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MILDRED (BARRY) FRIEDMAN

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May 10, 1994

Chief Wilma Mankiller
Tahlequah, Oklahoma

Dear Chief Mankiller,

It is my pleasure to write a Newsletter for a group of patients. We are all diabetics who have had kidney transplants. A constant item names successful diabetic kidney transplant recipients.

You are certainly successful. I have read that you are also a kidney transplant patient.

My question: Are you a diabetic?

I don't know the incidence of Type II diabetes in the Cherokee Nation but I do know that it is very high in many groups of Native Americans.

Thank you for taking the time to answer.

Sincerely,

Mildred Friedman