



NORTH MEMORIAL HEALTH CANCER CENTER
**2018 COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM
ANNUAL REPORT**

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Joseph Levine, MD

Oncology Medical Director, Program Chair

As the Medical Director of North Memorial Health Cancer Center and chair of the Cancer Committee, it is my privilege to present the 2018 report of our program. We hope you will use this an introduction to our commitment to provide the best care for our customers and their families. The diagnosis of a cancer or a blood disorder is a life changing event.

At North Memorial Health Cancer Center, we focus on empowering you to help make the most informed decisions about your care. Our physicians and nurse practitioners are skilled in the use of traditional chemotherapy, molecularly targeted therapy and the novel immunology therapies. We offer expert services in surgical oncology, radiation oncology and palliative care, and we will work alongside your primary care provider to make sure your needs are met. North Memorial Health Cancer Center is also proud to provide access to a multitude of services such as medication support, financial counseling, survivorship, and other social services and are fortunate be a part of our customer's care team.

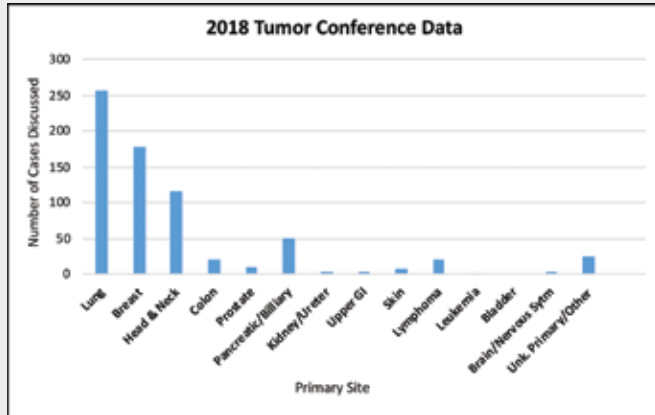
Kate Sullivan, RN, BSN

Director, Specialty Clinics

As the Director of North Memorial Health Cancer Center and a nurse with over 20 years of hematology/oncology experience, I am very proud of the care we are able to provide to those customers that have chosen North Memorial Health.

North Memorial Health has been accredited by the American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer since 1987. This means that for over 30 years, our program has been taking a multidisciplinary approach to cancer care that is driven by the highest standards and continuous clinical and programmatic improvement. Our team has a long tenure in taking care of customers with cancer and other blood disorders and strives to provide the best experience for both customers and their families during what can be a very difficult time.

Tumor Conference Presentations by Primary Site at North Memorial Health



3 TUMOR CONFERENCES PER WEEK

Our cancer center continues to host three weekly multidisciplinary tumor boards that are highly attended.

CLINICAL GOAL:

Integrated Health Program at Cancer Center

Added free yoga and exercise classes and massage services for our customers.

PROGRAMMATIC GOAL:

Working on EMR integration with North Radiation.

QUALITY:

1. Studied the need for an improved psychosocial/legal distress screening process and partnered with Cancer Legal Line.
2. Partnered with Care Access to improve customer access for scheduling and triage.

PAY IT FORWARD:

Supported the Pay It Forward fundraising event. Grants help customers with breast and other women’s cancers pay for basic living expenses so they can focus on what is really important – getting healthy.

PARTNERED WITH TRELIS Rx:

For increased access to oral medications for our customers at the Cancer Center Pharmacy.



NEW PHYSICIAN:

Rena Shah, MD

OPEN ARMS:

Continue to partner with Open Arms of Minnesota for increased access to food for our customers.



We Value Quality

Accreditations from:

- Det Norske Verita (DNV)
- American College of Surgeon's Commission on Cancer

Certified Services and Programs in:

- Surgery
- Radiology
- Breast
- Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
- Palliative Care

Members of:

- The Association of Community Cancer Centers

Studies of Quality and Improvement

Each year, the Cancer Committee selects goals to improve care delivery at North Memorial Health Cancer Center. 2018 goals included:

- **Clinical goal to implement integrated health services** at the Cancer Center for our customers. Free yoga and exercise classes, as well as massage services for customers were provided.
- **Programmatic goal of integrating North Radiation EMR with North Memorial Health Epic** was investigated with discussions between both facilities.
- **Cancer Legal Line study** found that there is a need for an improved psychosocial/legal distress screening process, which we have implemented at the Cancer Center.
- **Lynch Study** for genetic referrals following colon tumor resections. The study found that there is opportunity to improve the referral process following pathology findings. Our pathology reports have been updated with appropriate referral prompts.
- **Care Access addition** to increase customer access to scheduling and triage. Care Access took over managing incoming calls in July 2018, and we partnered with them on the development and process improvement efforts of triaging and scheduling customers calling in to the clinic.

Wanting to help our customers achieve their best health

Prevention

- **Head and neck cancer awareness**

North Memorial Health co-sponsored with Delta Dental of MN a conference for medical and dental professionals and customers. The conference was an urgent call to collaborate due to the epidemic of HPV-associated head and neck cancer.

- **Family Night at North Market**

North Memorial Health sponsored an evening at North Market for a family-friendly night with kids activities, wellness and cancer education and fitness classes.

- Breast health and cancer prevention education
- Diabetes education
- Nutrition information
- Resources for mental health
- Free blood pressure readings

Screening

- **Breast cancer screening**

North Memorial Health Clinic - Minnetonka held a Sage screening mammography event in February. In October, a breast cancer awareness table was set up in the hospital atrium to provide breast health and breast cancer prevention information to the public.

- **Oral, head and neck cancer**

Team members from OMFS (Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery) provided oral, head and neck cancer screening at the conference in April. They also participated in the Mission of Mercy event in Minneapolis in September to provide cancer screening and free dental care.



MEET THE TEAM



Board Certified Hematology/
Oncology Physicians

Board Certified Oncology
Pharmacists

Board Certified Radiation
Oncology

Board Certified Palliative Care
Physician

Board Certified Nurse
Practitioners

Cancer Registry

Chemotherapy Certified Nurses

Clinical Office Staff

Financial Counselor

Genetic Counselors

Licensed Practical Nurses

Medical Assistants

Oncology Certified Social Worker

Oncology Clinical Nurse
Specialists

Pharmacy Technicians

Wellness Team

Comprehensive Cancer Providers

ONCOLOGY MEDICAL DIRECTOR	ONCOLOGY/ HEMATOLOGY	RADIATION ONCOLOGY
Joseph Levine, MD	Kamalesh Bala, MD Tulasi Gummadi, MD Avanti Mehrotra, MD Robert Schneidewend, MD Joseph Levine, MD Daniel Frenning, MD Rena Shah, MD	Kurt Nisi, MD Somu Suppiah, MD
SURGICAL ONCOLOGY		
Breast Cancer: Kourtney Kemp, MD Adrienne Bowen, MD Sarah Lippert, MD Rachel Tay, MD Ryan Chupp, MD	Esophageal Cancer: Kourtney Kemp, MD Steven Kern, MD Jonathan Gipson, MD Kamrun Jenabzadeh, MD	Gastric Cancer: Corey Stennes, MD Kourtney Kemp, MD Steven Kern, MD Matthew Kissner, MD Jonathan Gipson, MD Adrienne Bowen, MD Gregory Vitas, MD Kamrun Jenabzadeh, MD Sarah Lippert, MD Rachel Tay, MD Munyaradzi Chimukangara, MD
Liver Cancer: Jonathan Gipson, MD	Pancreatic Cancer: Jonathan Gipson, MD Kamrun Jenabzadeh, MD	Thyroid Cancer: Corey Stennes, MD Kourtney Kemp, MD Kevin Croston, MD Steven Kern, MD Matthew Kissner, MD Jonathan Gipson, MD Gregory Vitas, MD Kamrun Jenabzadeh, MD Rachel Tay, MD Munyaradzi Chimukangara, MD Ryan Chupp, MD

THORACIC SURGICAL ONCOLOGY	ORAL, HEAD AND NECK SURGICAL ONCOLOGY	PALLIATIVE CARE
Mark Solfelt, MD	Deepak Kademani, MD	Joseph Sicora, MD
ONCOLOGY NURSE PRACTITIONERS	ONCOLOGY CLINICAL NURSE SPECIALISTS	GENETIC COUNSELORS
Toni Scherling, APRN, CNP Heather Penning, APRN, CNP Charina Wynia, APRN, CNP Christine Wiese, ANP-BC, MSN, PHN	Shirley Kern, APRN, CNS, AOCN Jean Pupkes, APRN, CNS, AOCN	Joy Larsen Haidle, MS, LGC Katherine Baker-Lange, MS, LGC



Services

- Oral Surgery
- Thoracic Surgery
- Genetic Counseling
- Pharmacy
- Onsite Wellness
- Breast Center
- Radiation Therapy and Imaging
- Physical and Occupational Therapy
- Palliative Care
- Hospice
- Grief and Loss Support Programs
- Monthly Support Groups

Cancer Committee Membership

**Cancer Committee Chairperson and
Medical Oncology:**

Joseph Levine, MD

**Cancer Liaison Physician and Surgical
Representative:**

Corinne Jordan, MD
(alt. Jonathan Gipson, MD)

Cancer Program Administrator:

Kate Sullivan, Director
(alt. Kerri Keskitalo, RN)

Diagnostic Radiology Provider:

Thomas Peltola, MD
(alt. Nellie Bauer, MD)

Pathology Provider:

Katie VanPatten, MD
(alt. Virginia Dale, MD)

Radiation Oncology Provider:

Kurt Nisi, MD
(alt. Somu Suppiah, MD)

Quality Improvement Coordinator:

Kerri Keskitalo, RN

Cancer Registry Quality Coordinator:

Nancy Lobeck, CTR

Community Outreach Coordinator:

Shirley Kern, APRN, CNS, AOCN
(alt. Jean Pupkes, APRN, CNS, AOCN)

Clinical Research Representative:

Gulnara Mamneva, RN
(alt. Meaghan Wagner, RN)

Psychosocial Services Coordinator:

Jennifer Kreitz, LICSW, ACM
(alt. Kayla Carlson)

Oncology Nurse:

Christine Jones, RN, BSN
(alt. Kathy Johnson, RN)

Social Worker/Case Manager:

Jennifer Kreitz, LICSW

Cancer Conference Coordinator:

Andrea Ronnebaum, RHIT, CTR

Palliative Care Team Member:

Joseph Sicora, MD

Cancer Genetics Professional:

Joy Larsen Haidle, MS, LGC
(alt. Katherine Baker-Lange, MS, LGC)

**American Cancer Society Community
Representative:**

Anne O'Keefe

Oncology Clinical Nurse Navigator:

Jean Pupkes, APRN, CNS, AOCN

Rehabilitation Services:

Terri Herme, Manager

Cancer Program Pharmacist:

Erin Kelley, PharmD, BCOP

Inpatient Oncology Nurse Practitioner:

Christine Wiese, ANP-BC, MSN, PHN

Mental Health Practitioner:

Benjamin Musburger, LAMFT





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