



“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 May 16, 2017 3:30pm – 5:30pm**
451 Junction Road
UW West Clinic Room 1287
Enter the clinic... proceed left past the vending area... turn left again and conf. room 1287 is the last one on the left.

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Upcoming meeting speaker:

Dr Natalie Callander will be our October meeting speaker. She will be here at 4:30pm.

Our May meeting does not have a scheduled speaker. It will be a group sharing meeting. A great chance to get caught up with everyone.

Thank you to Al Kanner for his generous donation! As always, the donations go a long way to cover the cost of printing and mailing. It is always appreciated. Soon, we will have a more efficient printer and ink costs will be greatly reduced.

Have you taken a look at the Smart Patients website?

Smart Patients is an online community where patients and caregivers learn from each other about treatments, challenges, and how it all fits into the context of their experience.

You may not know the background of how the Smart Patient site got started. The great patient advocate, Mike Katz passed away in April of 2015. One of his many important roles was leading the IMF's support of an online peer-to-peer community for myeloma patients. Mike founded the online patient community in 1995 and led it for nearly 20 years when it was an email-based system as part of the Association of Cancer Online Resources (ACOR). He led its transition to the Smart Patients web-based platform in early 2014 and worked closely with the Smart Patients team. Mike also served as the connection between Smart Patients and the IMF. Join at <http://www.smartpatients.com/imf>.

Our April meeting speaker from the IMF, Sue Enright mentioned this video presentation. It is worth watching and is less than 5 minutes! #AskDrDurie: [What are the important aspects of different types of imaging?](#) Dr. Brian Durie of the IMF explains the difference between x-rays, MRI, CT, and PET image scans. Each one has its place in detecting myeloma, and he walks viewers through them all. Find this one on the IMF site for viewing.

These more current videos may interest you too.

Ask Dr Durie Video

- March 30: If frontline therapies do not produce a full response, will ASCT do so?
<https://www.myeloma.org/videos/if-frontline-therapies-do-not-produce-full-response-will-asct-do-so-0>
- April 6: What is the best way to manage recurrent lung infections?
<https://www.myeloma.org/videos/what-best-way-manage-recurrent-lung-infections-0>
- April 13: Which type of chromosome damage can predispose a family member to Myeloma?
<https://www.myeloma.org/videos/which-type-chromosome-damage-can-predispose-family-member-myeloma-0>
- April 20: What is the role of high dose melphalan with autologous stem cell transplant (ASCT) in 2017?
<https://www.myeloma.org/videos/what-role-high-dose-melphalan-autologous-stem-cell-transplant-asct-2017-0>
- April 27: How do the new guidelines on x-rays and scans affect my testing and monitoring?
<https://www.myeloma.org/videos/how-do-new-guidelines-x-rays-and-scans-affect-my-testing-and-monitoring-0>

Save the dates.....

CancerCare presents...”Progress in the Treatment of Multiple Myeloma”. Thursday, May 18, 2017, 1:30 – 2:30 pm, Eastern Time [Register Now](#). Registrants can listen in live over the phone or online as a webcast.

Upcoming summer fund raiser....

Save the date for “**On Course for a Cure**”, a golf tournament to raise money for the Trillium Fund for Multiple Myeloma Research at UW Carbone Cancer Center. The event will be held at noon on Monday, August 7, 2017 at Blackhawk Country Club, 3606 Blackhawk Dr., Madison, WI, 53705. Golf will be followed by a program and dinner. For more information, please contact Katie Dowling-Marcus at kdowlingmarcus@gmail.com.

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”.

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