

Hi Dr. \*\*\*\*

I have one spot - less than the size of an eraser - in my nipple resection incision that is not healing properly.

Dr. \*\*\*\* saw it when I had my infection in my right breast delayed my initial expander filling 2 weeks because of it. After the initial filling appt it opened up and then seemed to heal but after this last filling its open again.

I went Tuesday for another fill but refused it and actually asked Dr. [REDACTED] nurse [REDACTED] to remove fluid. She did, 90cc. When Dr. [REDACTED] saw my pics she wants more fluid removed tomorrow and then see how its heals up for 2 weeks - I have an appt with her on 1/17 to get clearance on my right breast to schedule my new expander. And [REDACTED] said she would decide then what to do about that skin.

I'm concerned its cancer as that tumor was pressing against my skin as we discussed. And if it's not, it's still unhealthy skin for some reason that is not healing. My mastectomy was 11/4 - 2 months ago. Everything around it looks great. The only way to know for sure what it is is to excise it and sent it to pathology. I would rather deflate the expander and have an office excision to obtain proper healing than take a "wait & see" approach after all this time.

I am unable to attach pics here for you. I am going to call your office and ask \*\*\*\* to get them to you.

Kindly,  
Roxann

Hi Roxann,

Dr. \*\*\*\*\* and \*\*\*\*\* NP, reviewed the images you shared and do not believe that it looks like cancer. The difficulty healing is most likely related to too much tension under the incision. This being said, if you would like it removed, Dr. \*\*\*\* should be able to excise the area in the office and can send the tissue to pathology. Otherwise if you prefer surgery, Dr. \*\*\*\*\* next availability would not be until February. Let us know what you think.

Best Regards,