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(Someone to talk to....who understands)

Happy New year to all the members and supporters of the Harvey Floyd Chapter of Us TOO .

Our support group vision is: "To provide the highest level of leadership, compassion and promotion of an enhanced understanding of prostate cancer while improving the quality of life for survivors, their families and men at risk through proactive programs and positions".

Biochemical Recurrence

Biochemical recurrence is a post-treatment increase in prostate-specific antigen (PSA) level, indicating that prostate cancer has recurred or spread following the original treatment for prostate cancer. It is also called biochemical failure. It can occur in up to 35% of men who have already received treatment with radical prostatectomy or radiation therapy. The only evidence of cancer recurrence in these men is an elevation of the PSA level.

Most men who are diagnosed with prostate cancer and who undergo curative treatment may not have a biochemical recurrence of the disease. A considerable number of men, however, will notice a rise in prostate-specific antigen (PSA) following primary treatment, suggesting a treatment failure and a recurrence of the disease.

Measuring the prostate cancer recurrence rate is difficult because risk factors vary widely from patient to patient. Prostate cancer recurrence risk factors include PSA level, Gleason score and the cancer's latest stage. If the prostate has been removed, it may be tested to offer details about the aggressiveness of the cancer and the risk of recurrence.

Our January Support Group meeting will be Monday, January 8 @ 7:00 p.m. Our speaker will be **Dr. Samuel Sterrett of Greenville Palmetto Urology**. Our Topic will be Biochemical recurrence. We look forward to seeing each and everyone.

<u>Upcoming Outreach Events</u>	<u>Upcoming Meetings</u>		We thank the Upstate Prostate Cancer Alliance for sponsoring our Refreshments
	Feb. 5 - To Be Announced Mar. 5 -Genomic Health Inc -Topic: Genomic Testing		
	Chapter Leader	Johnny Payne	864-616-0923
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	Associate Leader	Bob Milks	864-414-7780
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Thanks to the Greenville Health System and the American Cancer Society for your support.		Please let us know of any changes of If you no longer wish to receive this newsletter. Contact Bob Cardone @ 864-630-0362	

Meetings are held at Fellowship Greenville Church, 3161 S. Highway 14, the 1st Monday of each month at 7:00 pm (no meetings June, July or August): Directions: From the intersection of I85 and I385 – Take I85N toward airport 3.3 miles, exit 54: bear to the right onto Pelham Road; Follow Pelham Road 1.7 miles to Highway 14: Turn right – Fellowship Greenville will be just down the road ½ mile on the left. (For information. call 414-7780 or 616-0923)