

## **Tulane Cancer Center To Offer Liver Cancer Workshop**

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Tulane Cancer Center will host a one-hour workshop entitled "Frankly Speaking About Liver Cancer" at 2 p.m. on Friday, March 18, at the Tulane Cancer Center Comprehensive Clinic, 150 S. Liberty St. in downtown New Orleans.

The workshop, which is free and open to the public, will help liver cancer patients and their families learn more about the disease and what to expect during and after cancer treatment. The seminar is geared toward patients whose primary cancer is in the liver, as well as those whose cancer has spread to the liver from some other primary cancer site.

Tulane oncologist Dr. Marcelo Blaya will discuss liver cancer diagnosis, symptoms, treatment strategies and side-effect management, and Sean Ransom, director of Tulane Cancer Center's Patricia Trost Friedler Center for Psychosocial Oncology, will talk about life beyond treatment and skills for coping with the stress of cancer.

The American Cancer Society estimates that 24,120 new cases of primary liver and bile duct cancer were diagnosed in the United States in 2010, and nearly 19,000 Americans died from the disease. Liver cancer is more common in men than in women. An average man's lifetime risk of getting liver or bile duct cancer is about 1 in 100, while an average woman's risk is about 1 in 217.

Funding for the workshop is provided through a charitable gift from the Cancer Support Community. Validated parking is available in the Saratoga Parking Garage, located at the corner of Cleveland and S. Saratoga streets in downtown New Orleans. The Tulane Cancer Center Comprehensive Clinic is located on the first floor of the garage. Refreshments will be provided. To register to attend the workshop or for more information, please contact the Tulane Call Center at 504-988-5800 or 1-800-588-5800.