Two Surgeons are better than one

When Bonnie Lurie was diagnosed with breast cancer, she decided to undergo breast surgery to remove both of her breasts. This decision was based on the personal composition that breast cancer can be a complex disease, and she wanted to take a proactive approach to her health. She knew that breast surgery could be a daunting experience, but she was determined to take control of her health.

Bonnie’s decision to undergo breast surgery was influenced by her family history. Her mother had undergone breast surgery, and she wanted to follow in her footsteps. She was also motivated by the desire to reduce her risk of developing breast cancer in the future.

Bonnie was referred to Dr. Anees Chagpar, a breast surgical oncologist, and Dr. Alexander Au, a reconstructive surgeon. He was an NCI-designated Comprehensive Cancer Center.

The Breast Center at Smilow was designed to provide a comprehensive approach to breast care. It offers a team of breast surgeons, radiation therapists, and medical oncologists to provide personalized care. The center is committed to improving reconstructive techniques and offering a range of options to patients.

Bonnie’s treatment plan included a double mastectomy and reconstructive surgery. She chose to have a DIEP flap, which creates a result that looks and feels more natural.

Bonnie explained that she chose the DIEP flap because it was the best option for her. She found that Dr. Au, who recently joined the Breast Center, was reflective and collaborative. He was able to explain the procedure in a way that made sense to her.

Bonnie was pleased with her results. She was able to return to her normal activities and feel confident about her appearance.

Bonnie’s story is just one example of the personalized care that the Breast Center at Smilow provides. The center is committed to providing a comprehensive approach to breast care and offering a range of options to patients.