

Survivor Stories: Annette's Advice

What Diagnostics Give You the Most Confidence

I think for me, emotionally PET CTs. Cognitively, probably liquid biopsies. I find it interesting. When we got the liquid biopsy back, that was positive that I just could not wrap my brain around the fact that it meant it was gone. Like there is something about-- it's really weird, but it just-- I guess it's new. It's something we're not used to and it's -- and you're so trained. I'm so trained. I mean like working in-- like everyone, I know all the people I work with, they've all had CT scans and MRIs. We're so heavily dependent on scans for all diagnosis. Any kind of soft tissue or anything is so scan heavy that I think I've just trained my brain to also depend heavily on that PET CT scan. I don't really trust the regular CT scan, I guess if they grew to a point where we could measure that they were growing, then yes, it would be cancer. My little tumors that are left, but, or whatever, they are these spots that are left on my lungs. So they're just monitoring them to see if they grow on the CT scans. I know a PET CT would pick that up way before we watched them grow.