

## Participate in the Fibrolamellar Cancer Foundation Biobank

# THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING DONATING YOUR TUMOR TISSUE TO THE FIBROLAMELLAR CANCER FOUNDATION BIOBANK.

As a biobank contributor, you are directly helping us to increase research done in fibrolamellar. It is important to understand that making a donation to the biobank in no way effects your care or any research that may go on at the hospital where your surgery is performed. We only request tissue that the hospital does not need and in most cases this valuable tissue would be discarded following surgery.

#### HOW TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE BIOBANK:

If you have an upcoming surgery: Contact Patty Cogswell as far in advance as possible.

Patty will work through the consent process with you and then she will make arrangements with the hospital to

collect tissue that is not needed for your care.

If you had surgery in the past: Tissue from a previous surgery might be stored at the

hospital where you were treated. Contact Patty to let her know when and where you had surgery, and she will

attempt to locate and obtain this tissue.

### OUR GOAL IS TO MAKE THE PROCESS AS SIMPLE AS POSSIBLE FOR YOU.

You will need to sign a consent form to allow us to inquire about your tissue. Once that is complete, your job is done. We will take care of contacting the hospital and coordinating the transfer of the tissue. Contacting us prior to surgery is best, but we may also be able to obtain tissue from a previous surgery. For every case we will inquire to determine whether tissue is available. All tissue is valuable for various aspects of research. If you want to contribute tissue but are not sure of the availability or value, please contact us. We will do the work to determine this for you and talk with you about any questions you have.

#### **CONTACT US:**

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