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PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Welcome to the first issue of the Foundation Newsletter. As I write this, I am filled with pride to be a part of such a worthy Foundation and Cancer Center. It is always a joy to be able to help people when they need it most. A diagnosis of cancer or a blood disease will set your world on its end. The Foundation tries to be a lifeboat in this sea of unknown.

How does the Foundation obtain funds so we can take care of these people? We depend on the generosity of the public. The wonderful art on the walls at the Cancer Center is for sale with a percentage going to the Foundation. We also accept memorials in honor of loved ones. I am proud of this young Foundation and elated to be part of the New Mexico Cancer Center. Please join us in becoming a member of this Foundation!

Jan Clowe, NMCCF Board President

MISSION OF THE FOUNDATION

To provide temporary financial support to New Mexico Cancer Center patients undergoing treatment for non-medical living expenses. To provide Continuing Medical Education Programs in several therapeutic areas to foster excellence with clinical and other health professionals in the delivery of high quality patient-focused cancer care statewide.

HISTORY OF THE FOUNDATION

The compassionate physicians of New Mexico Oncology Hematology Consultants, Ltd. working at New Mexico Cancer Center formed the 501(c)(3) New Mexico Cancer Center Foundation in 2002. Their goal was and continues to be to assist cancer patients as they embark on the journey of healing by helping with ancillary unmet needs often associated with the diagnosis of cancer.

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

October 3rd & 4th

Breast Cancer - "Who's At Risk & What's New in Treatment?"

Target Audience: Medical Oncologist, General Surgeons,

Primary Care/Family Practice Doctors & Ob/Gyn's

For More Information Please Contact Monica Acosta at 505-828-3791.



UPCOMING EVENTS



- Art Show at the New Mexico Cancer Center - Sunday September 21st.
- Patient Education Class - "Am I Just Blue or is this Depression" October 7th @ the NMCC
- 25th Annual Duke City Marathon - Sunday, October 19th - Downtown Albuquerque
- Patient Education Class - "End of Life Discussion" - November 4th @ the NMCC
- Holiday Arts & Crafts Fair - December 4th & 5th @ the NMCC

For more information contact the New Mexico Cancer Center Foundation at 505-828-3791

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Membership in the Foundation provides: A seasonal newsletter with up to date information on the diagnosis and treatment of cancer, an invitation to the Art Shows at the Cancer Center, a schedule of Continuing Medical Education programs, as well as the feeling that you are helping cancer patients. Funds go exclusively toward non-medical expenses and are tax deductible.

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NMCCF PATIENT GRANT PROGRAM

Through the Patient Assistance Grant Program, the Foundation's primary mission is to use the money donated to provide financial assistance as a rapid response fund. Since Dec. 2003, the Foundation has disbursed \$160,000 to 250 cancer patients via third-party payees ongoing living expenses such as rent, utilities, childcare or transportation.

Applications are available to patients of the New Mexico Cancer:
www.nmcancercenterfoundation.org

"Breast Cancer is so devastating. I am so relieved there was help in this time of crisis. I had no idea others cared."
 - T.M., Rio Rancho

"The Foundation was like a raft for me. I am stunned that anyone actually cares about me."
 - R.S., Albuquerque