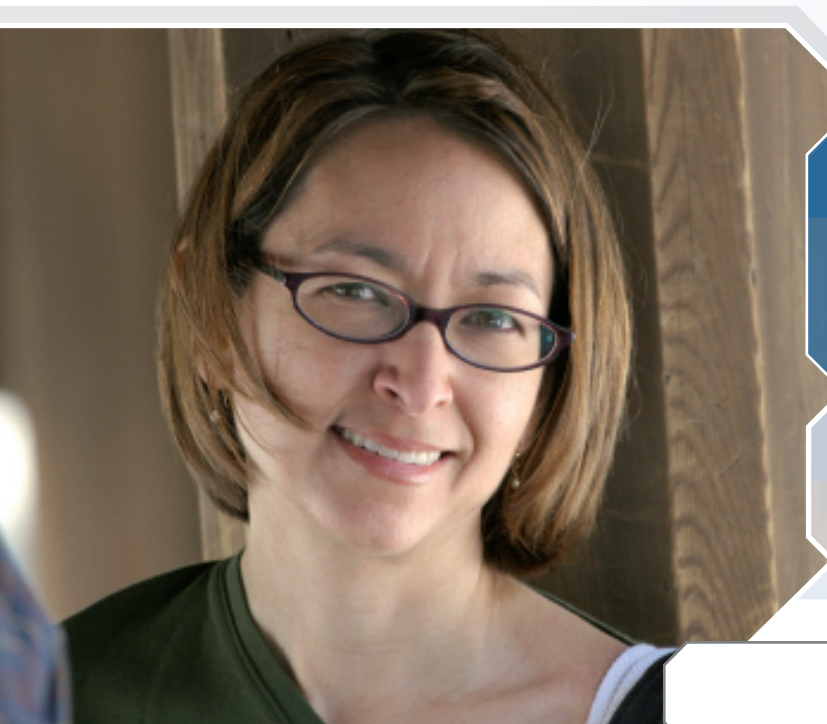


Best Doctors MEMBER STORY



NAME: Susanna

Reason for consulting Best Doctors:
wanted to find the source of her pain

BEST DOCTORS EXPERT

Specialty: orthopaedic surgery

No longer in pain every day

A past tailbone injury had become so severe that even sitting was difficult for Susanna. Simple, everyday activities would intensify the pain and she became increasingly removed from her normal life.

Susanna had been to numerous specialists yet the source of her pain remained a mystery. She turned to Best Doctors for help.

"I was examined by a rheumatologist, a neurologist and an orthopaedic surgeon, but no one could tell me what was causing the pain. Then my case was examined by a Best Doctors orthopaedic surgeon."

Best Doctors collected Susanna's complete medical records and contacted a renowned international orthopaedic surgeon to review her case. After careful review of her imaging and symptoms, the expert recommended that Susanna undergo an exam to check for any tailbone abnormalities, an angle previously not discussed. The exam was set up by her treating doctors and, as the Best Doctors

expert had suspected, she was indeed suffering from a tailbone abnormality.

"My operation was performed in large part due to the instructions on the Best Doctors report. During surgery it turned out that my tailbone was loose, something that had not been detected on any of the images before."

The Best Doctors expert report was decisive. Thanks to the findings, Susanna underwent successful surgery and is now on the mend. With each passing day she is back in touch with her life and with what matters most.

"When the anaesthesia had worn off, I could hardly believe it: the pain was gone! Thanks to the medical expertise provided by Best Doctors, my life has meaning again."

A definitive diagnosis, leading to surgery, meant that Susanna could get back to her normal self.

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