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What was your health like before this procedure?

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Well, at first, I had to have a procedure before this procedure, last procedure I had, because I had a blood clot come loose, and then went to my leg. And so they had to take a artery or a vein out of my arm and put it in my leg. And then, as they were seeing, what was going on with this comes to my leg. And they noticed that I had blood clots between my heart and my stomach. And so they decided then that they needed to do this procedure.

Why did you decide to have this procedure done in Lubbock?

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Well, for one thing, the doctor was very knowledgeable of what was going on. He had done this procedure before in New York, and in 20, and 15, and 2016. So I just had the thought that if he had already done the procedure, then why not do it here?

Have you noticed a difference in your health since the procedure?

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Actually, I haven't felt really just a whole lot different than I did before. But I know that I know that I have to be better than I was.

How has recovery been?

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It's been wonderful. I've had no recurrences of anything of any sort. I have no, no problems with anything that they've done.

What do you think people should talk to their doctor about?

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Well, I think that you know, you just have to rely on your doctor. And you know, you have to have, be sure that he has knowledge of what they're fixing to do, and that if they do have the knowledge, this is a teaching hospital. But these are not students that are doing procedures. These are knowledgeable people that have been doing things for a long time. They're under supervision all the time that they're doing everything they do.