



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

Meeting: **In person meetings will resume when we are allowed to gather at the address below.**

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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July 2022 Myeloma Newsletter

Upcoming Meeting Speakers

Kimberly A. Gibbs RN, BSN, OCN.,Patient Advocacy Liaison from Takeda Oncology will be our featured speaker for the August meeting. Topic to be determined later.

Reached out to WI SHIP to present at our September meeting. Wisconsin’s State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) provides outreach and assistance to Wisconsin Medicare Beneficiaries. Even if you don't live in Wisconsin, every state as SHIP. It is a federally funded program.

Update- We do have a representative for this meeting! More info to follow.

Dr Timothy Schmidt, UW Carbone Cancer Center will be out featured speaker for the July 19th meeting. He will be presenting information related to chromosomes and genetics. Mark your calendar now!

CARVYKTI Cart T Cell Therapy

On February 28th, the FDA approved a second Car-T treatment for relapsed or refractory myeloma. Carvykti is a personalized B-cell maturation antigen. It works by finding and binding to BCMA, a protein that is found almost universally on myeloma cells.

It is delivered as a one-time intravenous infusion manufactured for each individual patient using their own T cells. Cells are collected and genetically modified to recognize and attach to the BCMA on the surface of myeloma cells. T cells are a type of white blood cell that plays a central role in the immune system. Infusion takes no more than 2.5 hours. The IMF has an educational booklet explaining more.

Our virtual meetings are on the Zoom platform.

The meeting for July 19, 2022 will be from 3:30pm to 5:30pm featuring Dr Timothy Schmidt from the UW Carbone Cancer Center.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://myeloma-org.zoom.us/j/84457667535?pwd=V0IJTDNQ2FOZ1hMUKFaRmJBc0Qzdz09>

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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” and sent to UW Carbone Cancer Center, University of Wisconsin Foundation, 1848 University Ave, Madison, WI 53726. Donations may also be made online at www.supportuw.org/give (Trillium Fund in Multiple Myeloma Research – 112903576). For any questions, please call Daniel Rosen at (608) 264-5437 or email curecancer@supportuw.org.