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Born in Czech Republic 1947, I made studies at Prague School of Economics and Prague Charles University (law and languages). I am living in Prague.

I have been living with health problems for several decades, which is why I became a health activist. I had nephrotic syndrome in 2000 and have been a CKD patient since then. In 2015 I was diagnosed with prostate cancer and soon after I joined a self-help group of men living with the same diagnosis. Several years ago, together with a few friends, I founded a patient organization with a broader focus, namely oriented on malignancies in the male pelvic region - prostate, bladder, kidneys and testicles. We also deal with issues of aging in men.

Our "Men's Health group" is a member of the umbrella organization "Voice of Cancer Patients" in Czech Republic, which is the most important organization advocating for the interests of cancer patients, including efforts for proper prevention and screening programs. In my tribal organisation - Men's Health group — which I represent in the mentioned umbrella association, we focus on information and education regarding cancers of the male pelvic area. Our activities include information on prevention, diagnostic methods and treatment options, including information on innovative drugs and treatments.

Last year I attended the Brussels Cancer Summit organised by ECO and this year I will attend the European Patient Organisations 2nd Riga Congress - EQUITY, ACCESS AND INNOVATION IN CANCER TREATMENT IN THE EU.

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