
collection of extra stem cells

Posted by Awolver3 - 2008/07/09 15:15

Does anyone know of any institutions that do not collect extra stem cells during harvest? The facility at which I am considering treatment refuses to collect any extra stem cells, and, I understand that after an auto transplant, one cannot have stem cells harvested again. So, I am worried that if the cells are contaminated or I need a transplant later, I would not be able to have another auto transplant. Thoughts?

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Re:collection of extra stem cells

Posted by beth - 2008/07/09 16:52

Hi -

It's possible to collect stem cells again, but not as quickly and easily, usually, as the first time. I had enough for 3 collected at one place and ended up having more collected at the place where I wound up having the SCT done. Maybe your treatment center doesn't want to have to store them for you. I know that many other places have no such policy, so if there's anywhere else you'd consider going, check with them.

Have you joined the mailing list? Lots more people are active on that list, and you'll get more replies. :)
<http://www.mmsupport.net/content/view/188/80/>

Beth

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