

Good afternoon,

I'm reaching out to you today because I have been diagnosed with pheochromocytoma/paraganglioma, and I'd like to share some information with you about my disease.

Our understanding of these tumors has changed a lot in recent years! We now know that they're not as rare as previously thought. Advances in imaging and genetics have made it possible to detect them earlier, which has led to better prognoses for people like me. In addition, advocacy organizations like the Pheo Para Alliance don't just support patients --- they also offer educational events for healthcare providers.

Accompanying this note, you'll find some facts about pheochromocytoma and paraganglioma, as well as information on our 2022 Pheo Para Conference, the 3rd Annual Pheo Para Awareness Week and a list of resources which provide current guidelines for medical professionals on the diagnosis and management of pheo/para. I'm also including some links to stories from other patients – you might be surprised at how diverse our community of Pheo Para Superheroes is!

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter. Local healthcare professionals can help us reach a correct diagnosis quicker and are vital to our care going forward.

In our fight against a rare disease like pheo/para, we need allies like you beside us.

Sincerely,

P.S. Please feel free to share this information with your colleagues!