

Email Exchange with Plastic Surgeon Dr. Volpe

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From: "Kaylee [REDACTED]"
Sent: 8/18/2016 4:09:07 PM
To: gvolpe@massmed.org
Subject: Website Lead (www.cosmeticsurgeryexperts.com)

[REDACTED]
Name: Kaylee [REDACTED]
Phone: [REDACTED]
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Address: , ,
Age: 25
Gender: Female
Time Frame For Surgery: Within 0-2 months
Procedures of Interest:
Question/Message: Hello, [REDACTED]

It will be 6 years this January since I had my implants done by Dr. Volpe. I am constantly asked about the doctor that did my implants and still to this day refer numerous friends to him.

About a year ago I became very ill and have seen every type of doctor and had about every test possible done to find out what could be causing my symptoms. It wasn't until 2 months ago that I learned of breast implant illness. Once I did lots of researched about the illness I reached out to Dr. Susan Kolb in Atlanta who specializes in explant surgery.

I wanted to reach out to Dr. Volpe to get his input and professional advise on the situation.

Sent from: <http://www.cosmeticsurgeryexperts.com/contact-boston-plastic-surgeon/>

On Aug 18, 2016, at 7:08 PM, A. George Volpe MD <gvolpe@massmed.org> wrote:

Hi Kaylee,
It would be wise to come in and I would be happy to go over everything with you. Be wary of opinions that do not agree with extensively researched medical issues. Just give a call and set something up (remember no fees for all this).
Hope to see you,
Dr Volpe

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From: "Kaylee [REDACTED]"
Sent: 2/23/2017 12:06:05 PM
To: "A. George Volpe MD" <gvolpe@massmed.org>
Subject: Re: Website Lead (www.cosmeticsurgeryexperts.com)

Dr. Volpe,

On 10/3/16 I had my implants removed by Dr. Feng in Ohio.

In August 2016 I reached out to you to get your advice regarding a link between my declining health and my implants .

I find it quite odd that in response to my email you advised me to "Be wary of opinions that do not agree with extensively researched medical issues". I'd like to know what extensive research you were referring to?

Since I explanted 5 months ago a lot of my symptoms have subsided and the ones that remain are much better than they were before.

After suffering for countless years with no answers, I will be putting all my effort into advocating for women who were not fully informed of all the health risks that came with getting breast implants.

In all the research I've done, I have yet to find any studies of the long term health risks of breast implants. That may be because there has been no research carried out long enough to prove the long term effects, but if you have information proving otherwise I'd be very interested to see it.

Providing your patients with all the information, including the the percentage of women that experience the vast amount of negative effects from implants should be mandatory. If this information is denied to them before the decision is made to get implants, you're only doing a disservice to your patients.

I have no complaints about the job you did on my implants, I think you are an extremely talented surgeon. However, had I known the information I know now about the risks of breast implants, I may have decided that the cons far outweighed the pros.

The decision I made was based off the information I was given. Had I known differently my health would be in a much different place right now, along with my financial state, and countless other aspects of my life.

Thank you,
Kaylee [REDACTED]

A. George Volpe MD <gvolpe@massmed.org> Feb 23 to me

Hi Kaylee,

I am delighted you are feeling better. There is a lot of research on breast implants that can be obtained through the FDA and the Institute of Medicine (an independent group that has nothing to do with plastic surgery). The consensus after now 26 years of intensive study is that there is no systemic disease associated with breast implants of the type you had assuming no infection. There is one issue with McGhan textured implants and other implants not allowed in the U.S. But all evidence to this point is negative. But that does not mean something won't show up in the future- lots of centers are studying them!

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