

Summer 2021

Dear Friend.

Thank you for supporting Baylor Scott & White Cancer Center - College Station. Because of generous donors like you, cancer patients like Deborah have life-saving stories to share. Enclosed, I am pleased to share her story and highlights from 2020 with you.

From the challenges of the ongoing pandemic to one of the worst winter storms Texans have ever experienced, philanthropy has never meant more for our patients and community. Your gifts allow us to continue to serve and provide uninterrupted cancer care throughout these unprecedented times.

We remain focused on providing the safe, quality care you have come to expect from us. Thank you for supporting us through your generous donations. We commit to continue to earn your trust.

We are deeply appreciative of your partnership and generous support. It means the world to us.

Sincerely,

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#### **Deborah is Cancer Free**



"I know I can go anywhere in the Baylor Scott & White network and be treated. They would have all my records, everything. That's important to me. It's a jewel, it's wonderful."

In 2017, Deborah and her late husband received the news that he had cancer. Unfortunately in 2018, Deborah was diagnosed with breast cancer. During her husband's treatment she was his caretaker and was forced to travel back and forth to another cancer facility.

When Deborah received her diagnosis she didn't know what to do or where to turn.
When searching for options, she discovered Baylor Scott & White Cancer Center - College Station was five minutes from her home and found relief in not having to stress about traveling to receive quality care.
"Baylor Scott & White, having a presence here with the cancer center, checked off so many boxes. It was a Godsend for me," said Deborah. Deborah felt like she was more than a patient, she was a friend. She was able to play a role in her treatment plan and help make decisions for her care.

Deborah is three years cancer free and grateful for the care she received.

# **Your Generosity At Work**

2020 Highlights: Baylor Scott & White Cancer Center - College Station

15,769 total chemo and medical infusions8,897 infusion visits4,150 medical oncology visits





4,811 radiation treatments919 radiation visits244 new radiation consults

Over **400** patients received services such as counseling, community services, transportation, and general check-ins from Nurse Navigators in the Cancer Center.





- ★ Achieved the Commission on Cancer® Accreditation, which is a 3-year accreditation.
- ★ Won best Cancer Center in the Best of the Brazos Valley awards.

Two new providers joined the Oncology and Supportive & Palliative Care teams at the Cancer Center.





In 2020, our Financial Counselors helped more than **120** patients save on high cost medications by using drug replacement programs.

## **Opportunities to Enhance Cancer Care**

## Lymphedema Therapy Program



One of the biggest barriers to care within our Cancer Program is access to Lymphedema Therapy.

Lymphedema is the swelling due to a build up

of lymph fluid in the body. It is a common side effect of Cancer and Cancer Treatment that can often have a devastating psychological toll on our patients. The best treatment we can provide our patients for Lymphedema is education about how to prevent it, as well as how to detect the signs and symptoms at an early stage. Our goal is to provide access to these services by helping staff obtain Lymphedema Therapy certification.

## **Nurse Navigators**

Nurse Navigators help eliminate barriers to care and provide guidance, education, and emotional support throughout the challenging cancer journey. Establishing a



Nurse Navigator Endowment Fund will allow patients continued care and support by a Nurse Navigator.



To learn more about these opportunities, visit our website CTXFoundation.BSWHealth.com or contact Kassi Horner, Director of Philanthropy, at 979.571.4872.