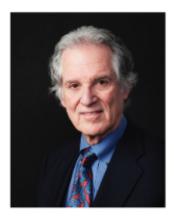


American Oncology Network, LLC & The Center for Cancer and Blood Disorders Welcome Bruce Cheson, MD

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Fort Myers, Fla., May 4, 2021 – Drs. Ralph V. Boccia, Victor M. Priego and Mark G. Goldstein of <u>The Center for Cancer and Blood Disorders</u> (CCBD) welcome Hematologist/Oncologist <u>Dr. Bruce Cheson</u> to the community oncology practice. CCBD, an <u>American Oncology Network</u> (AON) partner, has two office locations in Maryland, in Bethesda at 6410 Rockledge Drive, Suite 660 and in Germantown at 19735 Germantown Road, Suite 255. Dr. Cheson is seeing patients at the Bethesda location.

Dr. Cheson earned his medical degree from Tufts University School of Medicine. He completed his residency in internal medicine at the University of Virginia Hospital and his clinical and research fellowship at New England Medical Center Hospital. He is Board certified in hematology and internal medicine.



Bruce Cheson, MD Medical Oncologist The Center for Cancer and Blood Disorders

The CCBD team now includes four medical oncologists providing the highest quality of care, with state-of-the-art technology, and the latest advances in clinical research and therapies. The practice regularly performs more than 300 clinical trials on new and developing diagnostic devices and techniques for cancer and diseases. Through its partnership with AON, the practice offers home delivery of oral oncolytic medications, patient education, and 24/7 pharmacy assistance.

"Dr. Cheson has more than 40 years' experience in academics focusing primarily on lymphoid malignancies, and we are excited to bring his level of expertise to our practice," said <u>Dr. Boccia</u> of The Center for Cancer and Blood Disorders.

AON President & Chief Development Officer Brad Prechtl, MBA said, "We are pleased to welcome Dr. Cheson to The Center for Cancer and Blood Disorders and the American Oncology Network. His extensive experience will help advance cancer and blood disorder treatments for our patients in the Bethesda area."

AON CEO Todd Schonherz added, "Dr. Cheson has an impressive background in protocol and drug development processes and will be an asset to CCBD patients, helping to get the most effective treatments while providing personalized care."

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About American Oncology Network, LLC: (AONcology com)

American Oncology Network, LLC (AON) is an alliance of physicians and seasoned healthcare leaders partnering to ensure the long-term success of community oncology. Launched in 2018, the rapidly growing AON network represents 102 physicians and 65 nurse practitioners and physician assistants practicing across 17 states. The executive management team of AON brings more than three decades of oncology practice management experience, enabling physicians to focus on what matters most – providing the highest quality care for patients.

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 will be at the very pinnacle of cancer care today.

About The Center for Cancer and Blood Disorders: (<u>CCBDMD.com</u>)

Specialists in the diagnosis and treatment of blood disorders and cancer, The Center for Cancer and Blood Disorders has been serving patients in the communities and surrounding areas of Bethesda and Germantown, Maryland for more than 25 years. Their individualized approach to patient care includes chemotherapy, targeted therapy, immunotherapy and when appropriate, cutting edge therapies on clinical trials. The practice regularly performs more than 300 clinical trials on new and developing diagnostic devices and techniques for cancer and diseases. Patients receive home delivery of oral cancer medications, in-house lab and pathology and on-site infusion therapy. The practice also offers comprehensive support with nutrition guidance and financial counseling.

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