

Governing Body

Dave Simpson – A Patient Story

Dave was diagnosed with Oesophageal cancer in June 2009 after carrying the symptoms for 15 months, following chemotherapy and surgery 9 months after diagnosis Dave was given the all clear.

Dave has now made a full recovery and has been volunteering for Healthwatch Central Bedfordshire since April 2013. His experience as a cancer patient has led to his involvement in several local and national organisations and volunteering for the local community. Dave is a speaker and champion for Macmillan Cancer Support and sits on the NHSIQ QST (NHS Improving Quality, Quality Surveillance Team (formerly peer review) and NICE Guidance Committee – treatment of oesphagogastric cancers. Dave is a champion for the “experts by experience” concept.

