

Speaker 1:

Okay. We have [inaudible 00:00:02] here. She is one month out from her capsulectomy. She had breast implants done in 2011. Tell me about some of your symptoms that you were having while your breast implants were in?

Speaker 2:

Other than the pain and the swelling, very low energy. I had skin issues, very hard to concentrate, digestive system. There's a lot of stuff that was going on, that I thought was just coming with age and...

Speaker 1:

When did you realize that it may be your breast implants that were causing some of your symptoms?

Speaker 2:

After the second time I went in for surgery to get the scar tissue removed, because I did get a contractor thing there, I started to realize that everything kept coming back. It would be good for just a little bit, and then again, the swelling, the inflammation and everything else just started just to get worse, worse, worse, worse, and that's everything from... Imagine just being sick all the time, having a cold, that little recovery time that you have afterwards, and then back again.

Speaker 1:

Yeah. That's tough. Well, how did you hear about breast implant illness?

Speaker 2:

I actually found out after I put the surgery and looked for the date and everything, because the way that it came to me that I had to take them out, it was just by myself. I was just sitting there, something came to me, and I said, "Okay, it's your breasts." When I started to research about it, soon I started to see a lot of women with the same thing, same issues. The moment they took them out, they started to feel better. I looked at the symptoms. So pretty much after the surgery, that's when everything just started to come in.

Speaker 1:

When did you come across Dr. [Bergdorf 00:02:00], and how did you know he was the surgeon for you?

Speaker 2:

He actually came up in the list of doctors that know how to do the procedure. So, I looked up here in Nashville, and he was one of them. So, closest to the house and everything, and then when I talked to you guys, you guys did the full thing, the cleaning and everything, so.

Speaker 1:

And then, how do you feel one month post-op?

Speaker 2:

I feel really good. I was worried that I was going to feel empty, but I feel very normal, very normal, more energies. I sleep better. It's weird, because I got more energies and I'm sleeping so much better. And my hair growth, everything is just more. I thought it was because of age and it wasn't. I wasn't well.

Speaker 1:

Yeah.

Speaker 2:

I can see at night too, a lot better.

Speaker 1:

Yeah. I heard you say to Dr. Bergdorf that he saved your life. Tell me a little bit about that.

Speaker 2:

Yes. I was kind of giving up hope on everything. No matter what I did, if I worked out every day, ate good, I cook in the house and everything, [inaudible 00:03:02], and it's like I got y life back. I can do stuff and I want to do stuff, without feeling tired or having to feel like I have to just deal with something. No, he fixed it. It's a good fix. Eternally, physically, everything just got fixed.