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You Are Invited to attend the

Spring 2015 Advancing a Cure Lecture



Date: Wednesday May 13, 2015 **Time:** 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Place: Illinois CancerCare, P.C. 8940 N. Wood Sage Road Peoria, IL 61615

No Admission • Seating Is Limited
Please RSVP by Friday May 8th, by calling 309.243.3437
or emailing info@illinoiscancer.com

Successful Screening and Treatment of Lung Cancer







egory Gerstner, MD

Jane Liu, MD

Ambreen Laeeq, I





Patrick Whitten, MD

Judith Williamson, APN

Drs. Gregory Gerstner, Jane Liu, Ambreen Laeeq, Patrick Whitten along with Advanced Practice Nurse, Judy Williamson, will present a lecture on lung cancer including its epidemiology, risk factors, prevention, screening tests and treatment therapies available. The panel will also discuss the incidence of recurrent disease, palliative care programs, and lung cancer clinical trials available in central Illinois.

Groundbreaking RESEARCH. Lifesaving CARE. Illinois CancerCare... because LIFE is precious.

Come celebrate May Day, Cinco de Mayo, and Mother's Day at a great evening to support charity!

IT'S A GIRLS NIGHT OUT AT SENARA!

PROCEEDS SUPPORT ILLINOIS
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\$25 per person

RSVP by April 24th—by phone: 309.693.9600

online: www.experiencesenara.com/maykover2015

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Celebrating Nurses Week

Celebrating Advanced Practice Nurses During Nurses Week

Nurse's week will be celebrated May 6-12, 2015. In recognition of this week of celebration, Illinois CancerCare would like to introduce you to our Advanced Practice Nurses, or APN's. Our APN's are masters prepared, board certified registered nurses who, through advanced education, national testing, and training, are qualified to provide a wide range of preventive and acute care services for the patients of Illinois CancerCare.

They will work in collaboration with your oncologist performing many services, including obtaining health histories, providing complete physical examinations, interpreting laboratory, X-ray and scan results, diagnosing and treating acute and chronic medical problems, and prescribing and managing your medications and other therapies. In addition, a member of the APN group will meet with you individually to provide chemotherapy education, discuss and explain your treatment plan established by your oncologist, and provide supportive counseling and health teaching.

The APN's are most interested in assisting you and your loved ones in managing any side effects you might experience as a result of your chemotherapy treatments. This includes, but is not limited to, control of pain, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, constipation, dehydration, decreased appetite, fatigue or infection. The APN will assist your oncologist in closely monitoring any side effects you may experience, working to obtain your highest quality of life.

Illinois CancerCare currently employs 17 APN's. You may work with them in our Peoria office, or in any of our 11 satellite clinics. Also, our three APN's on our Peoria hospital teamwork alongside the medical oncologist to care for those who need to be hospitalized at OSF Saint Francis Medical Center or Unity Point Health Methodist-Proctor in Peoria. They are based at the hospital, available to see you daily, and work with the hospital staff to design and implement a comprehensive plan of care, meeting your acute needs. All of our APN's maintain privileges at the local Peoria hospitals, as well as at the hospitals utilized by our satellite clinics.

The APN's also provide an integral role in providing care in the four specialty clinics offered to the patients of Illinois Cancer Care. These clinics include Palliative Care,

SmartCare, Survivorship Clinic, and Genetics Clinic. These clinics, and the APN's involved, work in concert to provide you with the comprehensive care you receive at Illinois CancerCare.

The Palliative Care Clinic and the three associated APN's provide care that focuses on improving pain and other distressing symptoms for patients with advanced or life-limiting illness. Palliative care provides emotional and social support according to the patient and family culture, needs, values, and beliefs. The team will assist patients with advanced care planning and Power of Attorney desires.

The SmartCare clinic utilizes all of the APN's working in our Peoria or satellite clinics. Same day visits are available to meet your acute care needs. The APN's will see you, take a history, examine you, and order labs, X-rays, medications, or infusions as deemed necessary, all right at your Illinois CancerCare location.

The Survivorship clinic currently has three APN's working in our Peoria office, and two APN's in our Bloomington office. Currently, the APN's see breast cancer survivors only.

A survivorship visit is planned shortly after completion of therapies, where a comprehensive, individual plan of care is developed for each patient. The plan addresses the patient's specific physical and psychosocial needs, monitors for cancer recurrence, monitors and manages long-term side effects, and promotes a healthy lifestyle. The goal is to move into other disease sites as well.

Our newest clinic with APN involvement is our Genetics clinic. Currently, one APN works with our medical oncologist in this clinic. She assists in providing counseling and testing for all types of cancer including: hereditary colon cancer, breast cancer, ovarian cancer, cancer of the uterus, prostate cancer, melanoma, thyroid cancer and sarcoma.

Any of these clinics can be accessed by speaking with your oncologist or calling 309-243-3000.

Our Illinois CancerCare APN group salutes the hard working nurses of Illinois CancerCare and joins them in celebrating National Nurses Week. But for all of us, it's all about YOU, OUR PATIENTS!! We celebrate you every day for allowing us to be a part of your journey. It is our honor and privilege!

To see all of our Advance Practice Nurses and learn more about them please visit http://illinoiscancercare.com/doctors/advanced-practice-nurses/.

Opportunities and Celebrations

Great Clips offers complimentary clipper cuts to people facing hair loss due to cancer treatment.

Please ask the receptionist in your clinic for the complimentary clipper cut card.

Please see the list below for the Great Clips nearest to you.

Peoria:

4811 N Rockwood – 679-2050 4620 N University – 691-2000 9915 N Knoxville – 243-8600 Grand Prairie – coming soon

East Peoria:

805 W Camp - 427-5900

Morton:

833 W Jackson - 266-9500

Pekin:

3412 N Veterans – 346-5700

Washington:

By Walmart – coming soon

Normal:

1700 Parkway Plaza – 454-2100 1715 Bradford – 454-3700

Bloomington:

1701 E Empire – 433-9100 State Farm South – coming soon

Pontiac:

By Walmart – coming soon

Canton:

15 Eastside Square – 649-1000



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Nutrition •



Sharon Windsor is a Registered Dietician for the Hult Center for Healthy Living.

Nutrition Facts (per one pancake):

73 calories, 1 g fat, 10 g carbohydrates, 1 g sugar, 6 g protein Adapted from: Veggies by Candlelight blog

Recipe from Sharon Whole Wheat Yogurt Pancakes

Ingredients:

- 3/4 cup plain Greek yogurt
- 1 egg
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/2 cup whole wheat flour
- 1 tsp baking soda



Directions

- 1. Combine Greek yogurt, egg, and water until creamy.
- 2. In a separate bowl, combine flour and baking soda.
- 3. Mix wet ingredients with dry ingredients and stir just until batter is combined. Let rest for 10 minutes.
- 4. Cook pancakes as you would other pancakes. Yields 5 pancakes.
- 5. Top with fresh fruit, if desired.

Word Search

Theme: Chocolate

Sudoku

Chocolate

Find and circle all of the words that are hidden in the grid. The remaining 55 letters spell a secret message.

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Words

Addictive	Filling
Baking	Fondue
Bars	Food
Bittersweet	Fudge
Brownies	Ice Cream
Cakes	laing
Candy	Ingredient
Chips	Milk
Chocolatiers	Mousse
Confectionery	Pudding.
Cookies	Semisweet
Cream Pie	Sugar
Cupcake	Swiss
Dark	Syrup
Decadent	Treat
Delicious	Truffles
Dessert	Unsweetened
Drinks	White

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Swing for the Cure



FRIDAY MAY 29TH

A night at the ballpark to honor cancer survivors, their caregivers and loved ones.

6:30 PM

AT THE PEORIA CHIEFS
DOZER PARK

CANCER SURVIVORS WILL RECEIVE TWO TICKETS
TO THE GAME, A GOODY BAG AND A T-SHIRT

To sign up for tickets see the volunteers in any of the Pods or call 243.3437

Ticket sign up will begin Monday, March 30th
Tickets can be picked up Monday, May 4th - Friday, May 15th





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All tickets and t-shirt sizes will be handed out on a first come first serve basis

Volunteers •

APRIL IS VOLUNTEER MONTH

The Volunteers at Illinois CancerCare were asked to complete a survey about their service here. Many responded (THANK YOU!) and here are some quick facts:

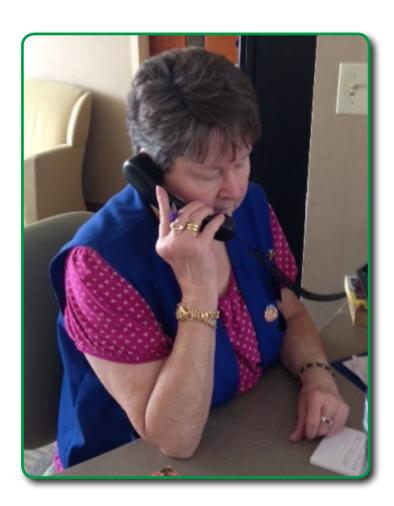
Volunteers have been with Illinois CancerCare between "just started" and 12 years! Almost all of them volunteer because there has been a relative or friend or they themselves have been a patient. All the volunteers said their favorite part about volunteering is that they enjoy helping people and making new friends!



• Volunteers cont.

THEIR ADVICE TO SOMEONE WHO IS WONDERING ABOUT VOLUNTEERING:

Just do it!



Dena is the perfect fit for her job.

She models behavior for volunteers as she listens, cares and truly empathizes with others.

- Volunteers to Dena





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Volunteers cont.

We love getting to know the patients & their families. - Chuck & Shirley J.





I leave my
volunteering position in a
much happier state than when
I walk in, due to all the positive
staff, volunteers, and patients.
-Kelly P.

You get more than you give. - Larry Sullivan and Pam 4.





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Bloomington Construction Update



Illinois CancerCare, new Bloomington location.



Treatment room, under construction!

CHECK OUT THESE COOL PICS FROM "BEHIND THE SCENES" AT OUR NEW BLOOMINGTON LOCATION!



The new waiting room.



Research Department News o

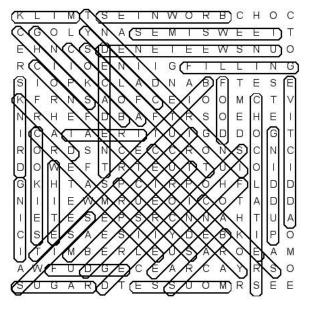
Did you know?

Between April 2006 and September 2010, Illinois CancerCare enrolled six patients into a national kidney cancer trial. As part of this trial, patients donated tumor tissue, blood, and urine specimens. Testing of these samples may tell us who might benefit or definitely not benefit from therapies in the treatment of their kidney cancer following surgery, and possibly in advanced disease. If the results of this trial hold up in other ongoing trials, patients in the future could be spared unnecessary side effects.

Illinois CancerCare is one of the top enrollers to the Lung-MAP trial for patients with advanced squamous cell lung cancer. The trial uses genomic profiling to match patients to one of several different investigational treatments that are designed to target the alterations found to be driving the growth of their cancer. This innovative approach to clinical testing should improve access to promising drugs for patients.

Illinois CancerCare is also one of the top enrollers to the Alchemist trial. ALCHEMIST is studying whether or not treatment based on genotype improves cure rates in early stage non-small cell lung cancer patients that have had their disease completely removed.

Word Search & Sudoku Solutions



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ONCOLOGY-SPECIALIZED PHARMACISTS ENHANCE SERVICE AT ILLINOIS CANCERCARE

Michele Rice, PharmD, BCOP, Director of Pharmacy

The Illinois CancerCare Pharmacy serves patients in Peoria, IL and 11 additional satellite clinics across central and western Illinois.

The pharmacy is made up of two primary departments: IV Preparation and Specialty/Retail. IV preparation is responsible for safely and accurately preparing intravenous treatments to be administered on-site to patients within the office. The Specialty/Retail department is focused on dispensing oral medications to be taken by the patient in the convenience of their own home.

The specialty of oncology pharmacy incorporates comprehensive knowledge, skills, and expertise of pharmacy practice. An oncology pharmacist possesses a unique skill set that is specific to the care of cancer patients resulting in the ability to effectively recommend, monitor, and check treatment plans for various malignant diseases. Medication safety, cancer center formulary management, and supportive care guideline development are at the forefront of their expertise.

Since 1998, The Board of Pharmacy Specialties (BPS) has strictly defined criteria for board certification in oncology pharmacy. Established in 1976 as part of the American Pharmacists Association (APhA), certification through BPS is widely recognized as the gold standard in identifying pharmacists qualified to contribute in an advanced practice setting. Across the United States, there are only 1,000 BPS board certified oncology pharmacists, including practitioners from 17 different countries.

Three pharmacists oversee the chemotherapy process at Illinois CancerCare. The Director of Pharmacy, Michele Rice, PharmD, BCOP, has 17 years of experience as a pharmacist with 15 years in oncology. Michele

has been BPS board certified since 2003; her most recent renewal occurring in 2010. The Specialty/Retail Manager, Jason Harlow, PharmD, BCOP, has 15 years of experience as a pharmacist with four years in oncology. Jason obtained his BPS board certification this past year. Tim Ho, PharmD, joined Illinois CancerCare nearly two years ago as a new graduate following a clinical rotation as a pharmacy student. Tim will be eligible to sit for the BPS board certification examination in two years. Recertification is required every seven years either by earning 100 hours of continuing education or achieving a passing score on the BPS Oncology Pharmacy Recertification Examination.

A BPS Board Certified Oncology Pharmacist:

- Has the advanced knowledge and experience to manage cancer-related and drug-related adverse events or clinical situations not encountered in other disease states due to the increasing number and complexity of drug therapies to treat and prevent cancer.
- Is specially trained to recommend, design, implement, monitor and modify pharmacotherapeutic plans to optimize outcomes in patients with malignant diseases and reduce medication errors.
- Recognizes and responds to adverse physical and emotional issues that may arise during treatment, including pain, nausea and hair loss.
- Works in hospital settings as part of a multidisciplinary team; and in ambulatory clinics, arranging for patients to receive their chemotherapy in a care facility or at home.

(Information courtesy of www.pbsweb.org/news/ BPSOncologyPharmacyFactSheet.pdf)

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Monthly Programs for Cancer Patients, Survivors & Caregivers

provided by the Hult Center for Healthy Living

Aqua Survivor | 9a | Landmark Recreation Center | 3225 N. Dries Lane, Peoria

Breath of Joy Yoga | 5p | Hult Center for Healthy Living | 5215 N. Knoxville Ave., Peoria

A registered yoga teacher who brings her experience as a cancer survivor to the class. FREE of charge and available to Breast Cancer patients, survivors & caregivers.

Beyond Beginner Tai Ji | 6:30p | Hult Center for Healthy Living | 5215 N. Knoxville Ave., Peoria

For those of you who want to challenge yourself, but are not ready for advanced, led by Cara Murdoch.

Tai Ji Circle | **7p** | **Hult Center for Healthy Living** | **5215 N. Knoxville Ave., Peoria** Advanced gentle exercise with Cara Murdoch.

Aerobics | 9a | Hult Center for Healthy Living | 5215 N. Knoxville Ave., Peoria Gentle Exercise with low impact with instructor Beth Stauffer. All levels welcome.

Mindfulness Meditation | 5:15p | Hult Center for Healthy Living | 5215 N. Knoxville Ave., Peoria These sessions are a very simple form of meditation, so you don't need any previous experience. Comfortable seating is provided and sitting on the floor is not required.

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Yoga with Jean | 11a | Hult Center for Healthy Living | 5215 N. Knoxville Ave., Peoria All levels welcome.

Cancer Support Group | 1p | Hult Center for Healthy Living | 5215 N. Knoxville Ave., Peoria Beginner Tai ji | 6:30p | Hult Center for Healthy Living | 5215 N. Knoxville Ave., Peoria

Very basic Tai Ji taught by Cara Murdoch.

Restorative Yoga with Marcy | 5:30p | Hult Center for Healthy Living | 5215 N. Knoxville Ave.

As a cancer survivor, Marcy brings her experience to her classes to gently open body, heart and mind with breath and movement. Beginner friendly. Relax and restore with Marcy.

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Living Strong | 9a | Hult Center for Healthy Living | 5215 N. Knoxville Ave., Peoria Strength training class with Beth Stauffer. All levels welcome.

Cancer Support Group | 10a | Illinois CancerCare | Route 91, Peoria



Calendar of Events

Support Groups & Nutritional Counseling



Individual, Family & Group Cancer Support—Free support services Monday-Friday for persons with cancer, those who have had cancer and for careaivers, facilitated by Kitty Bienemann, MA, NCC, LCPC. To make an appointment, please call 309.243.3461. Group support meets twice a week.

Kids Konnected- For children ages 5-18 whose parent, grandparent or caregiver has or had cancer. This group meets on the Third Saturday of every month from 1:30p-3p. To register for this free group, please call 309.692.6650.

Prostate Support Group "Us TOO Prostate" - Call George Melton at 309.691.6523 for dates and times.

Individual Nutritional Counseling - Free nutritional counseling sessions available Monday-Friday with Sharon Windsor, RD, CSO, LDN and Katrina Sommer, RD, LDN for patients who are experiencing side effects from cancer treatment. To make an appointment, please call 39.243.3462.

Therapeutic Services

Individual Healing Touch Session- By appointment only. Becky Dailey will see clients the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 8:30a and 9:15a. For anyone currently undergoing treatment, enjoy a healing touch therapy session. Please call 309.692.6650 to schedule your appointment.

Massage Therapy- By appointment only. Massages are \$30 per hour for those in "active" treatment and \$40 per hour for those not in active treatment and caregivers. Our experienced team of massage therapists have all received specialized training in oncology massage to deliver safe, comfort-oriented massages to all affected by cancer and its treatments. Please call 309.692.6650 to schedule your appointment.

Mindfulness Meditation- Every Tuesday at 5:15p FREE to cancer patients, survivors and caregivers. These sessions are a very simple form of meditation, so you don't need any previous experience. Comfortable seating is provided and sitting on the floor is not required.

Reflexology- By appointment only. Judy Schlueter, Licensed Reflexologist will see clients on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 8:30a and 9:15a. Call 309.692.6650 to schedule an appointment.

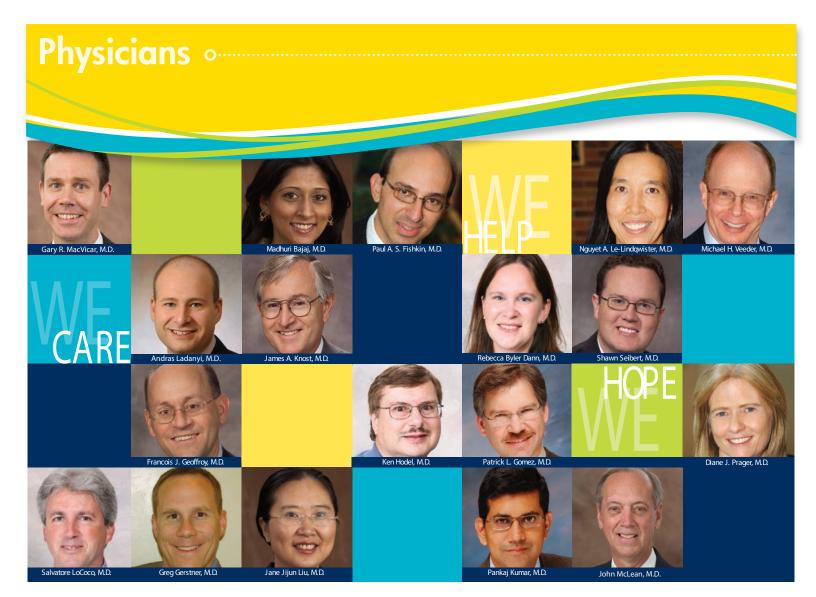
5215 North Knoxville Avenue | Peoria, IL 61614 | p 309.692.6650 | f 309.692.6575 | www.hulthealthy.org

I would like more information about the following services:

Social services form for patients

ACS = American Cancer Society HCHL = Cancer Center for Healthy Living	
☐ Help for children coping with a parent who has cancer (Kids Konnected)	☐ Support Networking groups (HCHL)
Individual counseling for the patient, family members, or caregivers (HCHL)	☐ Massage therapy for patients in treatment (\$30 fee/hr.) (HCHL)
Healthy Living classes (yoga, gentle aerobics, Tai Ji) (HCHL)	■ Nutritional counseling (HCHL)
Cancer Basics 101 class (ACS/HCHL)	Living will/power of attorney directives (ACS)
☐ Financial assistance for treatment, medications, or medical supplies (ACS)	☐ Transportation assistance for appointments (ACS)
☐ Lifeline® Home Emergency Response System (monthly service fee) (ACS)	■ Wigs, hats, turban resources (ACS)
☐ Look Good, Feel Better® (ACS)	☐ Housing/lodging information (ACS)
☐ Meal resources/home delivered meal programs (fee may be required) (ACS)	
☐ Homemaker services, such as household cleaning, errands, general assistant	ce (per service fees apply) (ACS)

More information on the reverse side



Illinois CancerCare Social Services

Illinois CancerCare is proud to partner with the Hult Center for Healthy Living and the American Cancer Society to provide the services listed on the other side to our patients and their families.

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