Beyond Cancer 101

This Information Guide has been created to help you and your loved ones find proven, up-to-date information and support.

The materials in this Guide can be found in the Patient Education Resource Center (PERC), Level B2/Ground Floor, of the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center. For more information, visit: http://www.mcancer.org/support/learning-about-cancer/education-resource-center

Cancer News

The websites below offer databases focusing on Cancer News. These include articles in easy-to-read language about new developments in cancer as well as information from peer-reviewed scientific medical literature. In a way, these articles provide "translations" of technical medical articles into a more easy-to-read language, and help to describe topics currently being explored in cancer research.

- **American Cancer Society**
  ➔ Click on “Learn about Cancer”
  ➔ Click on “News and Features” from under the “Learn About Cancer Topics” Heading

- **CancerConnect.com**
  ➔ Click on “DAILY CANCER NEWS” at the top of the page

- **Cancer.Net**
  ➔ Click on the “MENU” button then select “BLOG”
  ➔ Can also sign up for a free monthly e-newsletter

- **CancerQuest**
  ➔ Click on “Newsroom” at the top of the page

- **MedlinePlus**
  ➔ Type “cancer” into the search box
  ➔ Then on left hand side of the page under “Refine by Type” click on “News”
• National Cancer Institute  
http://www.cancer.gov/  
→ Click on the “MENU” button on the top of the page  
→ Select “News & Events”

• Oncolink  
http://www.oncolink.org/  
→ Scroll down and the page until you see the heading “In the News”

Illustrations
The sites below offer color Illustrations that can help in understanding cancer diseases and treatment.

• Cancer.Net Medical Illustrations Gallery offers a collection of color illustrations of common sites where cancer occurs. Included are anatomical illustrations and illustrations of the cancers by stage. To access go to:  
http://www.cancer.net/navigating-cancer-care/cancer-basics/medical-illustrations-gallery

• Medlineplus.gov - A.D.A.M. Medical Encyclopedia includes color medical photographs and illustrations. To access go to: www.medlineplus.gov  
→ Enter a term in the search box  
→ In your search results click on “Medical Encyclopedia” on the left hand side of the page to find the relevant images.

• NCI Visuals Online - this database from the National Cancer Institute contains anatomical illustrations, photos of diagnostic procedures and other cancer related images. To access go to: http://visualsonline.cancer.gov/

Webcasts and Transcripts
Webcasts are virtual conferences that offer patients the opportunity to interact with cancer specialists via the Internet in real time, utilizing RealAudio or RealVideo software. During the webcasts oncologists provide detailed, lay language explanations of the diseases and new developments in research. After the live broadcasts the transcripts and video files of the event are posted on the site.

The following sites offer transcripts and/or video files of cancer webcasts:

• CancerCare - Connect Education Workshops  
http://www.cancercare.org/connect_workshops#past_workshops
Many podcasts of both upcoming and past workshops are available. Podcast titles are also searchable by diagnosis or by topic.
• Cancereducation.com
  http://www.cancereducation.com/
  Provides multimedia programs about cancer and cancer-related topics

• Cancer.Net
  http://www.cancer.net/blog/podcasts
  Provides patient information on cancer research, treatment, and coping in an audio podcast format.

• Cancer Medicine – Holland-Frei, 6th edition. The full version of this medical textbook is provided free online by the National Library of Medicine.
  → From the drop down menu next to the search box select “Books”
  → Type “Cancer Medicine” into the search box. (note: this is a medical textbook written in technical language)

Cancer Answering Services
The websites below provide an answering service in which cancer specialists answer questions from cancer patients and caregivers.

• Ask CancerCare
  http://www.cancercare.org/questions
  Can submit a question online and read answers to other questions in an archived searchable database.

• National Cancer Institute Cancer Information Service
  http://www.cancer.gov/global/contact
  1-800-4-CANCER (1-800-422-6237)

• University of Michigan Cancer Answerline
  http://www.mcancer.org/about/cancer-answerline
  1-800-865-1125