## HERNIA CLINIC



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RE: John Heurung

Dear Milt:

John Heurung was just in. He is approximately a week after his surgical procedure. As you know we took out his gallbladder which had strong evidence of gallbladder disease. The pathologist also talks about chronic cholecystitis with mural thickening. We also took out the appendix not because it was an incidental procedure but because his symptoms make me think of a chronic recurrent appendicitis. Interestingly the pathology shows marked atrophy of the appendiceal mucosa and extensive obliteration of the mucosa and lumen. To me this is strong evidence that much of his pain in the past has been from appendicitis.

He feels much better and says his pain is gone and I truly hope we have been able to help this man. Thank you.

Sincerely,

LAWS & John Challes

David R. Joesting, M.D.

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