

Spring To Life™

Spring to Life Conference on Hematologic Malignancies, a CE-accredited, multisponsored, one-day educational conference

Saturday, May 16, 2015

Healthcare Professional Program – 7:30 AM–12:15 PM

Complimentary Lunch – 12:00 PM–1:00 PM

Patient-Centered Program – 1:00 PM–4:15 PM

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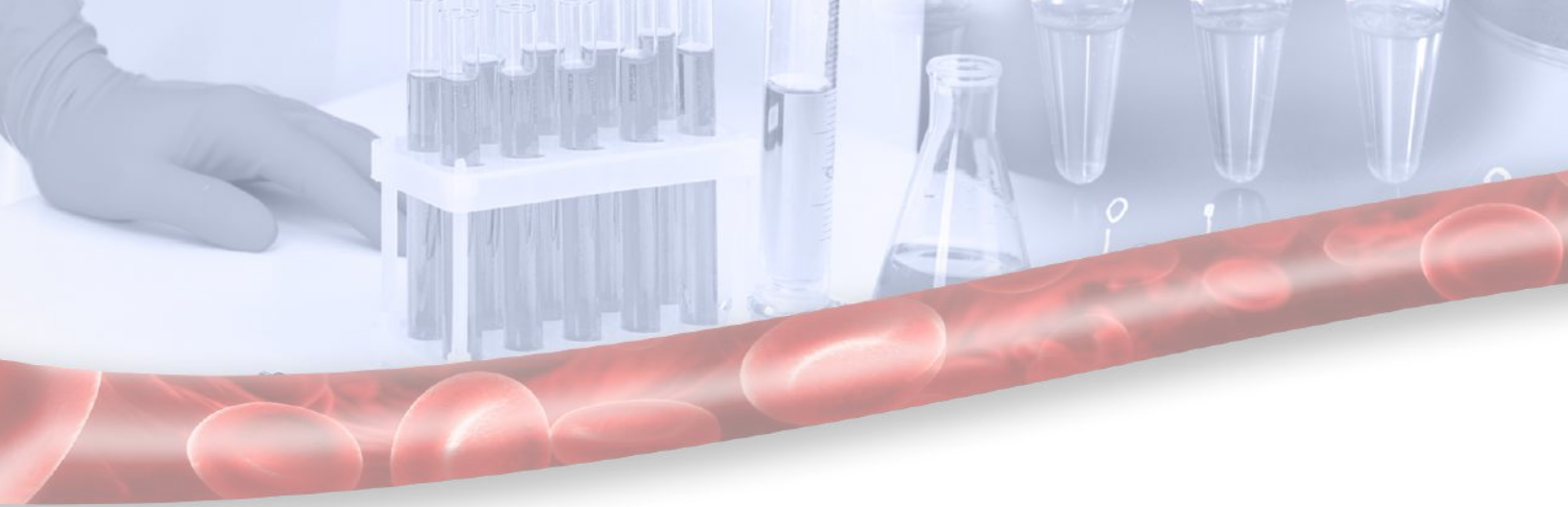
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Dear Healthcare Professional Colleagues:

Welcome to our 2nd Annual ***Spring to Life Conference on Hematologic Malignancies™***. Thank you for choosing to attend, learn, engage, and earn CE credits.

This year we focus on ***Aggressive B-Cell Non-Hodgkin Lymphomas***, a group with expanding diversity in biology, prognosis, and evolving treatments. This includes common diffuse large cell B-cell lymphoma, its double-hit variants, the uncommon and unusual, the gray zone, and our Keynote Address on mantle cell lymphoma.

We again bring together a collaboration of speakers from New York Oncology Hematology and the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, as well as the Melodies Center for Childhood Cancer and Blood Disorders and the Department of Pathology at Albany Medical Center.

Please join us for our enriching afternoon session with patients, families, and the community, as we continue to share the challenges and lessons of our human experience with such cancers, touching on emotional, psychological, social, and spiritual dimensions.

Please also take note of our grantors and exhibitors, whose generosity and support are integral to making ***Spring to Life*** an ongoing reality for our region.

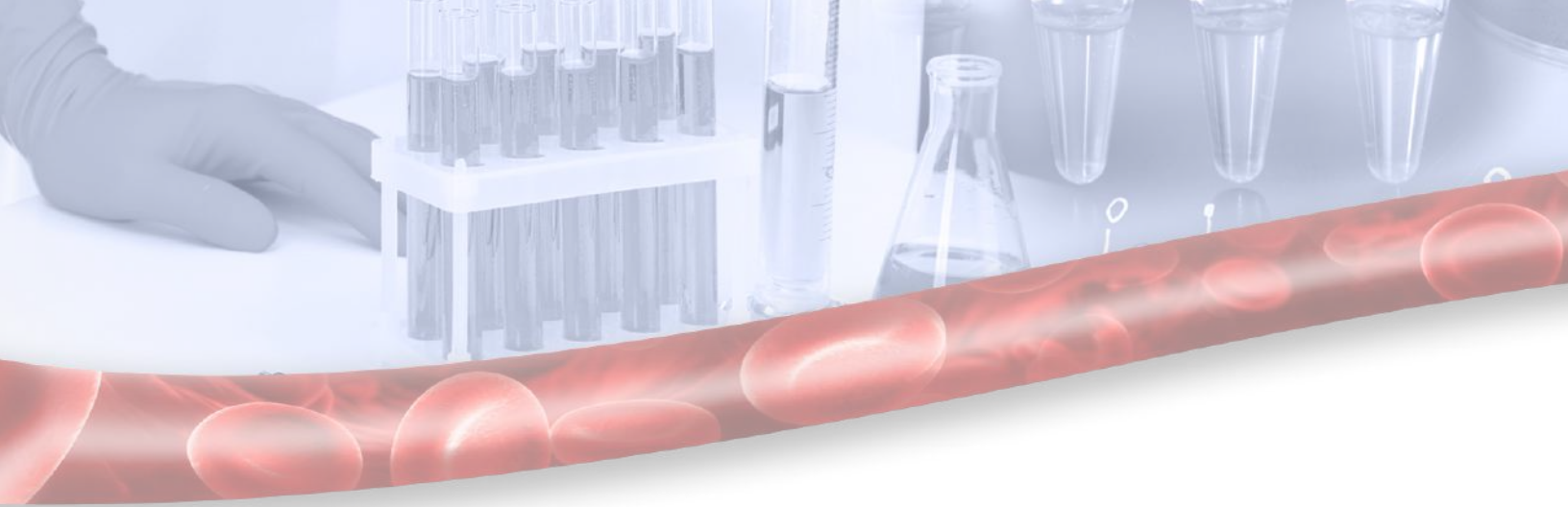
On behalf of our Organizing Committee, thank you again for taking the time out of your lives to join us to further your understanding and to continue to move your practice forward.

Enjoy!

Sincerely,

Ira Zackon, MD, Program Chair

New York Oncology Hematology, PC



Program Agenda: Clinician-Centered Sessions

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7:30 AM	Registration, Breakfast, and Exhibits
8:00 AM	■ Opening Remarks <i>Ira Zackon, NYOH, Albany, NY</i>
8:05 AM	■ Pathology of Non-Hodgkin Lymphomas: Diagnostic Distinctions and Clinical-Pathologic Correlates <i>Tipu Nazeer, Albany Medical College, Albany, NY</i>
8:30 AM	Question and Answer
8:40 AM	■ Aggressive B-Cell Lymphomas in Children and Adolescents <i>Vikramjit Kanwar, Albany Medical College, Albany, NY</i>
9:05 AM	Question and Answer
9:15 AM	■ Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma: State of the Art <i>Ira Zackon, NYOH, Albany, NY</i>
9:40 AM	Question and Answer
9:50 AM	■ Double-Hit Lymphomas and the Gray Zone <i>Ann LaCasce, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, MA</i>
10:25 AM	Question and Answer
10:35 AM	Break, Snack, Exhibits
10:50 AM	■ The Less Common and Unusual Aggressive B-Cell Non-Hodgkin Lymphomas <i>Courtney Bellomo, NYOH, Albany, NY</i>
11:15 AM	Question and Answer
11:25 AM	■ Keynote Address: Mantle Cell Lymphoma <i>Caron Jacobson, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA</i>
12:05 PM	Question and Answer
12:15 PM	■ Lunch, Networking, and Exhibits <i>Ira Zackon, MD</i>

Program Agenda: Patient, Family, and Caregiver-Centered Sessions

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11:30 AM–1:00 PM	Patient/Family Registration
12:00 PM	Lunch, Exhibits
1:00 PM	■ Session 1 - Emotional Impact of Diagnosis <i>Group interview followed by guided interactive discussions</i>
2:00 PM	Break, Snacks, and Exhibits
2:15 PM	■ Session 2 - Anxiety and Coping <i>Edward Dick, LCSW</i> – Mind and body response to stress – Coping strategies
3:15 PM	■ Moderated Open Session With Audience – An opportunity for audience to discuss and respond to previous sessions
4:15 PM	■ Concluding Remarks – Look ahead to next year

Program Description

New York Oncology Hematology invites you to the second annual **Spring to Life Conference on Hematologic Malignancies**.™ This program was developed in collaboration with the Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW), the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society® (LLS), and a panel of expert faculty from the academic, research, and community practice settings.

With programming for healthcare professionals, social workers, and the community, the goal of this activity is to bring together cancer care providers and members of the community—including

patients, survivors, family, and caregivers—to gain an up-to-date understanding of blood cancers, including ongoing research, clinical management, and emerging therapies. The program will also provide perspectives on the impact cancer has on the lives of patients and families.

The 2015 conference will focus on state-of-the-art care for patients with mantle cell lymphoma or aggressive B-cell lymphomas.

Healthcare professionals are welcome and encouraged to participate in the afternoon patient-centered sessions.

Learning Objectives

Clinician-Centered Sessions

Upon completion of this symposium, physicians, nurses, and allied health professionals will be better able to:

- Discuss pathophysiology of mantle cell lymphoma (MCL) and aggressive B-cell lymphomas (BCLs) and up-to-date classification schemes
- Critically evaluate and integrate emerging data related to MCL and aggressive BCL
- Discuss what is known about the effectiveness of therapies for MCL and aggressive BCL
- Apply information about risks and benefits to individualized treatment planning of MCL and aggressive BCL
- Engage in shared decision making with patients and families about treatment options for MCL and aggressive BCL

Target Audience

The target audience for this conference is family and primary care practitioners, hematologists, oncologists, pediatricians, allied health professionals (including nurses, pharmacists, and social workers), basic scientists, and members of the community (including patients and their family and caregivers).

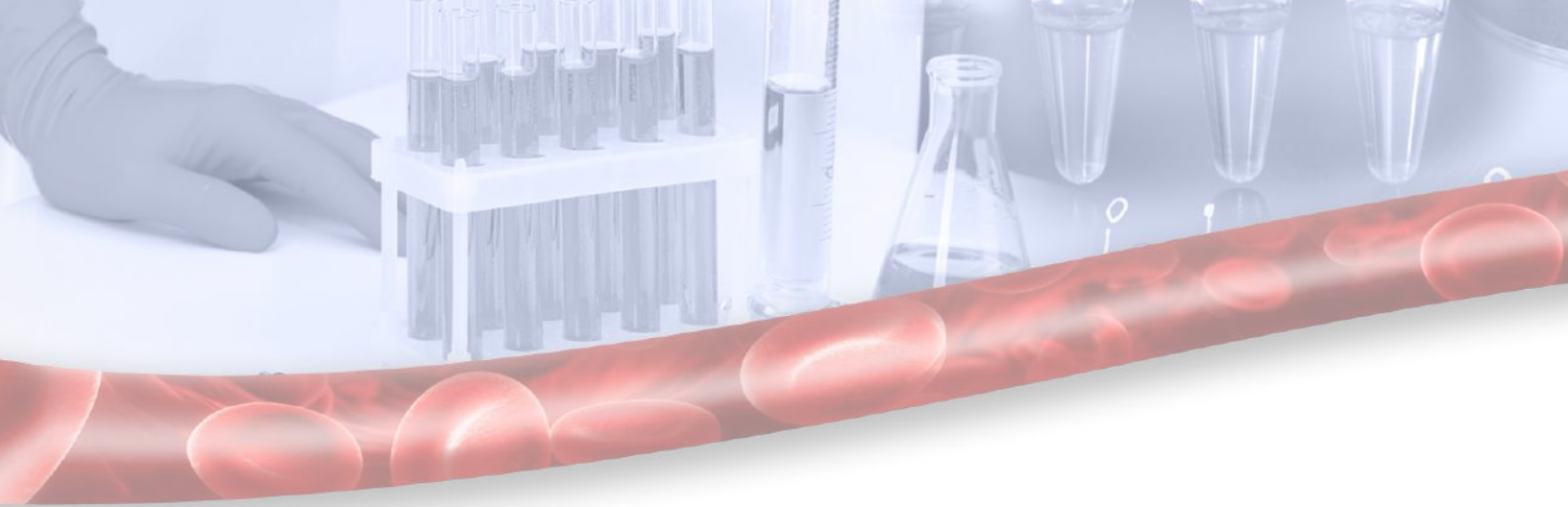
Patient, Family, and Caregiver-Centered Sessions

Upon completion of the afternoon segment of this symposium, physicians, nurses, allied health professionals, and social workers will be able to:

- Understand the initial and evolving dynamics that accompany a cancer diagnosis
- Assist families in understanding the various components that make up an anxiety state and how they interact
- Apply mindfulness methodologies with patients and families to manage anxiety states
- Explain the complementary roles doctors, nurses, clinical social workers, and other staff play in the physical and emotional care of the patient and family

Fee Information

There is no fee for this educational activity.



Accreditation Statements

LLS Nursing Accreditation Statement

Approval for nurses has been obtained by the National Office of The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society under Professional number CEP 5832 to award 7.0 continuing education contact hours through the California Board of Registered Nursing.

LLS Social Worker Accreditation Statement

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS), provider number 1105, is approved as a provider for social work continuing education by the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) www.aswb.org Approved Continuing Education Program (ACE). Approval Period: December 2011 – December 2015. LLS maintains responsibility for the program. Social workers should contact their regulatory board to determine course approval. Social workers will receive 3.0 CE clock hours.

For NYS licensed Social Workers seeking continuing education credit, Provider #117 application for SW Continuing Education accreditation is pending approval as of March 20, 2015 by NYSED. Please refer to the conference website for updates regarding status of the NYSED accreditation application.

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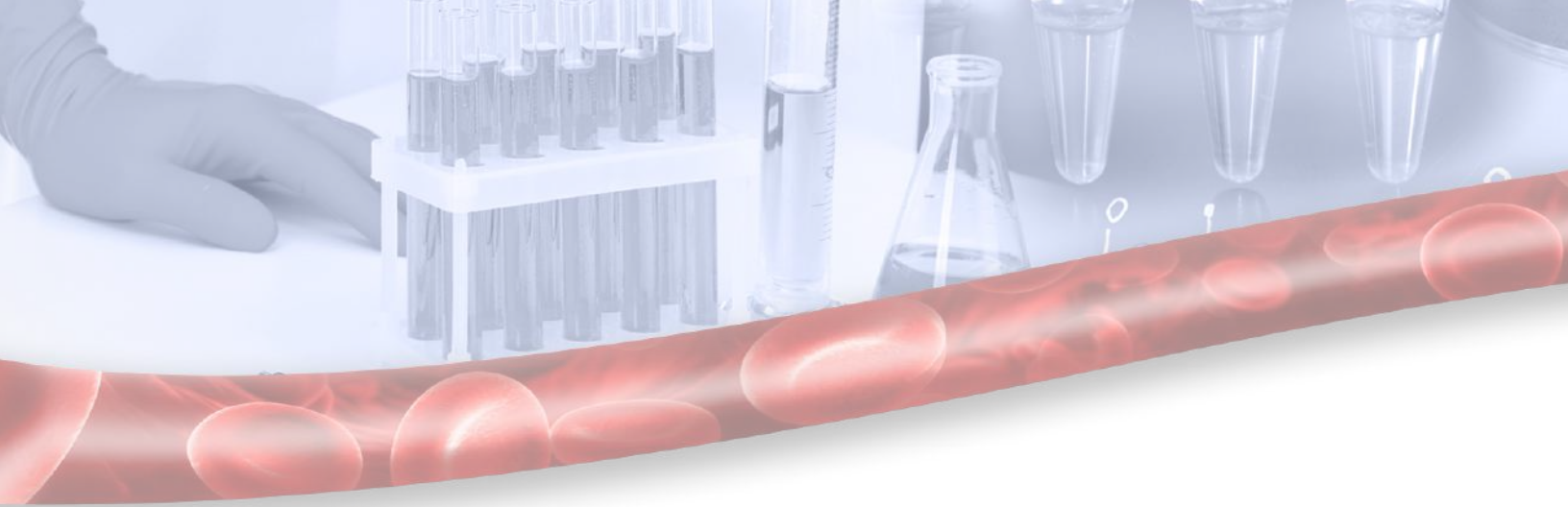
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Faculty Biographies



Courtney Bellomo, MD, is a hematologist/oncologist and stem cell transplant physician at New York Oncology Hematology, PC (NYOH) and clinical assistant professor at Albany Medical College in Albany, New York. After earning a medical degree in 2006 from

Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in Piscataway, New Jersey, she completed an internal medicine residency and a hematology/oncology fellowship at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick, New Jersey. In 2009, she served as chief resident of the internal medicine residency program. She joined the staff at NYOH in August 2013.



Sami Brake, MD, is a hematologist/oncologist at New York Oncology Hematology, PC (NYOH) and director of the Plasmapheresis and Transfusion Center at Albany Medical Center, both in Albany, New York. After earning a medical degree in 2004 from

Damascus University School of Medicine in Damascus, Syria, Dr. Brake completed a residency in internal medicine and a fellowship in hematology/oncology at the Henry Ford Health System in Detroit, Michigan. In 2011, he joined the staff at NYOH.



Edward Dick, LCSW, is a clinical social worker in private practice based in Hoosick, New York. In 1982, he earned a master's degree in social work from Rutgers University, New Jersey. He worked as a clinical social worker at St. Peter's Hospice in Albany,

New York, from 1982 to 1990, where he served as the psycho-spiritual coordinator from 1986-1990. In July 1990, he moved to private practice. In this capacity, he provides individual, family, and group psychotherapy in multiple practice settings, including the Turning Point Counseling Center in Cambridge, and New York Oncology Hematology Practices in Albany, Clifton Park, and Troy, New York. He also provides contractual services for St. Peter's Hospital ALS Regional Center, Community Regional Hospice, and other organizations. The primary focus of his practice is care for patients with serious illness and their family members.



Caron Jacobson, MD, is a hematologist/oncologist and instructor in medicine at Harvard Medical School within the department of medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital and the division of medical oncology and hematology, he-

matologic malignancies, at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston, Massachusetts. After earning a medical degree at Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York, New York in 2004, she completed a residency in medicine at

Columbia University Medical Center in 2007, during which she served as chief medical resident. She went on to fellowships in medicine and hematology/oncology at Dana-Farber/Partners Cancer Care, Harvard Medical School, and Brigham and Women's Hospital, which she completed in 2011. She earned an MSc degree in clinical investigation in 2014. Dr. Jacobson has received numerous recognitions for her academic and professional excellence. Her translational research focuses on B-cell biology and immunology. She is developing investigator-initiated clinical trials targeting B-cell survival pathways and harnessing the immune system for the treatment of B-cell lymphomas.



Vikramjit Kanwar, MRCP (UK), MBA, FAAP, is chief of the division of pediatric hematology-oncology, director of the Melodies Center for Childhood Cancer and Blood Disorders, and professor of pediatrics at Albany Medical College in

Albany, New York. After earning his MBBS from All India Institute of Medical Sciences in New Delhi, India, in 1986, he became a Member of the Royal College of Physicians, UK, in pediatrics, and then completed a pediatric residency at University of California Irvine Medical Center in Orange. He completed a fellowship in pediatric hematology-oncology at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee, in 1996, and earned an MBA from the William E. Simon Graduate School in Rochester, New York, in 2002. Since 2005, he has been at the Albany Medical Center where he is the principal investigator for all Children's Oncology Group research trials. He has published widely, and serves for leadership positions in the Children's Oncology Group and the American Society of Pediatric

Hematology-Oncology. He currently oversees the Pediatric Leukemia/Lymphoma service, and, with the rest of his colleagues at the Melodies Center, specializes in diagnosing and treating patients with a wide range of childhood cancers.



Ann LaCasce, MD, is a senior physician specializing in hematology/oncology at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute (DFCI) and an assistant professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School in Boston, Massachusetts. She is director of the DFCI/Partners Cancer Care Hematology-Medical Oncology

Fellowship Program. After earning a medical degree at Tufts University School of Medicine in 1996, she completed an internal medicine residency at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, where she served as chief medical resident. She completed a fellowship in hematology/oncology at DFCI/Partners Cancer Care in 2002, before receiving academic and clinical appointments at Harvard and DFCI. She is on grant review committees for the Lymphoma Research Foundation, the Alliance for Clinical Trials in Oncology, and the American Society of Hematology. Dr. LaCasce serves in various editorial capacities for numerous peer-reviewed publications and has authored many manuscripts, meeting abstracts, and other scientific/medical works. Her research focuses on the development of novel therapies for lymphoma, and she is a member of the National Comprehensive Cancer Network's Lymphoma Guidelines Panel and the Cancer and Leukemia Group B Lymphoma Committee. As the DFCI member of the Alliance Lymphoma Committee, Dr. LaCasce designs and conducts multicenter clinical trials in both Hodgkin and non-Hodgkin lymphomas.



Tipu Nazeer, MD, is director of surgical pathology and director of hematopathology fellowship in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine at Albany Medical College in Albany, New York. After earning a medical degree at King Edward

Medical College in Pakistan in 1982, he completed a residency in anatomic pathology/clinical pathology at Albany Medical Center Hospital/Veterans Administration Hospital in Albany. He completed a fellowship in hematopathology at Albany Medical College in 1993. In 1995, he performed a fellowship in oncologic pathology at the University of Texas, Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, before his appointment as assistant professor of pathology at Albany Medical College. Dr. Nazeer is an active investigator in the field of oncologic pathology and has been a member of the hematopathology subcommittee of the Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group since 1995. He has authored numerous manuscripts, book chapters, and meeting abstracts in this field, with an interest in large cell lymphoma.



Donna Offenbacher, RN, OCN, is a chemotherapy and triage nurse and nurse manager at New York Oncology Hematology at Albany Medical Center in Albany, New York. Ms. Offenbacher earned a nursing degree from Hudson Valley Community College in Troy, New York, in 1970. She went on to complete a mentorship program in the division of oncology hematology at Albany Medical Center in 1979. She has maintained an oncology nursing certification since 1982. Prior to

joining New York Oncology Hematology in 1981, Ms. Offenbacher worked at Leonard Hospital in Troy from 1967-1981. She also served as a part-time hospice home care intake and admission nurse at St. Peter's Community Hospice from 1996-1999. She is an active member of the Capital District Oncology Nursing Society and served as the chapter president in 2010. She was nominated by patients on two separate occasions for the *Cure Magazine* Extraordinary Healers Award, in 2007 and 2009. Additionally, she was honored with the 2010 Nursing Excellence Award from US Oncology for the Northeast region of the United States and the Albany Medical Center Champions Award in 2014 in recognition of her service to patients and families.



Ira Zackon, MD, is a hematologist/oncologist and director of the Stem Cell Transplant Program at New York Oncology Hematology, PC (NYOH) and assistant clinical professor at Albany Medical College in Albany, New York. After earning a medical degree in 1986

from McGill University in Montreal, Quebec, Canada, he completed an internship and residency in medicine at Royal Victoria Hospital in Montreal in 1987. Dr. Zackon completed fellowships in hematology/oncology at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, Lebanon, New Hampshire (1990-1992), and Northwestern University Medical Center, Chicago, Illinois (1992-1994). At NYOH, Dr. Zackon has developed the practice's autologous stem cell transplant program, expanded collaborative care for allogeneic bone marrow transplant patients at NYOH with regional transplant centers, and focused NYOH participation in research trials in the hematologic malignancies through the US Oncology Network and the Blood Cancer Research Partnership in association with the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston, Massachusetts.



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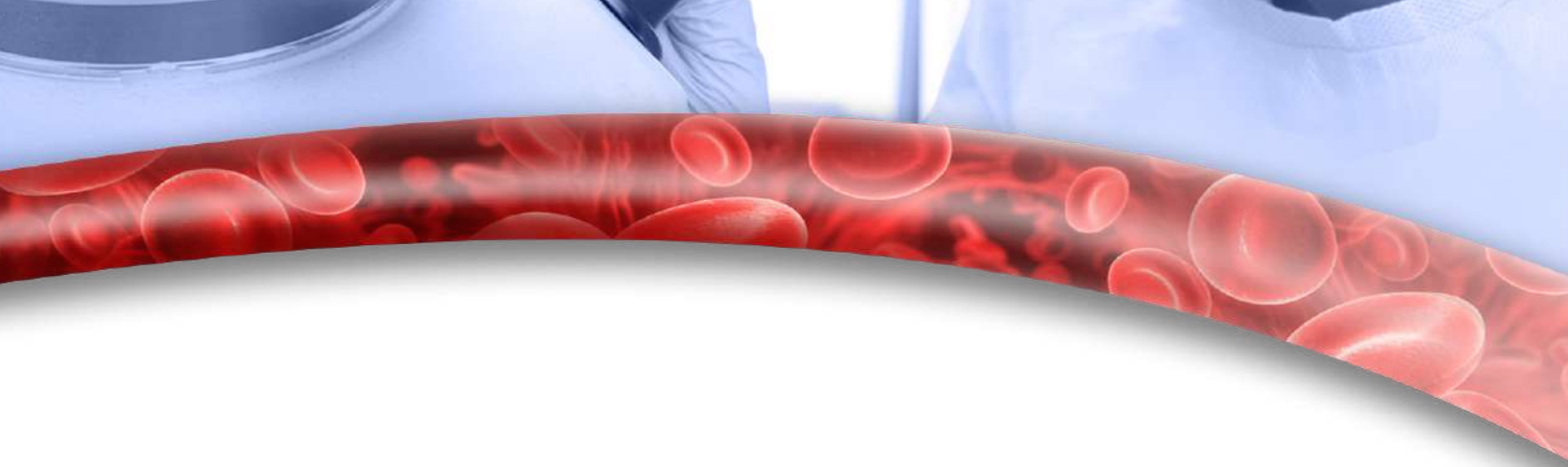
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