

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

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This new information will be verified and updated. Contact phone number 1-800-955-4572 www.healthtree.org.

## October 2025 Myeloma Newsletter

## **Upcoming Meeting Speakers**

Dr Zhubin Gahvari, Hematology/Medical Oncology from the UW Carbone Cancer Center will be our featured speaker for the December 17, 2025 meeting. This meeting is on a Wednesday to accommodate Dr Zhubin's schedule. Mark your calendars for Wednesday and not Tuesday. He will be sharing some results of the ASH conference as well as a Q &A session for us.

Shannon Ramirez, BSN, RN, OCN Oncology Clinical Educator J & J Innovative Medicine will be our featured speaker for the January 20, 2026 meeting. Topic to be determined later.

Riley Menagh from Blood Cancer United will be our featured speaker for the February 17, 2026 meeting. Topic to be determined later.

Brittany Hartmann, Patient Navigator from the MMRF will be our featured speaker for the October 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. She will be presenting information on CAR-T & Bispecific Antibodies. Mark your calendars not to miss this meeting!

Not sure how many of our group members have been following the <u>iStopMM project in Iceland</u>. Why is this study so important? Results of this work could change the way MGUS and Smoldering MM is being treated or when to treat it. What if this led to standard screening and how this early stage of Myeloma would be treated? Less bone damage.? Less treatment fatigue? Early management of disease would lead to better long term outcomes. Included is an article on the progress made so far.

**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 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 specialist 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 Janie Winston 608-512-6068 or email at Janie.Winston@supportuw.org

## Madison MM Support Group is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting October 21 2025 starting at 3:30pmCST

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