I really didn't think that much of it cause I've had other lumps before . . . And that was removed three different times, you know; just go to the doctors office and have them removed no problem, you know. So when I discovered this lump I thought no big deal. . . It was close to Christmas time last year around this time... and I just thought to myself I'll just put it off. After all this is over, Christmas is over, [I'll] just go and get it checked out. And it went on, and on and I never did have it checked



Gloria Suazo [Taos Pueblo]

out. And then one day I, I just, you know, you just feel like. . . something is wrong and it's just not [quite] right. . . . I just had this funny feeling even though I had [lumps removed] before. This some how. . .felt different. And, also the lump was getting bigger . . . Finally, one day I told my husband, 'You know I have this lump, this lump on my breast.' And right away he told me 'Make an appointment tomorrow you need to get this . . . checked out.' So if I hadn't told him, I wouldn't have gotten anything done.



Frances Johnson [Fish River Inupiag]

I went into the bathroom, nothing ached. . .I want to get back to Alaska. I [looked] in the mirror. They have [a] big mirror by [the] washroom. [I looked] at myself when I lift my breast, pull them hard and see big dimple just like [it pulled] from inside. I never seen that before so I got a little scared [to] think about breast cancer. I put them down then I feel around, sure enough, I feel a lump, close to the bone.