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Testimony:

my name is Alexis and I have an issue with the medical department.

I dont remember exactly when but I believe sometime in the beginning of 2024 I caught a Kidney stone when I was at Carl Robinson CI and was sent to UConn for a ct scan. During that scan they did find a small kidney stone but also found something else in which they called an incidental find. They said I should see a GI and also get a colonoscopy. I never saw the GI and never got a colonoscopy.

Fast forward to the end of 2024 I was writing to medical and kept complaining of stomach issues and not being able to use the bathroom regularly. My bowel movement went from regular to a little to a pebble to nothing. Every time I was seen because I kept writing and complaining they kept saying I was constipated and keep giving me laxative. I kept telling them that something is really wrong that I wasn't constipated but they just kept saying that I was constipated. In one occasion they gave me something called a "bomb" in which it should have flushed me out but it didn't all it did was make me throw up.

It got to the point where I wasn't using the bathroom for I dont know exactly for how long and the pains where very bad. So finally on 2/4/2025 the nurse that was on shift took me serious because I literally cried to him and told him that something is really wrong that I'm not using the bathroom and I'm cramping and the pains are excruciating and now I'm throwing up. He ask what color was the throw up, I told him brown and he said I might be throwing up feces! I said it doesn't taste like poop and he said it probably won't and doesn't taste like it but that I'm most likely throwing up poop! He called the Dr and he came back and said they're sending me out to UConn.

I get to the E.R they do a ct scan after like 2-3 hrs of waiting in excruciating pain. Once the ct technician got the image he look at the C.O and told him that I wasn't going anywhere that I would be admitted. Again not a Dr but the technician knew it was bad! The image he saw had me so full of feces that at any moment it would have exploded. Luckily it didn't bust because I could've died!!!

They rushed me to emergency surgery. I asked if they can call my emergency contact seeing I'm goin into emergency major surgery and anything can happen, but they never contacted my sister!

When I woke up from surgery and became coherent I realized I had staples from the bottom of my chest to about 2 inches under my bellybutton and also a colostomy bag! I was in UConn for maybe a month. In that month I went thru maybe a couple minor surgeries. Was fed thru an iv for maybe 2-3 weeks,I lost 30lbs. They tested the obstruction and it came back that I had stage 3 cancer!

After I was discharged I went to the infirmary at MacDougall CI for maybe 2 months before I started chemo. I went thru 6 months of chemo, at this time I was moved to one of if not the nastiest facility Osborn CI. Before chemo though I don't remember exactly when but I had to go into surgery to insert a port inside me for the chemo. I would go to UConn every 2 weeks for 3 days for chemo. Dealing with what chemo makes you go thru! I completed chemo and fast forward to I believe 3/10/2026 I went into another surgery to remove the colostomy bag. A surgery that should've been thru three different small incisions and take 3-5 hrs took almost 8hrs because their was so much scar tissue from the first surgery that the Dr had to cut me open again and needed 2-3 hands to help her complete the survey successfully.

I had to go thru the whole process all over again as far as getting fed thru an iv and losing this time 20lbs.

I went thru the ringer, it's been a rough year but luckily I'm alive today and cancer free!!!!

This is my Cancer story! Thank you for your time. I don't need to submit this anonymously. I just want to let whoever needs to know how horrible D.O.C medical is.