

## Susan Lowell Butler

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Susan Lowell Butler is a nine-year survivor of simultaneous breast and ovarian cancer. After exploring her options, she chose to be treated at the NIH Clinical Center on a clinical trial, and achieved remission in both cancers. Susan's ties to the National Cancer Institute (NCI) and the National Institutes of Health community continued after her treatment. She is a co-founder and vice president of the Ovarian Cancer National Alliance, the national advocacy organization for that disease, and in 1997 she was named to serve on NCI's first consumer advocacy board, the NCI Director's Consumer Liaison Group. She has served as a peer reviewer on numerous NCI scientific review panels, and serves on the Clinical Center's Patient Advisory Group, which has provided helpful input into features of the new Clinical Research Center.

Susan has spent many years as a nonprofit chief executive officer and executive. Today she runs her own business, providing management consulting in health care and education. In recent years she has been an occasional columnist for USA Today and USA Today's web site, and she is an active volunteer in her community of Alexandria, Va.

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