

hair and all this stuff. And I was scared of that more than anything else. But, when I started the treatment and went through it, it was just like, it was just like it was so easy.



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[Navajo]

I had the chemotherapy and I had the radiation . . . the chemotherapy consisted of probably three different types of drugs. . . . , my treatment took almost a year . . . , because with chemotherapy, they always give you time for your body to re-build your blood cells, . . . , so I think you know the treatment isn't something that you can go in and have it done within two or three days. , the first time I went in for chemotherapy, four of my friends came in to sit with me so all of this was very helpful.

I chose radiation and chemo [rather than surgery]. And . . . I had seven weeks of radiation at Providence Hospital . . . after I was done with that I had to wait awhile cause I was kind of . . . burned . . . chemotherapy time was coming up and then Claudette and my doctor told me they said if your blood is not in good condition to take the chemotherapy we're not going to be able to give the chemotherapy. So I thought at the time

I would fix that, I drank all night and I, I went to work and I mean I went to the hospital and I was half shot and I was watching down the road and my landlord . . . said "you're not going anywhere Ruth", she says "I know what you're thinking" and I [said], "no I'm not thinking nothing". She says "I see you want to take off" and I knew if I had taken off



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