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Dear Kenny James & Team Voices of Cancer

I have been attending the well-established events organised by Voices of Cancer (VOC) for over 5 years. Over those years I have witnessed the amazing work you have achieved in raising awareness of cancer within BAME community here in Leeds and Yorkshire. Your sensitive approach in educating people have enabled people to talk about their experiences as survivor, carer, friend or a person who has lost someone close to them to cancer. This has encouraged people from the BAME community to go to the doctors for check-ups and not to ignore basic symptoms.

VOC brings an evening of entertainment, comedians, fundraising and awareness all together in your own unique and successful style. It is these reasons I believe that despite the good work many cancer charities do there is still so much to do within the BAME community across cities, because of the positive reputation VOC has within the BAME community, health care professionals, local politicians and other cancer charities, I would like to see more events by VOC running throughout the year and venturing into new communities throughout the North of England where statistics show cancer awareness within BAME is still very low.

I believe that VOC does a fabulous job in helping to save lives, through your own personal loss which is a beautiful legacy.

Yours Faithfully

Dr Arthur France MBE  
Chairman of Leeds West Indian Carnival