# SAINT PETER'S HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

Treating you better...for life.

# The Lung Institute Screening for Disease and Cancer

Lung cancer, the second most common cancer in men and women, is the leading cause of cancer death in the United States. The risk of developing lung cancer is highest in smokers – at least 80 percent of lung cancer deaths are caused by smoking - but many people who do not smoke also develop lung cancer.

Men who smoke are 23 times more likely to develop lung cancer. Women are 13 times more likely compared to those who have never smoked. Nonsmokers have a 20 to 30 percent greater chance of developing lung cancer if they are exposed to secondhand smoke at home or work.

At The Lung Institute at Saint Peter's University Hospital, a multidisciplinary team works together toward faster, more accurate detection, diagnosis, and treatment of lung cancer. The expert team of thoracic surgeons, medical and radiation oncologists, pulmonologists, radiologists, pathologists, and nurses who make up The Lung Institute's team provide patients timely access to high quality and comprehensive lung care.

# **Comprehensive Care in One Location**

Together, physicians evaluate each patient's case and individually meet with each patient to discuss treatment options, expediting treatment and care by combining office appointments and eliminating wait times. Patients are encouraged to be, and are involved in all decision making. "Though it requires a lot of commitment on the part of our care team, it is highly advantageous for patients and their families to see all our specialists at one time, in one place," says Sameer Desai, MD, a medical oncologist with the Center for Hematology and Oncology in Somerset and a member of the Lung Institute team.

# **Lung Cancer Detection**

The early detection of lung disease and lung cancer is directly related to better patient outcomes. The Lung Institute offers a low-dose computed tomography (CT) lung screening, a quick and painless scan of the DESIGNATED

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chest designed to detect lung disease at its earliest stages. The lung cancer screening program has been accredited M by the American Col-N lege of Radiology and 5 the Lung Institute has been designated as a lung cancer screening center of excellence by the Lung Cancer Alliance.



# **Lung Nodules**

Low-dose CT lung screenings and other CT scans of the chest sometimes show changes in the lungs that are not always cancer but instead lung nodules. The size and composition of the nodule can help doctors determine if a nodule is troublesome. Larger nodules that grow over time have a greater risk of turning into cancer, especially if a nodule is more than 8 mm.

The multidisciplinary team of physicians discusses individual risks, nodule size, shape, and potential next steps for those who may have an identified lung nodule. "For patients who are at risk for developing lung cancer, or for those who may be dealing with a lung cancer diagnosis, having an individualized care plan at the right time is critically important," says Edward Fein, MD, a pulmonologist with Saint Peter's Physician Associates who sees patients at The Lung Institute.

# **Lung Cancer Treatment**

Lung cancer diagnosis has become more refined. New knowledge concerning the biology of lung cancer cells has provided clinicians the opportunity to develop chemotherapy agents, clinical trials, and novel approaches to treating lung tumors. The cancer program at Saint Peter's is accredited by the Commission on Cancer of the American College of Surgeons (COC) and recognized for its expert care and its role as a teaching hospital. In addition to chemotherapy, Saint Peter's uses the latest cutting edge treatment options such as immunotherapy and other individualized targeted therapies to optimize treatment for patients who have lung cancer.

The Lung Institute offers physician expertise, cutting-edge technology, and new techniques in the areas of:

- CyberKnife® Radiosurgery robotic treatment system that utilizes external beam radiation to pinpoint tumors with millimeter accuracy. CyberKnife® is an excellent treatment option for patients with early stage lung cancer, recurrent or metastatic lung disease.
- Video-Assisted Thoracic Surgery (VATS) minimally invasive surgical procedure used to access the lungs through the chest cavity to treat lung cancer. VATS has many benefits over traditional surgery including shorter recovery time, less pain and better quality of life post-surgery.
- Research Saint Peter's partners with local and national organizations to bring patients the latest information in lung cancer research as well as access to current clinical trials.

# **Ongoing Support**

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The Lung Institute provides ongoing support for patients. A patient navigator assists and guides patients through every step of the care process including scheduling convenient, coordinated appointments, as well as any follow-up recommendations that the physician team may have.

Supportive care services are also available to help those that may need additional resources such as nutrition counseling, patient education, and support groups. "We believe that the multidisciplinary Lung Institute facilitates the highest level of care for patients at all stages of the prevention, detection, diagnosis, and treatment of lung cancer. It is truly a patientcentered approach," says Dr. Desai.

For more information about the Saint Peter's Lung Institute, please call 732.745.6693.

# **Special Events**

# **EMS Education Series Thursday, November 29** 7:00 PM

### **Acute Stroke**

Call 732.745.8600, x6671 to register. FREE Parking, FREE CEUs, FREE Light Dinner.

## **National Sisters Together Move More, Eat Better Program**

# **DIABETES SCREENING FOLLOWED BY LECTURE**

**Thursday, November 1** 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Sister Marie de Pazzi **Conference Center** 

# **Bariatric Support** and Seminar

**November 8** Sister Marie de Pazzi **Conference Center** 

Call Melissa Laffey, RDN to register: 732.745.8600 x8159

# **Great American Smokeout**

**November 15** 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM **Saint Peter's University** 

**Hospital lobby** Representatives from Saint Peter's, **Wellspring Center for Prevention, American Cancer Society and Family Health Initiatives** 

(NJ Quit Line) will provide smoking cessation program and health education information.

# **National Diabetes Awareness Month**

**November 28 Blood Sugar Screenings** 

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM **Saint Peter's Family Health Center How Lane, New Brunswick** 

12:30 PM - 2:30 PM Sister Marie de Pazzi **Conference Center** 

Call 732.745.8600, x8903 for more information.

Magic 98.3 and The Children's Hospital at **Saint Peter's University Hospital Present** 

# **Kids who Make Magic**

Final days to nominate a child. If you know a child ages 8 to 16 who deserves recognition, visit magic983.com.



# November 27

Please join the thousands who support the Saint Peter's Foundation by making a donation today. saintpetershcs.com/ **Donate/Giving-Tuesday** 

# **Community Calendar**

For more information or to register for a program, call the contact number listed or visit saintpetershcs.com/Events Most programs are FREE unless noted; please call for information.

# Cancer Support **Bone Marrow Transplant Support Group**

For patients who have had an allogeneic

In person: November 15 • 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey

By phone: November 6 • 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Call 732.235.8522 to register. • FREE

# **Breast Cancer** Support Group

November 5 and 19 • 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Registration required. Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey Deborah Leif, MSW, LCSW 732.235.7011 • FREE

# **Gynecologic Cancer Support Group**

November 13 • 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey 732.235.6792 • FREE

# **Latinos with Cancer Support Group**

November 10 • 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Sister Marie de Pazzi Conference Center Light lunch will be served. Free, but registration requested. Sessions conducted in Spanish. Call 908.658.5400 for more information. • FREE

### **Life after Cancer Support Group**

November 8 • 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey Call 732.235.6792 to register • FREE

### **Living with Cancer Support Group**

November 14 and 28 • 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey Barbara Hale, LCSW • 732.235.7557 • FREE

# **Support Groups Craniofacial Teen Girls**

For ages 11 to 17 • Meets Sundays, monthly. Call 732.745.8600, x 8113 for information.

# **MyGOAL Autism Family Support Group**

November 11 • 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM 877.886.9462 • FREE

# **SHARE Support Group**

(for those who have suffered miscarriage, stillbirth or neonatal death) November 15 • 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

First-floor employee cafeteria conference room. Irina Mariano-Brown, MSW, LCSW 732.745.8522 • FREE

# **Spouse/Partner Caregiver Support Group**

November 1 • 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM Parker Adult Day Center, Monroe 200 Overlook Drive, Monroe Township Stephanie Fitzsimmons, EdD, MSN, RN, APRN-BC • 732.745.8600, x8662 • FREE

We invite those who have lost a loved one to a substance abuse addiction to a new

# SUPPORT GROUP

**Every third Thursday of the month** 7:00 PW - 8:30 PW

Saint Peter's Sports Medicine **Institute Conference Room** 562 Easton Avenue • Somerset, NJ

No fee. On-site parking. Questions/Additional Information: Care Coordination Department, 732.745.8522 or jdanyus@saintpetersuh.com

# Community Health Services

For more information about screenings and educational programs, or the chs corporate flu shot program, please call 732.745.8600, x8903

### **Blood Pressure/ Blood Sugar Screenings**

November 5 • 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM Montgomery Senior Center, Montgomery Members only. • FREE

November 7 • 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM South River Food Bank, South River • FREE

November 9 • 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM New Brunswick Senior Center • Members only.

November 9 • 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM Elijah's Promise Soup Kitchen, New Brunswick • FREE

# **Blood Pressure/ Blood Sugar/Cholesterol**

November 27 • 10:15 AM - NOON Quailbrook Senior Center, Franklin Members only • FREE

# **Blood Sugar Screenings**

November 7 • 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM DeForest B. Soaries Residences at Somerset, Franklin • Residents only.

# **Bone Density Screening**

November 14 • 9:00 AM - NOON Ethicon, Bridgewater. Employees only.

### **Community Lectures Healthy Eating for the Holidays**

November 20 • 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Piscataway Senior Center. Members only. FREE

### **Heart Health Lecture**

November 13 • 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM AARP Meeting • Civic Center Firehouse East Brunswick • Members only. • FREE

### **Health Fairs**

November 15 • 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Canal Walk, Somerset • Residents only.

# **Saint Peter's** Opioid Task Force

A repeat of the spring education program in response to community demand.

# **Road to Recovery** Wednesday, November 7

6:00 PM registration and refreshments; program begins at 6:30 PM Sister Marie de Pazzi

**Conference Center RSVP to Marcia Linico at** mlinico@saintpetersuh.com or call 888.682.8636

# **Diabetes Education\***

## **Diabetes Self-Management Education**

**Mondays or Tuesdays** Registration and doctor's prescription required. 732.339.7630

# **Gestational Diabetes** Self-Management Education

Wednesdays or Thursdays Registration and a doctor's prescription required. **732.339.7630** 

# **Bilingual Diabetes Support Group**

The Diabetes and Hypertension Center at Saint Peter's University Hospital's Family Health Center • 123 How Lane, New Brunswick Call 732.339.7672 for more information. • FREE

**Every Tuesday in November** NOON - 1:30 PM

# Type I Diabetes **Support Group for Children** and their Families

November 18 • 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM Center for Ambulatory Resources (CARES) across from The Children's Hospital Call **732.745.8600**, **x8610** for more information

# **SAVE THE DATE Diabetes Support Group**

December 12 • 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM Saint Peter's University Hospital Center for Ambulatory Resources (CARES)

Call 732.339.7630

# **Parent Education**

For information, fees and registration, visit saintpetershcs.com/parented or call Parent Education at 732.745.8579.

# **Baby Care**

November 5 and 12 • 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM November 24 • 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

# **Breastfeeding Class**

November 10 • 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM

# **Breastfeeding Support Group** November 2 • 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

### **Grandparent Class** November 1 • 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

**New Mom Support Group** November 2 • NOON - 1:00 PM Refreshments are served.

# **Prenatal Yoga and Exercise Class** (four-week sessions)

**Wednesdays and Fridays** 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Registration required.

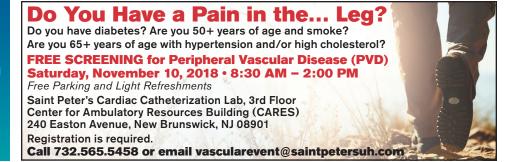
# **Prepared Childbirth/Lamaze**

**Classes** (Includes maternity services tour) Thursday evening series (4 consecutive) 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM

Saturday and Sunday (single day) 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

# Sibling Class

November 10 • 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM



Need a doctor? To find a Saint Peter's physician, call 1.855.SP.MY.DOC (1.855.776.9362).

Also available, online scheduling with select Saint Peter's Healthcare System physicians via Zocdoc at BookMySPDoc.com This calendar is for information only. Do not rely on it to make healthcare decisions on your own; instead, talk with your healthcare provider for advice and treatment. Do not ignore medical advice or delay seeking it because of something you read here. We do not suggest or endorse that you have any tests, use products, or use other information in this document without advice from your healthcare provider.



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