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To: Erica Warren
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Hi Erica:

There is a history on this one.

Unfortunately, the mistakes that occurred with ER/PR testing has identified some people who may have received inappropriate treatment. This was only detected recently. Some got treatments not needed, other never got something they should have.

We are currently retesting hundreds of samples going back 6 years. Some change, most do not. All individuals have been contacted, etc.

Anyway, her diagnosis and treatment should be discussed with her oncologist. What happened? How this changes her situation? Future treatments etc can all be dealt with by her Dr.

Not sure why the Clinic would refer her to you on the travel side. Obviously, HRLE may assist or the Medical Transportation Assistance program under us maybe possible. Marlene Wall is the manager there....3108.

Let me know if you need more.
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>>> Erica Warren 2006-03-03 1:38 PM >>>

Hi,

Had a call from [REDACTED] a constituent of Jim's. She had tests done at the Health Sciences quite awhile ago. She was diagnosed with cancer, but tests came back saying it "wasn't estrogen related" and that she needed chemotherapy.

Has just rec'd a letter, stating that her cancer "was estrogen related". Apparently she didn't need the chemotherapy, she could have been put on the drug "tamoxifen". So she basically went through years of chemo for nothing. Now she needs to be tested for liver damage, needs a bone scan etc.

I know there are more like her that have been misdiagnosed. She is wondering what is going to be done about this. She is an [REDACTED] has to travel now to St. John's for tests again, back out to [REDACTED] then to [REDACTED] Money is obviously an issue here, let alone the obvious stresses that have occurred because of this. She contacted the Cancer Center, and was told that her "MHA should be looking into this for her" So her I am.

What is going on with this issue?

thank you,
Erica