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Re: Diane

Dear Sirs:

Mrs. has carcinoma of the left breast. She requires a mastectomy and she has a desire to obtain a reconstruction. She sought two opinions, one by Hilton Becker, M.D. and one with Lawrence M. Korpeck, M.D. She has expressed strong feelings to pursue her care with Dr. Becker.

Dr. Korpeck is an excellent plastic surgeon. He does breast reconstruction and I have worked with him many times in the past. It is important to recognize though that Dr. Hilton Becker probably has more experience with prosthetic breast reconstruction than anyone in Southern Florida and that experience may be important in any given patient. It certainly appears to be important to Mrs. . It seems appropriate to me, considering the nature of this process, for a patient to pursue the physician which has the most experience if she feels that it is important. I support her wish to pursue reconstruction with Dr. Becker based on the above.

If you have any further questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,



Lee A. Porterfield, M.D.

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