

"Providing an opportunity for multiple myeloma patients and their loved ones to come together to exchange information for mutual support, comfort, and friendship"

Meeting: Tuesday January 15, 2019 3:30pm – 5:30pm

451 Junction Road Madison, WI

UW West Clinic Room 1287

Enter the clinic... turn left and walk down a short hall...turn left again and conference room 1287 is the last one on the left.

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<u>Upcoming Meeting Speakers...</u> Mark your calendars now!

<u>Dr Sara Christensen Holz</u>, Associate Professor Dept of Orthopedics and Rehabilitation will be our featured speaker February 2019. I have asked her to talk about balance issues and neuropathy.

Dr Aric Hall will be our guest speaker for our March meeting. He is a group favorite so mark your calendars now.

Our condolences to the family of Alice Wampole. Alice joined our group November 2017. She attended meetings when she could. Her treatment days usually were the only reason she was not at the meetings. Alice had a long work history in nursing and as an educator. She was kind, compassionate and loving to all. We will miss her.

<u>Drug company Bristol -Myers Squibb is spending \$74 billion on fellow drugmaker Celgene</u> in a deal aimed at stocking the combined company's developments pipeline with cancer, immunology and cardiovascular treatments. Bristol would gain the cancer treatment Revlimid and Pomalyst in the cash and stock deal as well as inflammatory disease treatments and several products close to launching. Wisconsin State Journal January 3, 2019

<u>"Time to Talk"</u> Found the attached article while waiting for an appointment. From time to time, we get this question about when to communicate and how much to tell. Although, this is very individual.... here are some tips.

Check out the IMF website for information about the recent ASH conference. There are several great videos and articles to read. Check the archives of past overviews.

**IMF Info Line** – If you or someone you care for has Myeloma, you have questions. Probably, lots of them. You can search the Internet all you want, but other than asking your doctor, there is no better way to get your questions answered than to call the IMF Info Line. Missy, Judy and Paul know their stuff and they want to share what they know with you. Just ask anyone who has called the IMF Info Line. Patients or caregivers are welcome to contact the Info Line staffed by trained specialists at 800-452-CURE (800-452-2873). The Info Line is staffed between 9am and 4pm Pacific Time, 11am to 6pm Central time or infoline@myeloma.org.

**The Trillium Fund** was established by our founding support group members to facilitate Multiple Myeloma research here in Madison at the Wisconsin Institute of Medical Research. If you or your family wish to donate or send a memorial to this program, checks can be made payable to the "UW Foundation – Trillium Fund". Sean Lynch Director of Development UW Carbone Cancer Center University of Wisconsin Foundation 1848 University Ave Madison, WI 53726 (608) 422-1714 cell sean.lynch@supportuw.org

www.mycarbone.org has been established as an easier way to contribute. Check it out!