

Bill # 862

On Sat, Feb 9, 2013 at 8:30 PM, Joan C Liska <joancliska@att.net> wrote:

You don't know me, but I am a friend of Kirk Davis and am in awe of his successes in the last year. He is a huge advocate of your early detection program and after listening to him I felt it was something I may want to take advantage of. My grandfather and father both had emphysema and who knows what else as they didn't have autopsies - both were heavy smokers. I started smoking at 16 and stopped at 60 with hiatuses in between; when I smoked it was about a pack a day for approximately 35 - 38 years..... a lot of cigarettes!! The worst of it is I was a nurse!!!

Add to that the fact that I have already had cancer twice - endometrial found in 1999 partially because I requested a D&C and a melanoma in 2010 again found because I went to a dermatologist and asked to have it checked - I felt I was probably a good candidate for the screening. I discussed this with my doctor (Malcolm Gourlie) and he hadn't really heard about it so I explained what I knew and after two false starts (scheduling the wrong scans) I finally had it on 2/6/13. Dr. Gourlie called on 2/7/13 with the results which were thankfully negative at least for now.

My point in contacting you is threefold. First to say what a wonderful affordable tool that saved my friend's life. Secondly I think it's really important to convey the availability of this program more aggressively to both the general public and the medical community. And thirdly to thank you for having this program available. Although no "cancer" was found, there were two spots - BB size and smaller that we will now keep an eye on. And the other medical info the scan showed was an added bonus; the detailed report was amazing to me for such a quick scan. I now have peace of mind and a baseline off which to work in the future.

Keep up the good work!!!

Joan Liska  
Sent from my iPad