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PUBLIC NOTICE
MAGNET RECOGNITION PROGRAM®
SITE VISIT

- Cancer Treatment Centers of America (CTCA) at Midwestern Regional Medical Center (Midwestern) has applied to the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) for the prestigious designation of Magnet. The Magnet designation recognizes excellence in nursing services.

- Patients, family members, staff, and interested parties who would like to provide comments are encouraged to do so. Anyone may send comments via e-mail, fax, and direct mail. All phone comments to the Magnet Program Office must be followed up in writing.

YOUR COMMENTS ARE CONFIDENTIAL AND NEVER SHARED WITH THE FACILITY. IF YOU CHOOSE, YOUR COMMENTS MAY BE ANONYMOUS, BUT MUST BE IN WRITING.

- YOUR COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY October 13, 2013.

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Next Outer Beauty for Inner Peace set

The return of Outer Beauty for Inner Peace (OBIP) after several years has been a tremendous success. The next session is scheduled for September 10, 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the Mission Room. The class is free to patients but participation is limited. Those interested should call 847-746-6586 to register.

Outer Beauty for Inner Peace is an educational session that helps patients understand how to manage their make-up needs with their changing skin during treatment. The aim is for patients to be armed with enough information that they can readily achieve a desired look when they are in front of their own mirror at home.

Some of the helpful information delivered during the Outer Beauty for Inner Peace session inlcudes the science of applying make-up around the eye.

The next guided patient outing is Sunday, September 22. Patients will delight in a visit to the Milwaukee County Zoo, followed by a casual lunch at the Cheescake Factory on Milwaukee's west side.

Contact Guest Services for more information, or to sign up for Guest Services-sponsored outings, call 847-746-6586. For self-guided outings, sign up at the concierge desk in the hospital front lobby.

Radiation oncology gets accreditation

Radiation Oncology received accreditation from the American College of Radiology in June 2013. The goal of the Radiation Oncology Practice Accreditation Program is to provide an impartial, third party peer review; recognize quality radiation oncology practices and make recommendations for improvement.

Thanks to a unified commitment to quality patient care from all stakeholders in the Radiation Oncology department, the team was awarded accreditation on its first submission and received high praise for the physics program.

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Popcorn makes a "million smiles"

For the Summer of a Million Smiles, seven cars and 13 volunteers from the Popcorn Factory carried 1,200 bags of popcorn that were freshly made at the Popcorn Factory that morning. The aim was to pass out every bag of popcorn and collect a lot of smiles from all guests. Midwestern stakeholders Abby Mutert and Nicole Greene, both RDs, were just two examples of the success that day.

Midwestern welcomes new doctors

Laura Farrington, DO

Laura C. Farrington, DO, has joined the staff at CTCA at Midwestern as a full-time Medical Oncologist.

Doctor Farrington is board certified in Internal Medicine by the American Board of Internal Medicine. She most recently completed a Medical Oncology Fellowship at East Tennessee State University. She completed her internal medicine residency at the Medical College of Wisconsin. Dr. Farrington studied osteopathic medicine at the Midwestern University Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine. She completed undergraduate studies at the University of Dayton obtaining a degree in chemical engineering with minors in bioengineering and psychology.

Herbert Beck, MD

Herbert H. Beck, III, MD, has joined the staff at CTCA at Midwestern as a Gynecologic Oncologist. Dr. Beck will provide coverage part-time on Mondays in the clinic.

Dr. Beck has provided his clinical expertise to various hospitals in the Chicago area for nearly 30 years. Currently, Dr. Beck is the Senior Attending Physician in the Division of Gynecologic Oncology at NorthShore University Health System's Evanston Hospital, Highland Park Hospital and Glenbrook Hospital. He also is a consultant in gynecologic oncology for Northwestern Lake Forest Hospital and an associate for Advocate Condell Medical Center.

Dr. Beck fulfilled his Doctor of Medicine, internship and residency in obstetrics and gynecology at Northwestern University in Chicago. He completed a fellowship in gynecologic oncology at Loyola University Medical Center Affiliated Hospitals.

Dr. Beck is board certified by the National Board of Medical Examiners and the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology. *Chicago Magazine* has honored him three times as a Chicago-Area Top Doctor for Gynecologic Oncology. "The patient is the main driver of her care," says Dr. Beck of the PEC model. "It is a privilege to practice gynecologic oncology, and I have always felt this way since the first day I started practice 29 years ago."

Briefs

Seeking financial help?

Assistance in Healthcare applications are due the last Friday of each month. Awards are considered the second Tuesday of each month. Applications can be turned in at the following First Connections locations: Lobby Front Desk, Lobby Concierge Station, and any Financial Counselor office.

Use current drug card

Guests, please have your current prescription benefits card available when coming to CTCA, especially when getting prescriptions filled at the in-house retail pharmacy. This speeds up service for all and ensures each patient gets the correct prescription in a timely manner.

Reiki sessions open

Patients and Caregivers: Are you interested in learning Reiki (a form of gentle, non invasive, hands-on healing) to help with relaxation and stress reduction for yourself and your loved ones? Call the Mind-Body office at 847-872-6391.

Recreation passes available

During weekdays and business hours, patients can stop at the concierge desk in First Connections for Shiloh Golf Course passes and bicycle passes. On weekdays, please call 847-746-6284. After 5 p.m., and on weekends, check with First Connections at the hospital or at the front desk of either Guest Quarters.

Retail pharmacy hours

Hospital retail pharmacy hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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