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Response By Email (NCI Agent) (05/31/2019 02:06 PM)

Dear Angela,

Thank you for your email to the National Cancer Institute (NCI) regarding claims that breathwork can effectively treat or prevent cancer. The NCI, a component of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), is the Nation's principal agency for cancer research. We hope you will find our response helpful.

There is no scientific evidence to support the claim the breathwork is a treatment for any type of cancer or that it can lower a person's risk for developing cancer. Unfortunately, some sources do provide misleading or incorrect information about cancer prevention and treatment. You may find it helpful to view the NCI web page, Using Trusted Resources, for guidance on how to evaluate health information. This resource can be accessed at <https://www.cancer.gov/about-cancer/managing-care/using-trusted-resources>.

We hope you will understand that the NCI is a Federal research agency, not a regulatory agency, and cannot intervene in these matters. However, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) enforces consumer protection laws. As part of its mission, the FTC investigates complaints about false or misleading health claims posted on the Internet. You may find it helpful to look into filing a complaint through the FTC's Complain Assistance web page, which is available at <https://www.ftccomplaintassistant.gov/#cmt&panel1-2>. The FTC is also available by calling 1-877-382-4357 (1-877-FTC-HELP).

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration also offers information on cancer and health fraud; resources on this topic are available in the links below:

Products Claiming to "Cure" Cancer Are a Cruel Deception
<https://www.fda.gov/ForConsumers/ConsumerUpdates/ucm048383.htm>

6 Tip-offs to Rip-offs: Don't Fall for Health Fraud Scams
<https://www.fda.gov/ForConsumers/ConsumerUpdates/ucm341344.htm>

Protecting Yourself
<https://www.fda.gov/ForConsumers/ProtectYourself/default.htm>

Please be aware that the information provided does not constitute medical or legal advice.

Thank you for writing.

National Cancer Institute Staff

Customer By CSS Email (Angela @ BB & HEAL) (05/27/2019 08:25 PM)

Dear National Cancer Institute,

A friend of mine recommended I treat or prevent cancer by enrolling in an unlicensed "breathwork" training program that claims to offer health benefits that include the prevention and treatment of cancer. I've done

some looking into this and my findings suggest that it does not such thing as is being falsely advertised. My friend appears to believe it wholeheartedly and any information you could provide me to help dispel the potential quackery involved in suggesting "breathwork" is a legitimate way to prevent or treat cancer, would be greatly appreciated. However, I'm also open to the possibility that I'm not up on the latest science and that someone without any medical degrees making such claims about benefits of their practices is remotely based on scientific evidence.

The only study I found on "breathwork" is available at: <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4677109/>. And, I found an additional link here <https://thetruthaboutcancer.com/otto-warburg-cancer/> showing that the claims by Sacred Breath Academy (a copy of there website is attached so you don't have to risk any exposure to malware since Norton shows it is questionable/unsafe) are not scientifically supported. It's at the bottom of page 13 and continues from there about the cancer claims.

I appreciate your help and hope together we can help educate people who otherwise might fall for healthcare scams that endanger lives of those who really should see a licensed physician in the event they believe they may have or be predisposed to cancer. I can't believe that this is necessary given my friend is normally quite intelligent. But, I'm open to the possibility that I've missed out on the latest science here and that anyone, even without any medical license or degrees, can now treat/prevent cancer by breathing a special way without consideration of air quality or environmental conditions that result in cellular changes adversely effecting the health of those susceptible to such environmental factors regardless of breathing style or method.

I wish you a Respectable Memorial Day Holiday and look forward to your response. Also, if you believe as I do that sacredbreathacademy.life is a scam endangering public health, please report it. I've tried, but, since I didn't fall for it, it is uncertain whether anyone is investigating. I'm just trying to do my civic duty and protect a friend's health. I appreciate your time and assistance.

All My Best,

Angela Smith

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