

Tenth chemotherapy marathon completed

Fortunately for me, my haemoglobin level did not drop significantly over the past two weeks, but continued its pattern of going up a little one week and then down a little the next week. I was therefore delighted when I received a phone call from one of the oncology nurses the afternoon before my tenth chemotherapy session and was told I could postpone making the decision to have a blood transfusion for another two weeks. What was even better was that no-one mentioned anything about blood transfusions during the whole day.

The only negative event was that it took two attempts to get the needle into the back of my right hand, and I have now got a large purple bruise down to my wrist. My needle phobia is getting worse each week.

I am now hoping that I might make it to my 12th and final chemotherapy session without needing a blood transfusion.