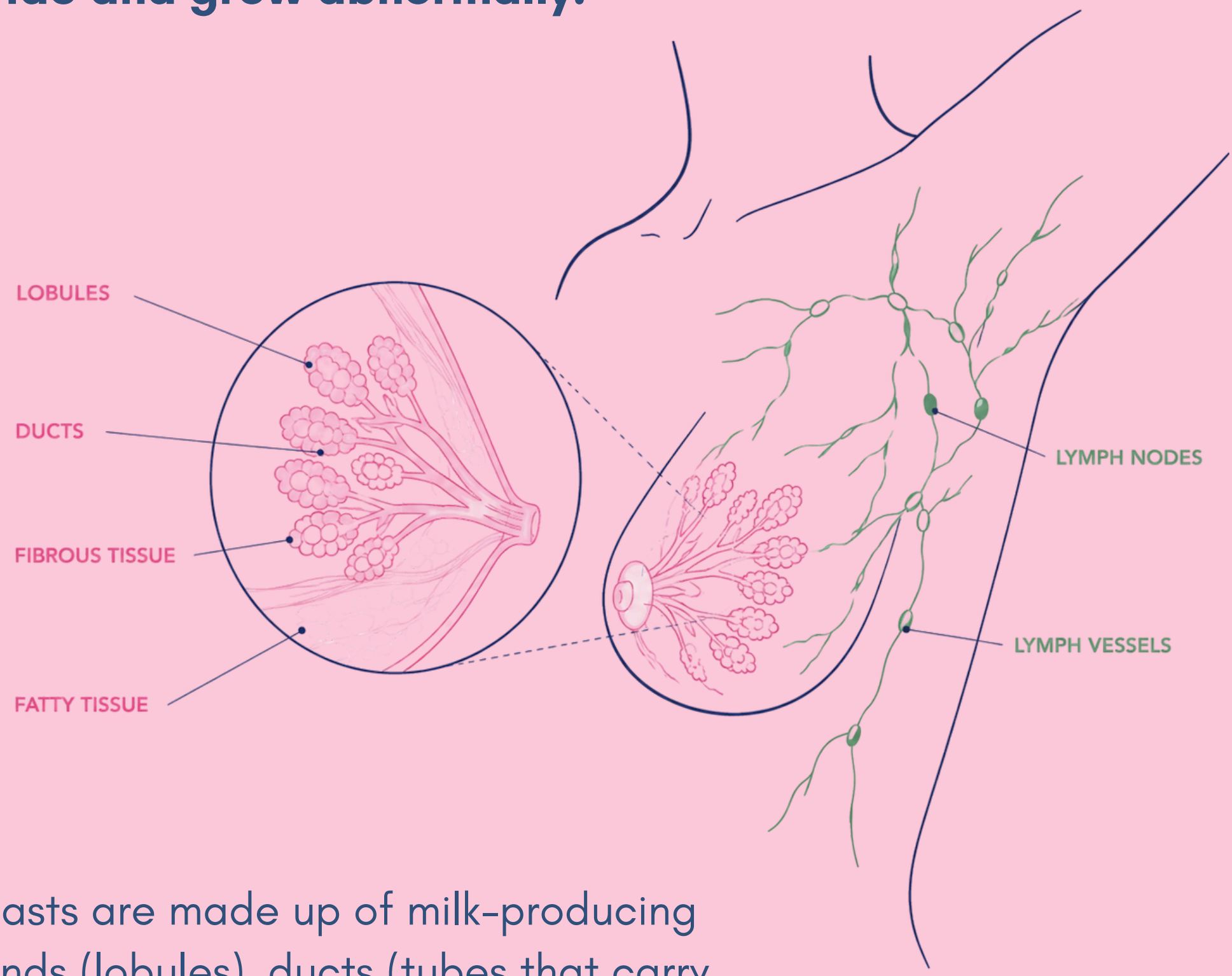
Breast Cancer Support Gibraltar

WHAT IS BREAST CANCER

THE BREASTS & LYMPH NODES

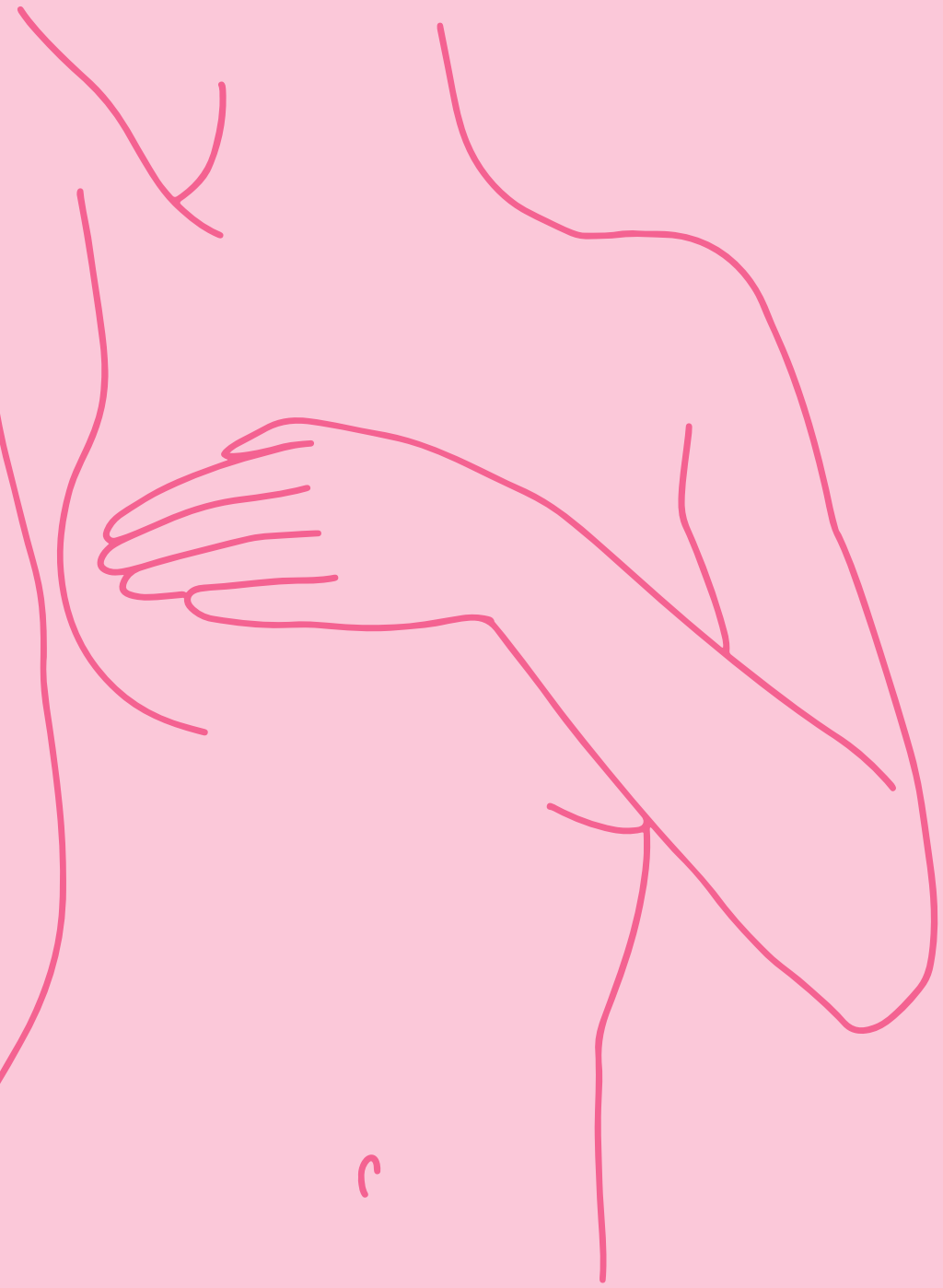
Breast cancer starts when cells in the breast begin to divide and grow abnormally.



Breasts are made up of milk-producing glands (lobules), ducts (tubes that carry milk to the nipple) and fibrous and fatty tissue. They also contain lymph vessels, which drain fluid to nearby lymph nodes under the arm.

PRIMARY & SECONDARY

Breast cancer is generally divided into two main types: primary breast cancer and secondary breast cancer.



Primary breast cancer is cancer that is in the breast, and has not spread further than the breast or lymph nodes.

Secondary breast cancer is when cancer cells have spread from the breast through the lymphatic or blood circulation to other parts of the body.

KNOW YOUR NORMAL

Become familiar with how your breasts normally look and feel.

The sooner breast cancer is detected, the more treatment options may be available.

TOUCH.
LOOK.
CHECK.



Remember:

Most breast changes are **not** breast cancer, but it's always important to have new or unusual changes checked by a healthcare professional.

NEED SUPPORT?

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