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## Lionel's Story: A Great Life with a Neobladder, 25 Years Later

Lionel Cohen is a 25-year bladder cancer survivor and credits his longevity to <u>his decision to have his bladder</u> <u>removed and get a neobladder</u> more than two decades ago, and also to the skill and expertise of Dr. Gary Steinberg, his surgeon.

#### Read Lionel's amazing story here

For more information about Lionel's urinary diversion, a neobladder, we invite you to watch our free webinar, <u>The Care and Keeping of a Neobladder</u>.

# 2023 Spring Patient Summit - Register Now



To help bring important BCAN programming closer to where people live, we will be hosting two Bladder Cancer Summits for Patients and Families in 2023.

Our first of two summits will be held in **Phoenix**, **Arizona on March 31 and April 1st**, 2023 at the conveniently-located Airport Marriott. Click below for more details and to register.

#### **Register here**

#### 2023 is the Year of the Walk!

The <u>Walks to End Bladder Cancer</u> are right around the corner. **Our goal this year is to raise \$1 million** to help bladder cancer patients and we need your help.

Please register for a local or virtual Walk and help us kick start Walk season. The sooner we start, the more we can help bladder cancer patients and those who love them. Thank you!



Join us at a 2023 Walk

### **NEW!** Weekly Bladder Cancer News and Support

Beginning tomorrow, January 4, 2023, BCAN will distribute a **weekly eupdate called Bladder Cancer Briefs**.

True to its name, this update will contain brief items of interest to the bladder cancer community, including patient stories, research updates, support services and other news items.



#### Wednesday, January 4, 2023



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> What to Know About BCG Treatments for Bladder Cancer with Dr. Ashish Kamat



Have you ever wondered what it would be like, before, during and after BCG treatment? In <u>this Bladder</u> <u>Cancer Matters podcast</u>, Dr. Ashish Kamat of MD Anderson Cancer Center walks you through exactly what you can expect.

#### Learn about BCG treatments

Never miss an episode of Bladder Cancer Matters by subscribing in your favorite podcasting platform like <u>Apple Podcasts</u>, <u>Google Podcasts</u> and <u>Spotify</u>.

### **Upcoming Webinars**

Moving Through Bladder Cancer - How Exercise Impacts Your Treatment and Mental Health January 11, 2023 | 5:30 pm ET Register now

When Cure Is Not An Option | Managing Difficult Conversations and Treatments at End of Life January 25th | 5:00 PM ET Register now Expanding Treatment Options for NMIBC – Introducing a Novel Therapy for Those Who Do Not Respond to BCG May 9, 2023 | 04:00 PM ET Register now

View past webinars by topic



### We Thank You

Thanks to generous donors like you, BCAN will be able to do even more for bladder cancer patients and their loved ones in 2023.

We are truly grateful and members of the BCAN patient community have a message for you in the video to the left.



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