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## Cancer genetic testing highlighted in free Bridgeport Hospital newsletter

BRIDGEPORT, CT (Oct. 16, 2013) – The cancer experiences of twins Brenda LaConte and Bonnie McIlhoney, including the role of genetic testing and the support they received from the Norma F. Pfriem Breast Care Center at Bridgeport Hospital, are recounted in the fall 2013 issue of *Healthy & Wise*, the hospital's free community health newsletter. To request a free copy, call toll free, 1-888-357-2396.

Other articles in the newsletter discuss the hospital's new heart valve clinic; the positive results of consolidating Bridgeport Hospital and Yale-New Haven Hospital's pediatric services; the new Bridgeport Hospital Outpatient Radiology centers; *U.S. News & World Report* recognition of Bridgeport Hospital's geriatric services as among the region's best; the role of palliative care; and the hospital's new Grant Street Plaza entryway.

*Healthy & Wise* is also available online at www.bridgeporthospital.org, under Publications.

Bridgeport Hospital, a member of Yale New Haven Health System and an affiliate of Yale School of Medicine, has 383 licensed beds plus 42 beds licensed under Yale-New Haven Children's Hospital. Located in Connecticut's most populous city, Bridgeport Hospital is a not-for-profit acute care hospital primarily serving patients from Fairfield and New Haven counties. Burn patients from throughout the state are seen in the Connecticut Burn Center at Bridgeport Hospital, the only burn center in Connecticut.

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