



## Better People. Better Health. Better Caregivers.

### What We Treat:

We treat all cancers at the University of Illinois Cancer Center. Those that we see most frequently include:

- Breast
- Brain
- Gastrointestinal and Colon
- Genitourinary, Renal and Prostate
- Gynecological
- Head and Neck
- Hematology (cancers of the blood and bone marrow)
- Leukemia
- Lungs
- Lymphoma
- Myeloma
- Pediatric Cancers
- Adult Survivors of Pediatric Cancers

The University of Illinois Cancer Center functions as part of the [University of Illinois Hospital and Health Sciences System](#). As a result, our first priority is the safety and welfare of our patients, and we strive to provide the highest standard of care in a comfortable, compassionate environment. As an educational institution, we pride ourselves as the largest medical school in the country, servicing one of the most diverse populations and excelling on the brink of ground-breaking research. We are an academic cancer center, which provides our patients with access to the latest discoveries of our scientists and oncologists, as well as world-renowned speakers that visit to share their breadth of knowledge.

### ELIMINATING THE BURDEN OF CANCER

Our Cancer Center mission is to eliminate the burden of cancer, for all individuals, in all populations, and in all manners in which cancer is experienced. We recognize that cancer does not discriminate, and therefore it is our responsibility to develop prevention, screening, treatment, and care to all who may be at risk. This includes the urban environment and the rural landscape of greater Illinois. We are a regional leader in research in cancer disparities, and as our investigators learn more about the origins, prevention and treatment of cancer, they translate these laboratory findings into advances in patient care and how information about cancer is communicated to the community.

### COLLABORATIVE COUNCILS

As a function of our various NCI funded grant structures, we maintain a collaborative council with our surrounding community organizations. This provides them with an opportunity to come together and share how we can collectively serve the population through cancer education, research and resources. This helps us be better healthcare providers, by understanding what each community needs and then supplying those services.

### COMMUNITY FOCUS, COMMUNITY CARE

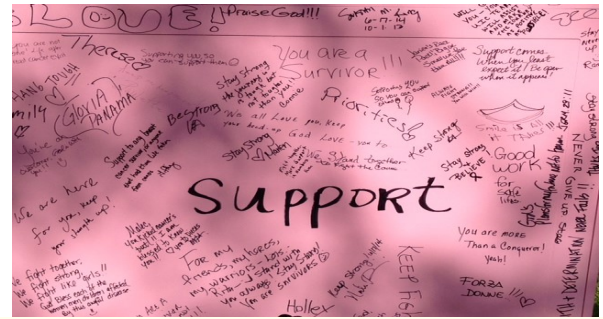
Because our providers are uniquely aware of the disproportionate impact that the burden of cancer has on certain minority populations, we make it a priority to become part of the community. We have solid relationships with institutions, faith-based organizations and social services that are available to attend to our patients' needs and can help administer assistance to our patients as they might experience the cancer journey. We call this model a **Bench to Community Model**. This means that we are directly applying the research, screening, prevention and education tools that we are developing in our labs, to the communities that we serve. This also enables us to bring our services to the Mile Square Health Centers that are in your neighborhood.



<https://cancer.uillinois.edu>

Call 1-866-600-CARE to make an appointment





## Better Research. Better Technology. Better Medicine.

### A MEETING OF THE MINDS

The University of Illinois Cancer Center employs a healthy community of faculty committed to fully understanding cancer. This faculty bridges three campuses and 11 colleges throughout the University, representing an holistic view of cancer that knows no boundaries. The research we do is separated into thematic programs, looking at the birth of cancer and preventing a reoccurrence; the biological landscape of cancer; eradicating cancer through directed medicine and the societal and behavioral role of cancer. Research within these programs is then translated into the latest treatments, often based on genetic or environmental information that enables a personalized approach to medicine. Our multidisciplinary cancer clinics offer patients the best in comprehensive care. Likewise, we strive to provide our many dedicated health care providers the tools needed to facilitate participation in clinical trials, seminars and cross-disciplinary collaboration.

### STATE-OF-THE-ART SCIENCE

Cancer Center members have access to the services of many valuable shared resources that are supported by the University. These resources include facilities with cutting-edge technology, updated equipment, and statistical and methodological services and expertise that enable our clinicians and researchers to break new ground on their understanding of cancer, development of new therapies, and strategize how we can best prevent our future generations from the dangers we know that exist today.

### CLINICAL TRIALS ENABLE QUALITY CARE

Every medication got its start in clinical trials. Without clinical trials, we wouldn't have the healthy patients we have today. We wouldn't have the benefits of chemotherapy, immunology, stereotactic radiotherapy and all of the other pieces of personalized medicine that we are now able to use because clinical trials enable us to determine what works. 21st century cancer care is a whole new game, and technology has given us more advances and greater opportunities to find a cure. As a result, our clinical trials team ensures that our patients receive the highest quality of care throughout, while providing potential opportunities for treatment that might not otherwise be possible. We welcome you to our service.

### MAKING MEDICINE MINDFUL

The freshest minds and most novel ideas are born here. That is what translates into innovative methods for treating and preventing cancer. It's also the way we approach our patients, with a broad spectrum of faces and places, and new clinics and manners of making medicine accessible every day. By ensuring that we will treat whoever crosses our path, we make a promise to ourselves and to our community that we aren't giving up on cancer, and we hope you won't either.



#### EXPERT OPINIONS

The University of Illinois maintains accreditations from:

- The American College of Surgeons
- The Commission on Cancer,
- The Lung Cancer Alliance.
- The National Accreditation Program for Breast Cancer Centers



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