

**From:** Heather Predham  
**To:** Patricia Pilgrim;  
**Subject:** RE:  
**Date:** August-04-06 3:06:58 PM

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HI,

I have the times of Diagnosis of DCIS: [REDACTED] was 1999, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are both 2001. The pathologist is Ms [REDACTED] case is still here. I can't tell in who was the pathologist on the other two as they are in addendum status in the computer.

When I spoke with bev, she said she needed to speak to nash before she told me about those 6. She was going to try and get in touch with him today and call me, if not he's back on monday

Pat, can you call me when you get a chance, I'm concerned about the notification process for the retro's, given the media attention.....

Heather

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From: Patricia Pilgrim  
 Sent: Friday, August 04, 2006 2:59 PM  
 To: Heather Predham  
 Subject:

Heather...Please read to ensure accuracy....third bullet I am not sure if I got this right.....then I will FAX to Dr, W so he will know the status and perhaps not call you at home to get the update.....Do not mind that I have Roger Green's e-mail attached....just my boo boo...I am not sending that to Dr. W. Pat

Hi there Dr. W, I followed up with Heather today as per your request re the following:

- . notification of "retro converters". Heather is waiting for Dr. Denic to return from holidays this coming Monday (August 7th). She will talk to him and they will go from there....Dr. Zulficar will be approached on this as they proceed.
- . the time the original diagnoses were made on the patients with the confirmed DCIS misdiagnosis. Heather will gather this information and send it to you.
- . the status of the 6 DCIS cases needing review and final verification. Heather indicated to me that these had been reviewed by Dr. Denic and Bev Carter was very confident that there were no issues with them. Bev Carter is following up

on this and we will get the final answer within the next few days.  
ENJOY THE REST OF YOUR HOILDAY....I feel rotten even saying that to you...  
given my behaviour thus far! Pat

-----Original Message-----

From: Joyce Penney  
Sent: Friday, August 04, 2006 12:45 PM  
To: Executive Team Eastern Health May 2005  
Subject: FW: "Faulty diagnoses for cancer patients, lawsuit alleges" - Roger Green

Hi There:

Received in the CEO's account yesterday. Forwarded for your information.

Dr. Williams/Susan/Pat Pilgrim:  
Is there a need to formally respond to Mr. Green?. Your thoughts  
Thanks

Joyce

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-----Original Message-----

From: Roger Green [<mailto:rcgreen@mun.ca>]  
Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2006 3:47 PM  
To: ceo@easternhealth.ca; Deborah Thomas-Pennell; Susan Bonnell  
Cc: clarkin@mun.ca  
Subject: Re: "Faulty diagnoses for cancer patients, lawsuit alleges"

Re: "Faulty diagnoses for cancer patients, lawsuit alleges"

<http://www.cbc.ca/canada/newfoundland-labrador/story/2006/08/02/medical-lawsuit.html>

This CBC story gives the impression that between 1-in-10 and 1-in-5 of all breast cancer diagnoses made in the Eastern Health Region were wrong. I would hope that this is a mis-reporting of the truth.

I am assuming that someone has mixed up the cancer DIAGNOSIS with the results of the estrogen receptor tests.

In any event, there are likely to be a lot of very anxious survivors (or relatives) who think they could have been mis-diagnosed.

Surely this story should be corrected immediately.

Roger Green

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