

Williams Tumor Not Malignant

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The tumor that doctors removed last week from Roy Williams' right kidney is not malignant, the University of North Carolina announced on Wednesday afternoon. Williams, who will enter his 10th season as head coach of the Tar

Heels men's basketball team, had the tumor removed on Sept. 19. Doctors determined the tumor to be benign. Williams also has a tumor on his left kidney. Doctors will perform a biopsy next week to determine its pathology. Doctors are optimistic, according to UNC, that the tumor on Williams' left kidney is also benign.

Williams in a statement expressed appreciation for the support he has received during the past week.

"Number one, I want to express how overwhelmed I have been by the outpouring of support, concern and good wishes by everyone, especially members of the Carolina Basketball family," he said. "I've just been blown away by the calls, cards, prayers and well-wishes from people all around the world in and out of the basketball community.

"My family and I are thankful to all that have expressed your concerns."

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