

**Gifts of Hope** is located across from the Leone Conference Room. The shop offers items exclusively for cancer patients, such as mastectomy supplies, as well as cosmetics, jewelry and other everyday essentials for all shoppers. Gifts of Hope is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, please call the shop at 401-444-2600.

### *Second Floor*

Visits with your medical oncologist will take place on the second floor of the Comprehensive Cancer Center. Specially trained nurses administer **chemotherapy**, **blood transfusions** and **intravenous medications** to patients, in a private, comfortable setting.

Periodically during your therapy, you will need to have **blood work** done. Blood can be drawn in the labs on the first or second floor of the center. Your physician will indicate which tests are needed on the instruction sheet that you receive after each visit. It may also be helpful for you to ask the receptionist when you check in if your chart indicates whether or not you need a blood test prior to your visit or treatment. Some health insurance plans restrict where you may have your blood drawn. We will help you determine what your plan requires. It is also helpful if you bring the yellow instruction sheet from your previous visit with you.

The **American Cancer Society Resource Room** is also located on the second floor. Staffed by volunteers from the American Cancer Society, this room has a supply of reading materials and videos that will help you learn more about your illness and the community support that is available.

*Thank you for trusting us with your care. We are committed to offering you the compassionate, high quality care you deserve in a safe, friendly and respectful environment. If you have any concerns or suggestions for improvement, we hope you will let us know.*

## Scheduling and information

Medical Oncology/Hematology: 401-444-5435

Radiation Oncology: 401-444-8311



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Welcome to the Comprehensive Cancer Center at Rhode Island Hospital. We've created this pamphlet to help make your time here more comfortable.

The Comprehensive Cancer Center opened in February 2004 to offer complete care for patients who have been diagnosed with cancer or blood disorders. It is important to us that you have the support you need to manage this time in your life with confidence and comfort. Our team of experts will work with you and your family to make sure you get the best possible care. Physicians, nurses, pharmacists, social workers and dietitians are some of the people who comprise the multidisciplinary team that will provide your care.

#### CANCER CENTER HOURS

The Comprehensive Cancer Center is open Monday through Friday.

##### *Ground floor*

Radiation oncology: ..... 6:00 a.m. – 5 p.m.

##### *First floor*

Hematology visits/ Multidisciplinary clinics/ research: ..... 8:00 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Lab: ..... 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Gifts of Hope shop: ..... 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

##### *Second floor*

Medical oncology visits &

Patient treatment: ..... 7:30 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Lab: ..... 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

#### IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

In case of a medical emergency, please call 911.

Radiation Oncology, scheduling and information: 401-444-8311 between 6 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Medical Oncology/Hematology, scheduling and information: 401-444-5435 between 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.

If we are unable to answer your call immediately, you will be directed to voicemail. Messages are checked hourly during our regular business hours.

#### PARKING

- Parking Lot B is the most convenient place to park for patients of the Cancer Center. Lot B is located on Service Road across from the rear entrance of Women & Infants' Hospital. Designated parking spaces are available for patients with appointments in the Cancer Center. The spaces are located in the first row of Parking Lot B (spaces closest to the Ambulatory Patient Center circle). When parking in these spaces, patients must display their orange parking permit on the dashboard of their car. These permits are distributed at the radiation oncology receptionist desk and at the checkout desk on the first and second floor. Patients of the Comprehensive Cancer Center can purchase \$2 parking coupons at any center receptionist desk. Patients who have Medicaid health insurance or a handicapped-parking pass can park for free. Please show your Medicaid card to the parking attendant.
- Valet parking is available for a \$2 fee, to patients with appointments in the Comprehensive Cancer Center between the hours of 6:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

#### FINDING YOUR WAY AROUND THE CENTER

The entrance to the Comprehensive Cancer Center is located to the left of the main entrance of the Ambulatory Patient Center (APC). The center has three floors dedicated to the care of cancer and blood disorders.

When you enter the center, the elevator and staircase are located on the right side of the lobby; wheelchairs are available on the left side of the lobby. If you need assistance to get to your appointment, the check-in desk in the first floor lobby can arrange transportation or help for you.

##### *Ground Floor*

Radiation oncology is located on the ground floor. Here, physicians consult with patients and plan their course of treatment. **Radiation therapy** is delivered with the latest, state-of-the-art equipment, including Gamma Knife, and the Trilogy® Stereotactic System, the world's premier image-guided system capable of delivering all forms of external beam radiation. Rhode Island Hospital is the first in the state to offer this powerful and precise treatment method.

##### *First Floor*

The **Healing Garden**, adjacent to the center entrance is available for your use and pleasure. Enjoy walking through the garden or simply relaxing near the fountain while you wait for your appointment or treatment. This garden was made possible through the generosity of the Russell Boss family in memory of their daughter Alexis.

Visits with your hematologist will take place on the first floor. The Comprehensive Cancer Center's **clinical research office** is located on the first floor. The center is committed to making cutting-edge clinical trials available to our patients. Through research, more effective therapies are developed.

Also on the first floor is the **Leone Conference Room**, named in honor of Louis Leone, MD, the first board-certified oncologist in the state and a longtime member of the Rhode Island Hospital staff. The conference room's sophisticated media equipment allows specialists in all areas of cancer care to collaborate in treatment planning. During weekly meetings the team discusses the patient's illness in detail while viewing pertinent pathology slides and radiology films.