Hope Cancer Care of Nevada Continues Patient Advocacy Initiatives with the Launch of the CPAN Chapter and Other Supportive Efforts

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Local oncology clinic continues to drive patient-centered care forward.

LAS VEGAS, April 24, 2023 – Hope Cancer Care of Nevada (HCCN), community-based oncology practice and partner practice of American Oncology Network, LLC (AON), announced its patient advocacy initiatives including launching a local CPAN chapter and continuing to support cancer patients and survivors with dedicated resources.

“Patient-centered care and decision-making are how we do what is right for our patients and their families,” said HCCN Board-certified medical oncologist Raja S. Mehdi, MD. “At our clinic, we strive to deliver the highest level of care our patients deserve as well as be their advocate and voice. We are excited to be expanding our patient advocacy efforts to launch a local CPAN chapter and continue to honor our cancer survivors along the way.”



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HCCN will be the first CPAN chapter in Nevada and joins over 30 practices across 17 states. The Community Oncology Alliance (COA) Patient Advocacy Network (CPAN) is a nationally recognized patient advocacy group that works to preserve access to community-based cancer clinics. The organization brings to light national and local healthcare policy regulations and issues that have the potential to impact patient care.

“Hope Cancer Care of Nevada helps patients receive state-of-the-art, personalized care close to their homes. All too often, they’re the ones that suffer the most when local, affordable cancer care is threatened by misguided government policies,” said COA Director of Patient Advocacy and Education Rose Gerber. “It is important that those involved at all levels of healthcare truly understand what community oncology practices do and go through. We are excited to welcome Dr. Mehdi and his practice to the network.”

“We are elated to learn of Hope Cancer Care of Nevada’s joining of CPAN,” said AON Chief Medical Officer Stephen “Fred” Divers, MD. “Patient care does not only occur in a patient room or infusion room nor is it only present when a patient enters the clinic until the time they leave. It is an ongoing mission to understand what is happening locally and nationally in healthcare and then ensure that patient care remains the sole priority. The growth of such advocacy networks like CPAN is only one path to changing the landscape of healthcare for the better.”

In addition to instituting the CPAN chapter, HCCN continues to support cancer survivors with a Cancer Patient Survivor Night at the Ballpark event on May 11 from 6:45 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. where additional proceeds will be donated to the nonprofit Nevada Childhood Cancer Foundation. HCCN also hosts the monthly Hope Care Support Group for patients who have any cancer type. Those attending are given a safe space to share their experiences and gain support.

“It is our duty to provide our patients with not only medical care and services but mental support and guidance,” said Mehdi. “The resources we provide at the clinic are designed to help patients along their cancer journey and to hopefully provide some comfort that they are not alone in their fight.”

HCCN has served the Las Vegas and Pahrump communities for more than 13 years, treating various cancer types and offering holistic cancer care and therapies.

HCCN joined AON in July 2019. For more information about AON, visit aoncology.com/. For more information about HCCN, visit hccnevada.com/.

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The organization provides unique and comprehensive protocols for managing administrative procedures and enhancing ancillary services for its affiliates. AON is able to aggregate volume and attain economies of scale, as it guides its member physicians and practices through the transition to value-based reimbursement models that improve the patient experience and help to reduce the per-capita cost of cancer care.

AON also provides a unique model of physician-led, community-based oncology management. With services such as a centralized specialty pharmacy, diagnostics, pathology, fully integrated electronic medical records, a care management team and a variety of financial assistance programs, an alliance with AON ensures that patients' experiences are at the very pinnacle of cancer care today. Learn more at aoncology.com.

About Hope Cancer Care of Nevada
Specialists in the diagnosis and treatment of cancer and blood disorders, Hope Cancer Care of Nevada providers have been serving patients in the Las Vegas and Pahrump, Nevada areas for more than 13 years. As a community-based practice, we offer a full range of exceptional cancer services, providing the highest quality treatment based on research and focused on the whole person. Learn more at hccnevada.com/.

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