Golfer gets back on the course with help from Philips InCourage vest therapy



At the age of 73, golf enthusiast Bill C. was diagnosed with bronchiectasis (BE). "The cough was so deep that I avoided most social situations for fear of embarrassment. I wouldn't attend plays or movies, or anywhere that is quiet with a crowd," Bill said.

His condition worsened when he would get colds that kept him bedridden. "If I walked across the room I would have to stop and catch my breath," explained Bill. "I'm a golfing nut and usually played five times a week while walking the course. The shortness of breath had taken the walking out of the equation."

Bill's pulmonologist explained that while BE wasn't reversible, getting the mucus out of his lungs would greatly improve his quality of life. The doctor suggested a high frequency chest wall oscillation vest. "I started searching information on vests and chose the InCourage system," said Bill. "The InCourage system seems to be of the highest quality. It is extremely well designed."

"My doctor sent a prescription to RespirTech and a representative brought the InCourage [comfort] vest to my home and spent about an hour showing me how to use it," he said. "I started feeling results and from then on my life really started to improve."

Bill's experience with RespirTech's customer service went far beyond initial training as he settled into routine with the InCourage system. "The Customer Care team communicated with me often, asking how things were going and answering my questions. I started a routine of using the vest before breakfast for 30 minutes, then in the evening before dinner. I just put the vest on, push a button and let it work while I read." he said.

The results from his vest therapy speak for themselves. "I've had the InCourage system for about nine months and it has really been a game changer for me. I haven't had a cold since I started using it!" Bill said. "My terrible cough has decreased so movies and plays are back now."

"When golf season started, I was thrilled to find that I could once again walk the course five times a week," he said. "For me it was a blessing and I would recommend anyone in a similar situation to look into vest therapy."

Individual results may vary.



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