Comments from Patients or Relatives of Patients in Support of the Exemption

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Aaron Brown <ABrown@rooseveltcity.com> Tue, Oct 18, 2016 at 8:37 AM
To: "dwmrcpublic@utah.gov" <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov>

Hello,

My grandma has been receiving Superficial Radiation Therapy from Dr. Parkinsons office and it has been extremely helpful with her current cancer. Just recently she has been told that she can no long receive these very helpful treatments because the state is regulating it. Please let them continue to use SRT and help our loved one and many others.

Regards,

Aaron Brown

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From: Jackie Bradford <jackieut@hotmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, October 15, 2016 11:56 AM
To: dwmrepublic@utah.gov
Subject: Superficial Radiation Therapy

I hope this email is read with an open mind, and caring person.. I just wanted the DWM to be aware of all good the Superficial Radiation Therapy does.. I know it first hand, as my 88 year old mother has suffered from squamous cell cancer for the last five years.. We put her through a horrific head surgery 4 years ago, and it didn't stop the cancer growth at all. The only thing that has helped is the SRT.. While the procedure does prevent the cancer from occurring in new areas, its will kill the cancer that makes large open sores. The cancer if allowed to break the skin is extremely painful..She has new cancer behind her left ear, SRT ill prevent the event of an open sore.

My family are so very grateful to Dr Richard Parkinson, and his staff.. they are very professional ,well educated and caring when administering the SRT.. I personally have seen many people benefit from the procedure.. You know, cancer is evil, and if there is a chance to help someone deal with it on a better level, then I believe a procedure as easy and inexpensive should be available. Please will the State of Utah help these cancer victims receive this life saving treatments. Thank you Jacqueline Bradford

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brent.crosland via dwmrcpublic <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov> Sat, Oct 15, 2016 at 12:01 PM
Reply-To: brent.crosland@yahoo.com
To: "dwmrcpublic@utah.gov" <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov>

Utah State Board of Radiation Control

I have been a patient of Dr. Richard Parkinson for about 20 years. The past 10 years I have had to have several skin caners surgically removed mostly from my face and top of my head, always leaving scars one up to 2" long on my forehead . One surgery was a MOH's and I was sent to SLC for that. I recently completed a SRT treatment in Dr. Parkinson's office for two different cancers, one on my cheek and one on my forehead. During these treatments in his office I was never in his office more than 15 minutes usually 10 minutes. If treatment was done in a hospital setting I am sure the cost would be mush greater (200 % plus) and the time for the treatment would be several times longer than that done in Dr. Parkinson office. This treatment was worked well for me and my family. I would hope that this SRT remains an option for myself, as well his other patients

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Deanna Johnson <jiggsnd1@gmail.com> **Mon, Oct 17, 2016 at 3:35 PM**
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

To Whom it May Concern:

Mary Jean Brown is in desperate need of her continued radiation therapy. To stop Superficial Radiation therapy would be unconscionable. It improves her quality of life as well as lessening her pain. I'm her case, it is a lifesaving therapy. Please do not discontinue this option for her. I plead with you to allow her to continue to receive this care.

Sincerely,

Deanna Johnson

Martha Clayson <martha.clayson@icloud.com> **Mon, Oct 17, 2016 at 11:06 PM**
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

"If it ain't broke, don't fix it!"!
If a person has had over fifty treatments, mostly successful, and these treatments have saved a life; given a more quality, pain free life, why would treatments not be continued in an office a person is familiar and comfortable with?
I have known Mary Jean Brown my whole life! She is one of Payson's elite women! She deserves treatment that works for her, and for any other person like her! She is comfortable in this situation, so why stress her out with more, new unnecessary changes! She deserves the dignity of continuing what works for her in her confused, elderly state!
Thanks to Dr. Parkinson who has probably helped many more like her live a comforting routine situation that is cost efficient and working!

Logan Hamling <logan.hamling@gmail.com> **Sun, Oct 16, 2016 at 6:26 PM**
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

Please don't eliminate the SRT treatments they are doing so much good for older patients without causing a lot of pain or expense.

JERRY HAMLING <jerryhamling@gmail.com> Sun, Oct 16, 2016 at 5:54 PM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

SRT stands for Superficial Radiation Therpy.. This is a low cost benefit afforded to cancer patients.
why in the world would this procedure be stopped. Cancer should always be treated.. Some people have horrific sores and pain without the srt.. Don't take this out of Utah please

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fghill@cut.net <fghill@cut.net> Sun, Oct 16, 2016 at 3:30 PM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

To Whom it may concern:
I am a patient of Dr. Richard W. Parkinson and went through the Superficial Radiation Therapy treatments. When I was diagnosed with squamous cell skin cancer the options for treatment were explained to me. I either had to have extension surgery which required a long recovery time to heal or the in office SRT treatment. Due to my age of 77, at the time, I elected the SRT treatment. This was more convenient for me. I did not want to have surgery on my arm to remove the cancer and then possible skin grafts, pain, possibility of infection, reduced strength in my arm and a longer recovery time. Going to the Dr. Parkinson's office twice a week, once the determined amount of treatments needed, was more beneficial to me than one time in surgery. If I am ever diagnosed with squamous or basal cell cancers that can be treated without surgery I will opt for SRT.
I hope that you will change the wording and continue to allow this treatment option available.
On a personal note, the older you become the less likely you want to be cut open. The healing time, pain, recovery time, mental stress, and negative feelings linger longer. My quality of life relies on a positive environment.
Thank you Francis Hill Mt. Pleasant, Utah

KELLY BEVERLY LLOYD <bevtumbles@msn.com> Sun, Oct 16, 2016 at 2:03 PM
To: "dwmrcpublic@utah.gov" <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov>

To whom it may concern,

I am a daughter to a patient (Mary Jean Brown) who has had 50 treatments from Dr. Parkinson. These treatments have saved not only my mothers life but countless hours of pain and suffering. I can't believe that the state would take away a life saving practice from patients like my mother and countless others. We don't have a cure for cancer but when we find something that works why would you take it away? Is it because big corporations can make more money? My mom is 88 years old and she doesn't need any more pain in her life. Please let this practice continue to help her.

Beverly Lloyd

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Speedy7491 <speedy7491@gmail.com> Wed, Oct 19, 2016 at 3:39 PM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

As a patient previously treated with SRT I would request your continuing allowance of the exemption for physician's offices.
With damaged DNA from my teenage years I have spent a significant amount of time at the dermatologist's office.
At a maximum I was treated as often as weekly. I've been doing this for the last 25 years. It is no fun when the last treatment scars are still healing upon arrival for the next set.
When offered SRT I jumped at the chance to minimize the 25-30 liquid nitrogen treatments per visit.
Since my treatment started I have been pleased to endorse the procedure to others but especially at my particular doctor's office.
One particular reason I feel an exemption is in order is the continuing care and concern of the office staff. Turnover at local hospitals is rampant, a patient usually does not see the same technician again. In contrast, the physician's office has the same staff year after year, they know me and my particular history far more intimately than a hospital ever could hope for.
Finally, I have a susceptibility to staph infection. Infections are significantly higher at hospitals no matter what they do. Hence I avoid trips to hospitals when an alternative is available. SRT at an office minimizes this risk for me.

John Lockwood
801-222-0222

Kathleen Muhlestein <kmul13109@q.com> Mon, Oct 17, 2016 at 3:09 PM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

Concerning Grandma Jean- please do not refuse her treatments at Dr. Parkinsons office. It is imperative for her continuing care.

Sincerely Kathleen Muhlestein- kmul13109@q,com

Lafe Parrish <ljparrish10@gmail.com> Mon, Oct 17, 2016 at 8:27 AM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

This method of treatment was chosen for the desired result. Prognosis as good as surgery with less chance of scarring,drooling, infection and pain. It took longer than a surgery but it is my face, my lip. I felt time invested was worth it for the result desired.
My experience in Dr. Parkinsons' office was very good and professional. I practiced thirty years as a veterinarian, we had X-ray units in our hospital, so i was aware of safe procedures. I was very impressed with the protection they gave me as a patient and the safe procedures they used to protect office personal.
I would make the same choose again. If it wasn't my face i probably would select surgical procedure.
I appreciate being able to be in their office twice a week for the period of the treatment.

Sincerely, Lafe A. Parrish

Peter Crawley <pc@rockcanyonamericana.com> Sun, Oct 16, 2016 at 7:51 AM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

Scott T. Anderson, Director
Division of Waste Management and Radiation Control
Department of Environmental Quality
Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear Sir:

Late last year, I had Superficial Radiation Therapy (SRT) to treat a squamous cell carcinoma in the middle of my forehead above my right eye, at the office of Dr. Richard W. Parkinson in Provo, Utah. When the cancer was diagnosed, the treatment choices available to me were either surgical removal or SRT. I elected to have SRT because it would be much less invasive, be considerably less painful, and not leave an obvious scar in a prominent part of my face. Further, since I am eighty years old, the possible long term side effects would not apply to me.

As it turned out, my expectations were more than met. Each of the treatments took only a few minutes. Throughout, there was no pain and no discomfort. The only obvious consequence of the treatments was a slightly red 2-inch disk on my forehead that quickly disappeared once the treatments were concluded. And all indications are that the cancer was successfully treated.I would certainly elect SRT again for a cancer that posed the same problems as my earlier one, and I would not hesitate to recommend it, particularly to my older friends.

Sincerely,

Peter Crawley
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Bernice Prigmore <bernicep2013@gmail.com> Wed, Oct 19, 2016 at 9:37 AM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

To Whom it May Concern,

I received Superficial Radiation Therapy (SRT) to treat basal cell carcinoma this year at the office of Dr Richard Parkinson, my dermatologist. I cannot express how grateful I am that I could receive the treatment that Dr Parkinson was able to give. The carcinoma was on the left side of my nose. The option other than SRT would have been to have slices of the side of my nose removed. That would have been painful, and it would have been disfiguring. I had 17 treatments of radiation, and yes, I had a red "target" from the radiation for the length of the treatments, but after a few weeks the redness had disappeared.
My quality of life was certainly affected for the good, by the treatment Dr Parkinson was able to offer. Even a slow growing carcinoma like basil cell has a bit of personal trauma, and now it appears that my chance of having other basil cell carcinomas is higher. I feel quite a bit of peace knowing that I can receive the SRT for other incidents if and when they occur. I would ask you to approve a variance to the existing law in order to allow Dr Parkinson to continue to offer this care. It means a lot to me, and I am sure to others in the same category as I am. I absolutely would recommend this treatment to anyone who might find themselves in need of treatment for basil cell carcinoma. As I said before, this procedure has improved my quality of life.

Thank you,
Bernice Prigmore

Joe Swenson <joe.swenson@imaginelearning.com> Wed, Oct 19, 2016 at 2:33 PM
To: "dwmrcpublic@utah.gov" <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov>

I understand the State of Utah is considering whether or not to offer a variance for office-based Superficial Radiation Therapy through Dr. Parkinson's office in Provo, Utah. I hope my experience may be helpful in making an informed decision.

My name is Joe Swenson and I live in Midway, UT. Over the past couple of years I have had several diagnoses of skin cancer on my face. Two in particular were surgically removed and both have left scars on my face not to mention the trauma associated with that type of surgery.

My latest bout of skin cancer appeared on my neck just below the chin. It would have required surgery cutting out a chuck about the size of a quarter – another scar, another traumatic event. I was told about and chose to use Superficial Radiation Therapy offered at Dr. Parkinson's office. I went in for 17 visits that lasted just minutes each. I completed my last visit about a month ago and the skin looks fabulous without more scarring. The staff at Dr. Parkinson's office is outstanding and I felt completely comfortable in their hands.

While I am no expert in SRT, I do recognize that more and more procedures are moving out of the extremely costly hospital environment and into more patient and wallet-friendly facilities – and I had to pay for the treatments myself.

This seems like a no-brainer decision. Please listen to the patients and grant the waiver allowing Dr. Parkinson's office to continue to offer this valuable treatment. I have no doubt I'll be back with more skin cancer issues in the years to come and I would much prefer the convenience and professionalism of Parkinson's office to take care of me. I do not want to go to the hospital for the treatment and I do not want to have more surgery. I would recommend the same to anyone else with a similar diagnosis. Please grant the waiver!

If you have any questions, I would be glad to respond.

Joe Swenson

801-500-0465

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Joan Watkins <wasapick@gmail.com> Mon, Oct 17, 2016 at 7:49 PM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

Please consider extending treatments for a good friend Mary Jean Brown!

Kimberly Wynne <kimberlywynne@me.com> Thu, Oct 20, 2016 at 10:47 AM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov
Cc: info@parkinsonderm.com

I would like to give some feedback on receiving superficial radiation therapy over the last year. I was seen and diagnosed at the office of Dr. Richard Parkinson in Orem/Provo Utah with 2 different spots on my face that were squamous cancer skin cells. Knowing that my options were limited to surgical removal and each spot would leave a 2" scar was pretty devastating. I was thrilled to hear that there was a new option that was non invasive, less expensive, pain free and would eliminate the cancer with the same probability of the other traditional surgeries called SRT. I did the 8 week treatment program and was very impressed with the professionalism and attention given to me throughout the process. it was very convenient to be in office and took a very minimal amount of time (generally 10 minutes or less).

I would without hesitation recommend this treatment as a great option for anyone dealing with skin cancer. It is the best option because of price, ease of treatment and the fact that your face is left without major scarring. The only thing, which is mild, is that the treatment area becomes faded and "whiter" than the surrounding skin…but for me it was totally worth it and makeup covers it up just fine.

if I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me at 435-671-7653 or at my email @kimberlywynne@me.com

thank you!

Kimberly Wynne

OLINATOR <olinator@comcast.net> Tue, Oct 18, 2016 at 12:17 PM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

I am writing on behalf of a senior citizen suffering from skin cancer, who is currently receiving the subject therapy to combat this disease, at Dr. Parkinson's office in Utah County. This is the only doctor who offers this treatment in his office in the entire state and it is vital to the patients in this area. I am requesting that the radiation procedure remain in his office to accommodate patients who are dealing with these dreaded diseases. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Vicky Yearby

Carly Christiansen <carlycaroline@gmail.com> Sat, Oct 22, 2016 at 1:58 AM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

To whom it may concern:

I had the treatment SRT or also known as Superficial Radiation Therapy. My results turned out phenomenally. I had the treatment done on my nose and show no sign of scarring or reoccuring symptoms. It looks smooth and natural, with no indication of any previous treatment.
I chose this type of treatment over any other, knowing I'd be completely and overly satisfied with my results. I didn't have a huge cut out of my nose and I don't have any scarring. Which if I had chose or didn't have SRT, I would have one or both.
I would recommend this procedure to anyone, over any other type of treatment available. Due to how wonderfully my results were. The scheduling was easy and convenient, being able to get the treatment directly at my doctors's office. Plus, the fact of it being at my own doctor's office. I know It saved me way more than if I had to travel to the hospital or another facility.
I was totally pleased with the whole operation. I had good results and am so glad it was available to me.

Thank you,
Carol Bonnett
801-375-2323

fghill@cut.net <fghill@cut.net> Fri, Oct 21, 2016 at 8:04 PM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

As the wife of a patient who had the Superficial Radiation Therapy treatment, I was so grateful that my husband Francis Hill was able to have the treatments in Dr. Parkinson's office. We live in Mt Pleasant and getting appointments which worked for us was very important. Sitting in a hospital waiting your turn to have a treatment and not knowing how long you were going to have to wait was not a consideration for my husband. Patience is not his best quality. The alternative to the SRT was surgery which would have been a struggle for him. The down time for recovery, the deepness of the cancer and the chances of infection, loss of muscle and mental stress what not something we were looking forward to.
Having the opportunity to do the prescribed treatments, convenience of treatment, time involved was a God sent to us. We were so relieved when Dr. Parkinson was able to perform the treatment opposed to surgery that it lifted a heavy weight from our shoulders.
Having this type of treatment creates such a positive attitude that I wonder WHY the hospital is the ONLY place to have it done. Who really benefits from this. Insurance is a major factor in selecting the type of treatment one can afford. I wonder just how much it would have cost us if we would have been forced to have the treatment in a hospital.
Both my husband and myself hope that you will reconsider changing the wording of the law as long as ALL the requirements are met by the physician who wishes to provide the SRT treatment.
If you have any questions please feel free to contact me. Thanks you
Mary Hill 435-462-3960

From: Max Curtis [mailto:maxcurtis2@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, October 21, 2016 4:48 PM
To: ismith@fiber.net
Subject: Subject SRT

Dear Ilene,

I have been very satisfied with my SRT treatments.

I chose this treatment because it does not leave a scar. I would

recommend this treatment to others.

Everyone was helpful and very kind.

Sincerely

Marilyn Curtis

'patricia dalton' via dwmrcpublic <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov> Sat, Oct 22, 2016 at 9:31 AM
Reply-To: patricia dalton <patriciadalton84606@yahoo.com>
To: "dwmrcpublic@utah.gov" <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov>

My name is Patricia Dalton. I am one of the very luck people to be able to get SRT at my Dr.'s Office. I had a squamous cell skin cancer on my for head, and other treatments had not been able to kill it. I had the choice of having my for head cut wide open or have SRT for several weeks. I chose SRT. It was pain free. and the cost was affordable. Also I have had other cancers and surgeries. This was truly a great relief for me to know I could get this done at my Dr.'s office.

Please allow this SRT treatment to continue, for all of us.

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knhlnclegg <knhlnclegg@comcast.net> Sun, Oct 23, 2016 at 4:38 PM
To: "dwmrcpublic@utah.gov" <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov>

"Public comment on Sensus Exemption."

I have received Two (2) SRT treatments at Dr. Richard W. Parkinson's office and was totally pleased with not only their service, but with the outcome.

I chose the SRT treatments because of the appearance of scaring in the face area and with the "No surgery" involved. I am on a blood thinner for a heart condition and concerned about the bleeding that would have been involved.

I am retired, on a tight budget, so cost was a factor for my considering the "in office visits".

In a few weeks, I will require additional SRT treatments in the facial area. Please consider in their favor a variance to the law that will allow Dr. Richard Parkinson to continue this valuable treatment to myself and other patients.

Thank you;

Ken A. Clegg

Wanda H York <teywhyork@gmail.com> Sun, Oct 23, 2016 at 10:26 PM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

To whom it may concern, please add my request with the many other family and friends. Please allow Grandma Jean to have the continued treatments that she needs to fight her cancer.
Wanda York

BJ Wright <bwright@aplusbenefits.com> Mon, Oct 24, 2016 at 10:47 AM
To: "dwmrcpublic@utah.gov" <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov>

Greetings:

Dr. Richard W. Parkinson's office started with State approval over one year ago a procedure called Superficial Radiation Therapy (SRT) to treat basal cell and squamous cell skin cancers. It has been very effective for Jean Brown and safe. It also is reasonably priced for anyone on Medicare to be able to afford. This procedure eliminates the non-melanoma skin cancers without cutting, scarring, risking infection and resulting in little or no pain.

This form of treatment has been very effective and not so evasive as regular visits to Hospitals or Cancer Treatment Centers. I would recommend this procedure to others as an option.

I am asking that you grant the variance to Dr. Richard W. Parkinson for this procedure in order for Grandma Jean to continue her treatments. Changing things for her now would be absolutely devastating.

With Warmest Regards,

Brenda J. Wright
131 West 970 South
Midway, Ut 84049

Linda Renzello <linda.renzello@gmail.com> Mon, Oct 24, 2016 at 1:57 PM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

Dr. Parkinson has been offering superficial radiation treatments for his patients in his office. These treatments have been a life saving procedure for my friend's skin cancer. She has been informed that these treatments will no longer be available at his office. Please reconsider taking this SRT treatment away. It has been very effective. Her pain has been diminished and it is something that she has been able to afford to have done. At present time, she has developed another area that is in need of this treatment. Why would you take away something that is working for not only her but other away?

Linda Renzello

From: Karl Farnsworth [mailto:karl@farnsworth.us]
Sent: Monday, October 24, 2016 10:43 AM

In December, 2015, I was diagnosed with basal cell carcinoma on the left side of my face. I previously had two melanoma surgeries in the same area. This basal cell was directly on the scare of the first melanoma surgery. Rather than have more cutting in the same spot of my face, I chose to receive SRT (Superficial Radiation Therapy), which I did from January to March 2016. I was very please with the treatment. It was fast, easy, pain free and the results were great - no more scaring. It was the perfect treatment for me. I wouldn't have to think twice to do it again if necessary. I have shared my experience with many friends and family members and highly recommend it for any one who has non-melanoma skin cancer.

It is my desire that you will approve a variance to the law to allow treatments to continue in the office of Dr. Richard W. Parkinson.
Sincerely, Joyce J. Farnsworth

laurie clegg <llclegg07@gmail.com> Fri, Oct 21, 2016 at 9:18 AM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

To Whom It May Concern:

I am a medical assistant in the office of Richard W. Parkinson Dermatology, and have worked closely with our Superficial Radiation Therapy patients. SRT has become a important treatment option our patients have come to rely on.

SRT has been a successful treatment for our patients who are frail and would not do well with MOHS or an excision that would put them at risk of infection or excessive bleeding. Patients have chosen SRT so they would not have to have disfiguring excisions or complicated grafts. Some of our patients are exhausted from many skin cancer surgeries and have chosen radiation treatment to avoid more cutting. I know some of our patients like SRT because it is an affordable option compared with MOHS or grafts.

We have an elderly patient that had several large and fast growing squamous cell cancers on her scalp, that were extremely painful and too large to excise. SRT was an effective treatment that reduced the size of the lesion, eliminated the pain, and treated the cancer.

Our office has complied with all safety regulations, and I view it as a safe and necessary treatment option for the patients in our office. I hope you will consider the variance so we can continue to provide the people of Utah this affordable and effective treatment.

Sincerely,

Laurie Clegg
Medical Assistant
Dr. Richard W. Parkinson's Office

From: Heidi Taylor [mailto:heiditay1@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, October 24, 2016 3:30 PM
To: ismith@fiber.net
Subject: dick taylor letter about radiation treatment

Public comment on Sensus Exemption

I chose this form of treatment over surgical removal because:

1. This treatment is completely painless.
2. There is absolutely no scarring.
3. There were not side effects at all.
4. Because there was no invation of the skin there was no danger of infection.
5. Going to Dr, Parkinson's office was much more convenient than going to a hospital.
6. Even though I recieved 17 treaments, I was never in the office more than ten minutes or less.

I would highly recommend this form of treatment to anyone who is elegible. This

treatment eliminates the fear that anyone may have of needles, surgery or hospitals. The cost of the treatment is significantly less money than having it done in a hospital.

Sincerely,

Dick Taylor

Oct 23, 2016

To whom it may concern.

My name I Robert E. Hahne. I am a retired Professional Engineer. I am writing to **strongly recommend** with no reservations that the office of Dr. Richard Parkinson in Provo , Utah be given permission continue giving radiation treatments for skin cancers .

I have been a patient of this office for many years and have always been given care in a kind and professional manner. Over the years I have given recommendation for this clinic to many friends and associates

I am a down winder having grown up in southern Utah during the time of above ground atomic bomb testing. I have many friends and relatives who have died due to cancer. I am on chemotherapy for a blood condition known as myleofibrosus.

Accordingly, when biopsies revealed that I had two different kinds of skin cancerous growths on my upper lip I wanted the best treatment I could get.

I was originally told that my half of my upper lip up to my nose would have to be surgically removed leaving me disfigured as well as at great risk for eventually losing my teeth because of having no lip. This was a very disheartening diagnosis. When I returned to Dr.Parkinson's for consultation I was told of the option of radiation. I knew that this procedure was new and not performed widely.

Given the possibility of major disfigurement for the rest of my life I went with full confidence for the radiation treatment. I am thrilled with the results. My lip is fully recovered (I won't be able to grow a mustache but since I don't wear one anyway, it's a very small sacrifice for a wonderful cure) .

I again recommend that this office be given permission to continue with radiation treatment procedures for skin cancers. I'm sure that many folks will benefit. Please consider contacting me if needed.

Respectfully,

Robert E Hahne P.E.

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From: Charles Tate [mailto:cdtatejr54@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, October 21, 2016 11:44 AM
To: ismith@fiber.net
Subject: reply to SRT treatment

Dear Ilene,

Here are a few comments on the SRT treatment I received in your office.

I chose this treatment, because it was the least invasive and very easy to do. Even though it required many visits to the office, they were very short, and the staff was very accommodating. I felt like the results were very good. My skin looked better than it ever had and I felt confident that the cancer had been eliminated.

I would be glad to recommend it to others.

The cost was very reasonable.

All in all I was very pleased with the treatment and the result of the SRT.

Thank you,

Dianne Tate

Steve Howarth <sbhowarth@gmail.com> Fri, Oct 21, 2016 at 12:45 PM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

Dr. Parkinson, Provo Utah office.

One year ago Dr. Parkinson found a cancer area beneath my right eye. He told me that this particular cancer would best be taken care with a new machine that he was in process of procuring (SRT). Dr. Parkinson had removed several cancer spots from by body over the years. He has my trust, and when he told me about this new method of treatment, it was great news for me.

I visited his office 17 separate times, although the travel time to and from the office was some what tiresome. The procedure in and of itself was successful. If there had been a surgery involved, the risk to hit a nerve was to much for me to have. Also the time table for me at my age to heal would have been difficult.

I hope that Dr. Parkinson will continue to have access to this SRT treatment to help people that need this non-evasive treatment.

Thank You
William Boyd Howarth

Ned Warner <nedmaasai@hotmail.com> Fri, Oct 21, 2016 at 1:05 PM
To: "dwmrcpublic@utah.gov" <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov>

I recently received SRT for two cancer lesions on my left shoulder at Dr. Parkinson's office in Provo.

I chose SRT because I wanted to avoid the experience of excision and recovery of excision. Although it was a longer period of time; each treatment visit at Dr. Parkinson's was fast, painless and well organized.

I experienced some minor localized pain and itching but this was much better than my cancer excision experiences.

I am recommending this option to friends and family.

Sincerely,

Ned Warner

From: Barbara Barron [mailto:bbarron@byu.net]
Sent: Monday, October 24, 2016 10:34 PM

Re: Superficial Radiation Therapy

I am writing relative to my experience with Superficial Radiation Therapy. About a year ago, I had several areas that proved to be cancerous and two of them were such that they could be removed by cutting. However, one of the two on the bridge of my nose had difficulty healing and even came open after the stitches had been removed. The third covered a much larger area and would have left real scarring. I was hesitant, at first, to use the radiation therapy. However, Dr. Parkinson assured me that is was only superficial, not deep radiation. After much deliberation, I elected to proceed with the SRT.

I could not be more pleased. The treatment involved a number of brief treatments which produced a red-colored area on my temple. This I treated with a cream that I was given and there was no further discomfort or problem. The procedure was completed several months ago and I am very pleased. The area of red is completely gone and there is no scarring or any indication of anything having been done. I would recommend this procedure to anyone with a problem similar to mine.

'S Clement' via dwmrcpublic <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov>
Reply-To: S Clement <sclem60@yahoo.com>
To: "dwmrcpublic@utah.gov" <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov>

Fri, Oct 21, 2016 at 4:06 PM

To Whom it may concern:

I had SRT 7 months ago. I go to Dr. Richard W. Parkinson's office every 6 months for routine check ups due to Melanoma. Obviously all of my appointments do not end in a diagnosis of Melanoma, but rather pre-cancerous things like Basal cell carcinoma, or Squamous cell carcinoma's.

When I did the SRT, my doctor felt it would be a great alternative based on the fact that whenever I get chopped on, which is usually every six months, that perhaps it would be less invasive if I tried out this new procedure in his office. I was pleased that I could do it there in the office as well as have it done with much less expense. This was a great alternative for me due to the fact that I tend to end up having multiple surgeries in the exact same spot to get it gone.
This procedure may have been more lengthy, but certainly better than having the scarring, swelling, pain, and all that goes along with going under the knife/scalpel, stitches, and the ugliness that goes along with it.

I know that I am more than likely not the only patient that has to have multiple surgeries. I have been seeing Dr. Parkinson for over 30 yrs. now. And, I appreciate that he does all he can to make things easier on his patients. Having the machine there was so much more convenient, and made me feel comfortable being able to go there since I already have to travel a distance for treatments as it is.

The only people that know that this procedure was ever done are the people that I know and love. But you certainly can't see any sign of it by just looking at me. This was done on an area on my face that would certainly be noticeable if it had had a different result. ie. my other surgical procedures up to this point. I also feel good knowing that I will not have to worry about a re-occurrence of cancer etc. in the area that was treated. This certainly gives me a lot of comfort.

I truly hope that you will continue to allow this procedure and machine to remain within the doctor's office rather that my having to go to a hospital etc. to receive treatment and have the added expense of doing so. This is a procedure that I would do again, verses getting chopped on. It's a much more pleasant experience and outcome.

Thanks so much,

S. Clement

Marcine Brown <mmojo57@gmail.com> Mon, Oct 24, 2016 at 8:47 PM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

To Whom it May Concern,

My mother- in- law, Mary Jean Brown Nielsen, has been being treated at Dr. Parkinson's office for skin cancer on her head. I believe my sister in law, Jackie Bradford has sent you some graphic pictures of Mary Jean's before and after treatment. The pictures tell a huge story. This SRT treatment has literally saved my mother-in-laws life. It is a painless treatment and has some remarkable results for her. It has almost completely cured her cancer sores on her head. She is now experiencing more of these hideous cancers coming on her head and without this treatment she will be in some excruciating pain and terrible disfigurement on her scalp. Please, please, please allow this doctor's office to retain this machine so that Mary Jean can have the quality of life that she deserves. Without this treatment we are really afraid of what she will be subjected to. We know this for sure that it won't be a good outcome without this treatment.

Thank you for your consideration and time concerning this matter.

Sincerely,
Marcine H Brown

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dhubbard@xmission.com <dhubbard@xmission.com> Tue, Oct 25, 2016 at 11:57 AM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

Utah State Board of Radiation Control,

The purpose of this email is to provide a little feedback on my recent Superficial Radiation Therapy (SRT). My treatment occurred at Dr. Richard W. Parkinson's office in Provo, UT.

I chose SRT because it was less invasive than the cutting treatment I had received several times before. I have several scars (one by my eye, one on my back, and one on my arm; to name a few) from having either basal cell or squamous cell skin cancers removed. I did not want another butterfly type scar (this time on my forehead) so I opted for SRT.

It has been several months since I finished SRT and thus far I have been happy with it and I would recommend it to others, especially for older patients and for treating highly visible areas on the body like the face.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Daniel H

Jeanne Clawson <jeanne.clawson@gmail.com> Tue, Oct 25, 2016 at 10:14 AM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov, Jeanne Clawson <jeanne.clawson@gmail.com>

It is not very often that a patient can evaluate a medical program.

The decision for superficial radiation on my scalp and right ear in Dr. Richard W. Parkinson 's office was the right decision. It was easy and painless as was the price.

I was treated very well and I would advise anyone needing this treatment to participate.

Thank you,

Robert G. Clawson

Don Rasmussen <DONRAS11@msn.com> Tue, Oct 25, 2016 at 10:32 AM
To: "dwmrcpublic@utah.gov" <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov>

To whom this may concern,

I chose this procedure so I didn't have to go in for any type of surgery, it didn't scar my face and it was really easy. If I had it do all over again I would still chose the route. It's fast, simple, and pain free.

I hope that my doctor can still use this procedure option in his office, it would be a shame to see it go.

Best of Wishes,

Don A. Rasmussen

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njofuller@comcast.net <njofuller@comcast.net> Tue, Oct 25, 2016 at 12:45 PM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

Dear Friends,

PLEASE do not stop physicians in Utah from performing the vital, life-saving procedure of Superficial Radiation Therapy to treat cancer! It has been so very beneficial to so many people - it is less painful, less expensive, and less damaging. I have a friend who has benefited greatly from this procedure, and it has saved her life, as well as saving her family thousands of dollars. Please do not take this away from her and the many others it is saving.

Respectfully,

Nancy Fuller
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Provo, UT 84601
801-836-5329

Sunny Elton <cscmielton5@gmail.com> Wed, Oct 26, 2016 at 9:42 AM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

To whom it may concern
We beg of you to not get rid of the superficial radiation program as it has been proven to stop squamous cancer cells in its tracks. My grandma has been sick for quite some time and has taken this route and it has cleared her cancer with no pain or sickness. She probably would not be around without it. Once again she is getting a new lump and will be needing these treatments and we no longer know weather they will be available to her. PLEASE I beg of you to not shut this program down it is the only one in the state of Utah. I can only imagine what she will have to go through if she can not use this method. It is very effective and LIFE SAVING not to mention painless and very inexpensive!! PLEASE re consider!
Thank you for your time
Sunny Elton

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Sunny Elton

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betty birrell <jbbd52@gmail.com> Wed, Oct 26, 2016 at 9:55 AM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

I had radiation therapy to treat basal cell cancer on back of my right leg. It was a good experience and I felt comfortable being there. They were very professional and was explained the treatment that was to be done. I was given a chose and I wanted the radiation treatment. I felt like they knew me and cared about me. If I have to have radiation therapy again I would hope it could be in the same office.
I have gone to Dr. Richard W. Parkinson for many years. I trust him and the staff that is there.
I have had many surgeries on my body and was glad to have the option of radiation.
I would recommend to family and friends the option of radiation therapy.
Joe R. Birrell
Highland, Utah

MARK L BROWN <EmilyCheryl@msn.com> Wed, Oct 26, 2016 at 4:03 PM
To: "dwmrcpublic@utah.gov" <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov>

Please do not remove the radiation machine at Doc Parkinson office . this machine has lessened the horrific pain that Mary Jean Brown has been in with the Cancer on her skull. We as a family have to take work off to take her to her appointments. What a blessing to not have to make her ride an other hour each way to North SLC. Not to mention the extra cost just in travel and time off from work. Instead of 3 hour it will be at least 5-6 hours. Doc Parkinson staff are capable professionals,with kind hearts working hard to help Mary Jean.

Cheryl Brown

C. Wilfred <cwgriggs@hotmail.com> Wed, Oct 26, 2016 at 9:38 AM
To: "rbohn@utah.gov" <rbohn@utah.gov>

I am sending my comments on the Superficial Radiation Therapy I received in the year 2016 in the offices of Dr. Richard W. Parkinson. Would you please acknowledge receipt of this e-mail.

I have been treated for skin cancers for a number of years, and have undergone surgery, freeze-burning, and an extensive ointment treatment one summer some years ago. All treatments have been successful. I have had two surgeries on my ears for removal of skin cancers, but in 2016 the diagnosis was a significant basal cell cancer spreading in my right ear. After consultation with two dermatologists, I was given the option of having surgery or Superficial Radiation Therapy. The success rate was considered similar for both treatments, but the surgery would have resulted in the removal of most of my ear. That would have necessitated in plastic surgery and the creation of a prosthetic ear (unless I decided to remain earless, preventing me from wearing glasses).

I chose the radiation therapy, receiving some 17 or 18 treatments (I don't recall which number is correct). The staff took all necessary precautions to ensure that I was protected from scattered radiation, and the treatments resulted in the eradication of the cancer in the ear.

During some 30 years of archaeological excavation in Egypt, I had the opportunity to take x-rays of hundreds of mummies which my team and I had discovered. A portable x-ray unit and developer had been donated to my project, and I received training on its use by the directors of 2 hospital radiation departments. I am therefore aware of the potential dangers involved in such work, and I made certain that my colleagues and I took every precaution to avoid stray radiation (I confess that we did not worry too much about overdoses of radiation on our 2000-plus year-old specimens).

I mentioned the above to indicate my awareness of the delicacy of allowing out-of-hospital usage of this type of therapy. I believe that Dr. Parkinson and his staff are fully qualified to carry on with this radiation therapy, and I certainly would not have been pleased with having to go to a hospital for my treatments. I would be willing to undergo similar treatment in the future (though I do not anticipate the need to do so), and I would highly recommend the same kind of treatment (certainly over surgery) to anyone else who needed to undergo cancer therapy by a dermatologist.

I hope the above comments are helpful. I will be happy to give further details if requested to do so.

Sincerely, Dr. C. Wilfred Griggs (PhD), Professor Emeritus

*"Public comment on Sewage Exemption"

Div of Waste Management
and Radiation Control

OCT 25 2016

10/21/16

Dear Scott T. Anderson,

I desire to write you and explain why it was an annoying opportunity for my dad to have radiation therapy for the Basal Cell CA under his chin in Dr. Parkinson's office. He is 91 years old and also has dementia. I felt that a surgery that deep would be very quite traumatic for him and so I was delighted to be able to bring him to the office for radiation treatment. The staff and technician were delightful and professional. It was so great to be able to bring him to the same office where he was already accustomed to the staff and surroundings. It helped him be at peace. My dad is prone to Basal Cell CA. I am in hopes that I will be able to bring him again to Dr. Parkinson's office for future radiation treatments when the need arises. Please consider granting Dr. Parkinson's the needed variance to the law, so I can continue to have him treated with SRT in the future. Thanks for your consideration.

Lisa Brothers
for my father
William S. Brothers

'Jeffrey Jones' via dwmrcpublic <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov> Wed, Oct 26, 2016 at 3:10 PM
Reply-To: Jeffrey Jones <bertozzi0323@yahoo.com>
To: "dwmrcpublic@utah.gov" <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov>

The opportunity for patients with skin cancer to have an alternative like SRT-100 to traditional methods of treatment (surgery) is a benefit for patients. I imagine that patients are most likely offered in house methods of treatment first for there skin cancer. So owning your own machine can be a good thing for patient options. In a perfect world a patient wanting treatment with x-rays, electrons, or gamma rays, etc. would be referred by a dermatologist to a radiation oncologist.

The dermatologist is not the expert in this field and has not the training and experience with these treatments. Perhaps the training and education conducted by the Sensus team would satisfy this requirement.

Still, I imagine the radiation oncologist would feel like the dermatologist is starting a turf war in a way. Traditionally rad oncologist have treated cancer with x-rays. What has changed? Now the dermatologist feels they can carry this role as well. It is difficult to say if Utah should stick to traditional historical ways or begin to change. It is also interesting to think about what is the motivation for the dermatologist? Is it for dermatologist benefit, is it for patient benefit?

Based solely on safety and quality and forgetting moral factors would I feel comfortable being treated as a patient? If the facility has appropriate staff, necessary education and training, followed radiation safety rules, proper policy and procedures, then maybe I would feel comfortable being patient.

Being treated with Sensus machine at dermatology clinic could be more convenient. Such as not having to go to extra doctor and in some cases closer to home since dermatology clinics seem to be more common than rad onc clinics.

All this said I would want the best care possible whether it is from a dermatologist or radiation oncologist.

Tracie Bradford <tracie.doterra@gmail.com> Wed, Oct 26, 2016 at 9:17 PM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

To whom it may concert,

I'm writing this on behalf of Mary Jean Brown, one of Dr. Parkinson's patients. Mary Jean is my husbands grandma and I've been amazed at how well the therapy has worked for her on the cancer on her head. It would be an absolute mistake to take away this procedure that is working for so many people. Why anyone would think it was ok to discontinue this procedure has not seen someone who has benefited from these procedures. Please reconsider this decision and listen to us that have seen how well this procedure works and is helping our grandma and many others to have a better quality of life because of her treatments.

Thank You
Tracie Bradford

Kaye Budge <kayebudge@gmail.com> Wed, Oct 26, 2016 at 10:33 PM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

I had Superficial Radiation Therapy about 6 months ago in the office of Dr. Richard W. Parkinson. I had both a Basal cell and a Squamous cancer removed successfully leaving no scars. His radiation therapist was very competent and careful in my opinion, and he was very kind and helpful to me.

I am somewhat physically challenged and use a walker to get around. It was much easier for me to park and get into Dr. Parkinson's office for this treatment than to get into a hospital for this same treatment.

I would definitely recommend Dr. Parkinson and his staff to anyone else who needs this Superficial Radiation Therapy. I hope if I need this service again, I will be able to have it done by Dr. Parkinson's radiation staff in his office.

W. Don Budge

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cebrown@rfburst.com <cebrown@rfburst.com> Wed, Oct 26, 2016 at 11:06 PM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

To whom this may concern I am writing to let you know that my mother used to receive a treatment through the Superficial Radiation Therapy that worked wonders for her and the cancer she has, it was convenient, painless, effective and inexpensive for her and our family. I believe this has extended her life and has given her and us some hope for the future. I understand they don't allow this anymore from a Dr. office, I would ask you to reconsider letting this treatment be done in a Dr.'s office.
Thank You
Chad Brown

Cody Bradford <cb@rfburst.com> Thu, Oct 27, 2016 at 6:50 AM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

I'm writing this on behalf of Mary Jean Brown one of Dr. Parkinson patients this is my grandmother I have seen the cancer on her head before she went to Dr. Parkinson's and after she's been in the treatments this would be a crying shame if you guys took this away whatever this is doing is been helping please reconsider keeping this in the state of Utah for though those who need this help this could really benefit each and everyone of them please read these emails reconsider for my grandmother needs to live longer I ask you please please please reconsider this we love her very much.

Cody Wayne Bradford

Wayne Carlile <wcarlile@professionalcopy.net> Wed, Oct 26, 2016 at 7:48 PM
To: "dwmrcpublic@utah.gov" <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov>

I would like to express my desire to have an exemption for Dr. Richard Parkinson granted allowing the continued use of the cancer radiation unit to be used in his facility to treat skin cancer. My elderly father has been treated by Dr. Parkinson for several years with numerous malignant skin cancers on his body which were removed surgically. These procedures were done in Dr. Parkinson's office but some treatments were very painful and resulted in infections which required numerous trips back to the office to treat. My father has multiple health issues, one being a stroke which requires him to be on blood thinners which complicates any surgical procedure.

The last two skin cancers were both very deep into the skin on the back of the neck making surgery even more risky. We were presented by Dr. Parkinson the option of surgery or the use of the spot treated radiation therapy. We were informed that the radiation is very low level and very effective to remove the cancer. The surgery would have been the most severe than any of the other surgeries in that it would be extremely invasive, cause severe pain, may get infected and ran the risk of maybe not getting all the tissue. Weighing all the options we decided to treat the cancer with radiation due to the fact it was painless and eliminated risk of infection. Being able to do the treatment in the office was also a deciding factor. Taking at the most 10 minutes each treatment was extremely convenient and the result was very successful. My father was never in pain and never showed any signs of side effects. This radiation was definitely the most humane way to treat the cancer.

If more treatments are needed, I will use the treatment for sure. Having this treatment available in the Dr. Parkinson's office first of all makes the cost so much less expensive than going to a hospital, the time is shorter than a hospital due to closer parking and their awesome friendly staff is more personable than a hospital. The benefit of having this treatment available in the office far outweighs using a hospital facility. I will recommend this procedure to anyone I know who is going through skin cancer treatments.

Please allow the continued use of this equipment in Dr. Parkinson's office for the benefit of hundreds if not thousands of patients who need it making their lives better with less pain, great results for the cure and for the convenience it provides being in this facility.

Thank You for your Consideration,

Wayne K. Carlile

DAVID C Johnson
2271 No 1200 EAST
LEHI UTAH, 84043.

SUBJECT.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON SENSUS EXEMPTION.

DURING NOV. & DEC. 2015 AND JAN. 2016 I RECEIVED SRT TREATMENTS ON MY NOSE AND FOREHEAD AT DR RICHARD W. PARKINSONS OFFICE IN OREM, UT. I WAS VERY PLEASED WITH THIS PROEDURE AND THE RESULTS WERE EXCELLENT WITH NO SCARING AS WITH SURGICAL REMOVAL. IF NEEDED I WOULD HAVE THIS PROEEDURE AGAIN AND RECOMMEND IT to OTHERS. BECAUSE OF COST AND CONVIENECE OF AN OFFICE SETING.

DAVID C. JOHNSON

NOTES: 10-24-2016

Because I have no computer to inform you of my experience with radiation, I am writing to you instead.

I was diagnosed with Basal Cell on the right tip of my head in April, 2016.

I have been going to Dr. Parkinson once a year for twenty years so when I went in for my yearly checkup, a piece was cut out resulting in the diagnosis.

Dr. Parkinson called me on the telephone to inform me that it was cancer. He said I could choose between surgery that would be performed by someone else at the hospital or radiation performed by him at his office.

I had previously had surgery for cancer at my right nose nostril where they cut out the cancer and grafted skin from

my neck. That graft has slowly sloughed off, making my nostril come to a point rather than round. So I did not think much of surgery. I had heard radiation was painless with no incisions, stitches or blood so I immediately said radiation.

Over the years I have had complete trust in Dr. Parkinson and wanted him. We then scheduled a meeting with Dr. Parkinson. At the meeting I was informed of the process for surgery and for radiation. I still chose radiation and available appointment times were given to me.

I had 18 radiation treatments and two meetings without radiation where I was checked to determine how I was tolerating the procedure.

It was an extremely pleasant experience. Lots of handicapped parking was available, unlike hard to find parking at the hospital. I had no wait time at the office. I was immediately escorted to the radiation room. The procedure was a minute. The whole experience from arrival to driving away took maybe ten minutes.

I was sad when I was told I had my last procedure.

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Twice a week for ten weeks was an experience I looked forward to.

Since I have had both surgery and radiation, I will recommend radiation over surgery any time. It was easy for me, fast and painless.

Contact me any time if you need more information.

Glenda Ferguson
430 South Main
Orem, Ut 84058-6202
801-225-6085

October 25, 2016

Dear Mr. Anderson,

I had a cancer on my left cheek. If the doctor had cut it out I would have had a large 5 inch scar on my face. The Cancer was growing both wide and deep. My face after having the SRT-100 treatment has no blemish and is very normal looking. It was checked today in the Doctors office by Currie Jackman and she said it was perfectly fine! I would highly recommend this treatment to anyone with a similar problem.

Sincerely,
Jon Astle
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801-224-0376

Emily Finch <ejbfinch@msn.com> Thu, Oct 27, 2016 at 4:52 PM
To: "DWMrcpublic@Utah.gov" <DWMrcpublic@utah.gov>

To whom it may concern,
My grandmother chose to receive superficial radiation therapy to treat her skin cancer. She had been experiencing a lot of pain prior to treatment. She has benefited greatly from this treatment being available. We live in south Utah county. Having to drive to Huntsman's for treatment would have taken a toll physically, financially and time wise.
Please consider allowing others to benefit from this therapy as my grandmother and our family has.
Thank you
Emily Finch
Sent from my iPhone

'Debra Fercik' via dwmrcpublic <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov> Thu, Oct 27, 2016 at 8:30 PM
Reply-To: Debra Fercik <debra.fercik@yahoo.com>
To: "dwmrcpublic@utah.gov" <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov>

I choose this way to go because i didn't want to lose my nose. i have had alot of cancer cells on my body most being on my nose, they have cut and frozen them and in 2004 i even had MOH,'s surgery done. that surgery left me with a little chunk out of it enough to notice and it came back. I like it in the office there because its convinent and you don't have to wait a long time. I have been seeing dr. parkinson since he first started, i have a good relationship with him and his staff. I would highly recommend him and the SRT treatment to everyone

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'Diann Brown' via dwmrcpublic <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov> Thu, Oct 27, 2016 at 11:07 PM
Reply-To: Diann Brown <dab7a@yahoo.com>
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

To Whom it May Concern,

Please know that we have appreciated finally having available the SRT (Superficial Radiation Therapy) program for my mother-in-law. She suffered with pain with some severe cancer sores on her head until this treatment program was available. This procedure stopped squamous cancer cells in their tracks. Her huge sores have healed, but another cancer spot has appeared. We were so disappointed to find this treatment is now not available. We were excited to stop it early before it became so painful after having success on the other spots. This treatment was a lifesaving procceedure for Grandma Jean. At 87 years old It was painless, effective, and inexpensive. I believe cancer should be treated whenever possible. Thank you for reconsidering and making this treatment again available in doctor offices.
Let's help Grandma Jean and many others who benefit from this treatment.
Thank you,
Diann Brown

Marva Johnson <mjohnson@nuskin.com> Thu, Oct 27, 2016 at 11:26 PM
To: "dwmrcpublic@utah.gov" <dwmrcpublic@utah.gov>
Cc: "pennyspresser@yahoo.com" <pennyspresser@yahoo.com>

Utah State Board of Radiation Control

My name is Gloria Spresser. Earlier this year, I had a sore on my nose that would not heal. After trying everything I could I finally went to see Dr. Richard W. Parkinson and his staff. I was diagnosed with Basal Cell Carcinoma (skin cancer) at that time. I was given a choice between surgery or radiation. I looked at the pros and cons of both and decided on doing radiation in an attempt to avoid facial scaring and any issues healing caused by me being a diabetic. Plus the convenience of being able to go to my own doctor (who I felt comfortable with) to have my treatment. The ability that they had to personalize my appointment and explain the procedure to me and my family helped relieve the anxiety and stress brought on by being diagnosed with a cancer. They accommodated my busy lifestyle as much as possible which included the fact that they were normally on schedule. I never had to wait log for my appointment. I believe that the longest wait time was at the most 10 minutes but normally less. The added benefit of having the ability pay only one insurance copay for my treatment instead of the higher amounts otherwise required for this treatment when done other places. This is extremely helpful for someone on a fixed income and helped make the choice of a less invasive treatment easier.

I just recently was diagnosed with another skin cancer. I have hopes that the option to once again seek treatment with this great doctor and his amazing staff will remain in place so that this time around can go as smoothly as the last time did. Please take into consideration the great experience that is offered because of the opportunity for this treatment to be done in this office and grant the ability for this great service to continue being offered at my doctors office.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Gloria Dell Spresser

Gloria Dell Spresser

(801)368-0460

Katherine Farmer <katherinejfarmer@gmail.com> Fri, Oct 28, 2016 at 7:24 AM
To: dwmrcpublic@utah.gov

Regarding: "Public Comment on Sensus Exemption"

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing about the **Superficial Radiation Therapy** treatment my mother, **Mildred Jean Herron**, received at **Dr. Richard W. Parkinson's** office, starting last November, 2015 and completed in March, 2016. We chose this form of therapy because of the serious skin cancer that afflicts my mother's lower legs and feet. She has had this condition for many years (she is now 92). She has repeatedly had her cancer eruptions surgically removed--a painful and at her age, an increasingly slow-healing process. As her daughter, primary source of transportation, and fiduciary, I have attended each session with her. During our visits I have carefully watched and monitored the procedures that were performed, my mother's responses to them, and the results.

We have been very pleased with the result of her SRT treatments. Both her legs and feet were treated and have vastly improved as a direct result of this treatment. Her skin is cleaner and healthier in appearance and her level of anxiety and irritation has been reduced. Where she had the radiation therapy, the cancer has not returned. She still has occasional outbreaks on previously untreated areas, but generally speaking the number of cancer eruptions has been minimized. And, most significantly, my mother is pleased with the outcome.

The treatments my mother received were impressive. They took place in a very clean and professional atmosphere, and were administered by a skilled, kindly and board certified radiation therapist. While this treatment could have taken place in a hospital setting, the convenience of having easy access to such high level care in Dr. Parkinson's office, has proven a God-send. This is because my mother is essentially immobile and has great difficulty walking any distance, even with assistance. Easy access to parking and to his offices made the many treatments she received less tiring and more convenient than would have been ossible within a hospital environment.

Given the effectiveness, convenience, and user-friendly atmosphere in which the treatments were delivered and the professional and very human way the treatment was administered, *I would enthusiastically recommend this treatment (as delivered by Dr. Parkinson's office) to anyone suffering from this very irritating and potentially life-threatening condition*. We also appreciate the significant *cost savings* to her insurance and the *reduction in out of pocket expenses* associated with this treatment, given my mother's limited and fixed income.

I would encourage you to continue to license Dr. Parkinson's office. My mother's scaring has been significantly reduced. The pain usually associated with the removal has been minimized. And, the results have been very positive.

Thank you for allowing me to contact you and submit my observations and recommendation. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

From: Lafe Parrish [mailto:ljparrish10@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, October 28, 2016 7:17 AM

This method of treatment was chosen for the desired result. Prognosis as good as surgery with less chance of scarring,drooling, infection and pain. It took longer than a surgery but it is my face, my lip. I felt time invested was worth it for the result desired.

My experience in Dr. Parkinsons' office was very good and professional. I practiced thirty years as a veterinarian, we had X-ray units in our hospital, so i was aware of safe procedures. I was very impressed with the protection they gave me as a patient and the safe procedures they used to protect office personal.

I would make the same choose again. If it wasn't my face i probably would select surgical procedure.

I appreciate being able to be in their office twice a week for the period of the treatment.