Dear Friends and Guests:

On behalf of my conference co-directors and teams at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Johns Hopkins Sibley Memorial Hospital and Greater Baltimore Medical Center (GBMC), I would like to warmly welcome you to our 2015 Gynecologic Cancer Survivorship Conference! We are thrilled that you have chosen to spend the day with us and hope you enjoy the many conference offerings today.

Did you know that every 6 minutes, a woman is diagnosed with a gynecologic cancer in the United States? Nationwide, almost 100,000 women a year develop cancers of the ovary, uterus, endometrium, cervix, vulva or vagina. As you may also know, September is Gynecologic Cancer Awareness Month. During this time, especially, it is critical that we continue to draw attention to these statistics and to the importance of education/cancer awareness in our communities and the impact of the latest research and clinical advances in women’s cancer care.

The focus of our conference is on empowering survivors of gynecologic cancer to live the fullest, most meaningful lives possible. From understanding the latest surgical innovations and novel treatment strategies for ovarian and endometrial cancer, to opportunities for enhancing quality of life, reducing stress, and improving overall health, our conference offers diverse opportunities for learning and interaction with survivors and health care providers. We have assembled a stellar faculty line up of nationally and internationally recognized cancer, quality of life and wellness experts who will share the latest updates in their respective fields. We hope you enjoy the midday Wellness Program, offering sessions in stress reduction and reflection led by compassionate and skilled experts, and an afternoon breakout session for health care providers providing an opportunity to learn best practices in gynecologic cancer care.

Throughout the day, there will be opportunity to visit the many exhibitors outside of the ballroom and to peruse the gorgeous gift baskets available in our charity raffle. The raffle benefits local gynecologic cancer survivors and education and awareness campaigns at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Sibley Memorial Hospital and GBMC and provides critical support of research in ovarian and uterine cancer screening and treatment at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

Lastly, I must thank the three institutions and individuals involved in supporting this event. The health care providers, administrators and volunteers from Johns Hopkins Hospital, Johns Hopkins Sibley Memorial Hospital and GBMC are all deeply committed to supporting survivors of gynecologic cancer. These institutions provide among the finest gynecologic cancer care in the region and the nation and I am so proud that we are partnering together in our mission to educate and empower cancer survivors in our community. I cannot thank enough our conference planner, Stacey Galbraith - Infinite Strategic Solutions, my conference co-directors Antoinette Solnik, Bonnie Hudak, Paul Celano and Jeff Lin, and our many volunteers and sponsors for their time, dedication, support and expertise.

We hope you enjoy the day and leave our conference filled with greater knowledge and hope!

Warmest regards,

Amanda N. Fader
Amanda Nickles Fader, MD
Conference Director
Agenda

Saturday, September 19th

Continental Breakfast - Harborside Ballroom Foyer 7:15 am

TAKE 5 - Reflection and Relaxation Room - James Room
Available for your use anytime between 7:15 am - 4:00 pm

Joint Session—Quality of Life and Survivorship - Harborside Ballroom
Moderators: Amanda N. Fader, MD and Jeffrey Y. Lin, MD

8:00 am Welcome and Introductions
Amanda N. Fader, MD - The Johns Hopkins Hospital
Jeffrey Y. Lin, MD - Sibley Memorial Hospital

8:10 am Sexuality and Intimacy after Cancer
Don S. Dizon, MD, FACP - Massachusetts General Hospital

8:35 am Understanding Cancer Survivorship
Cynae Johnson, OCN, CRNP - The Johns Hopkins Hospital

9:00 am Nutrition and Lifestyle Modifications after a Cancer Diagnosis
Lawrence J. Cheskin, MD, FACP - The Johns Hopkins Hospital

9:25 am Coffee Break - Harborside Ballroom Foyer

9:40 am The Unsung Hero In Healthcare: The Family Caregiver
Amy Brown, RN, MA, OCN - The Johns Hopkins Hospital

10:05 am Neuropathy and Fatigue: Long-term Effects of Chemotherapy
Thomas J. Smith, MD, FACP, FASCO, FAAHPM - The Johns Hopkins Hospital

10:30 am Financial Planning for Cancer Survivors and Their Families
Louis Yeager, Executive Director / Financial Planner - Catastrophic Health Planners

11:00 am Faculty Panel Discussion

11:25 am Lunch with the Professors and Survivorship Panel
Moderators: Bonnie Talbot Hudak, Survivor and Antoinette Solnik, RN, BSN - Sibley Memorial Hospital
Panelists: Susan Albans, Jennifer Bayne, Rozzie Brilliant, Susan Burgert, Sally Guy, Felicity Kirby, RN, BCN, OCN, and Candace Olds
Wellness Sessions
12:30 pm - 2:00 pm
(See schedule at the Wellness Session Registration desk for your appointment time)

- **Life Force Yoga** - *Heron Room*
  Facilitator: Laurie Thorner, MSW, LCSW-C (Group session)

- **Mindfulness Awareness Meditation** - *Essex C Room*
  Facilitator: Amy Bloom Connolly, MS (Group session)

- **Qigong** - *Galena Room*
  Facilitator: Mindie Flamholz, MEd (Group session)

- **Reiki** - *Falkland Room*
  Practitioners: Nancy Andrews, Pat Hanks, Carol Libonati, Kris Mammen, Kathy Pulia, Gail Zephyr
  (One to one session)

- **Massage** - *Falkland Room*
  Practitioners: Dawn Blais, Fran Flannery and Susan Miller
  (One to one session)

- **TAKE 5 Reflection Room** - *James Room*

- **Time on Your Own** - *Walk along the Harbor*

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Ovarian Cancer Breakout Session - *Harborside Ballroom*
Moderator: Paul Celano, MD, FACP

- **2:00 pm**
  What's New in Ovarian and Fallopian Tube Cancer Research
  Deborah Armstrong, MD - The Johns Hopkins Hospital

- **2:25 pm**
  Breast and Ovarian Cancer: High Risk Families and Who Should Consider Genetic Testing
  Reem Saadeh-Haddad, MD - Sibley Memorial Hospital

- **2:55 pm**
  Updates in Treatment for Recurrent Ovarian Cancer
  Paul Celano, MD, FACP - Greater Baltimore Medical Center

- **3:20 pm**
  Patient Story
  Ilana Feuchter

- **3:35 pm**
  Faculty Panel Discussion

- **4:00 pm**
  Closing Remarks and Final Gift Basket Giveaway
  Amanda N. Fader, MD - The Johns Hopkins Hospital
Uterine Cancer Breakout Session - Essex Room
Moderator: Mildred R. Chernofsky, MD
2:00 pm  Risk Factors for Uterine Cancer: The Role of Obesity and Family History
Mildred R. Chernofsky, MD - Sibley Memorial Hospital
2:25 pm  Patient Interest Story: How I Lost and Kept Off My Weight
Amber Napolitano
2:35 pm  Updates on Treatments for Advanced/Recurrent Uterine Cancer
Jeffrey Y. Lin, MD - Sibley Memorial Hospital
3:00 pm  Exciting Developments in Uterine Cancer Research
Amanda N. Fader, MD - The Johns Hopkins Hospital
3:15 pm  Radiation: Managing the Side Effects
Geoff Neuner, MD - Greater Baltimore Medical Center
3:40 pm  Faculty Panel Discussion
4:00 pm  Closing Remarks and Final Gift Basket Giveaway
Amanda N. Fader, MD - The Johns Hopkins Hospital

Health Care Provider Breakout Session - Kent Room
Moderator: Sarah Temkin, MD
12:30 pm  Updates in Cervical Cancer Screening: What’s New with HPV Testing
Sarah Temkin, MD - The Johns Hopkins Hospital
12:55 pm  Management of the Complex Adnexal Mass
Kimberly Levinson, MD - The Johns Hopkins Hospital
1:25 pm  Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer: When Should I Refer My Patient for Genetic Counseling?
Christy Haakonsen, ScM, CGC - Greater Baltimore Medical Center
1:50 pm  Breast Cancer Screening and Surgical Treatment Options
Sara P. Fogarty, DO - Greater Baltimore Medical Center
2:15 pm  Coffee Break - Harborside Ballroom Foyer
2:30 pm  Gynecologic Cancer Care Navigation
Antoinette Solnik, RN, BSN - Sibley Memorial Hospital
2:55 pm  Updates in Uterine Cancer Care: Surgical Advances
Edward Tanner, MD - The Johns Hopkins Hospital
3:20 pm  What’s New in Ovarian and Fallopian Tube Cancer Research and Treatment
Rebecca Stone, MD MS - The Johns Hopkins Hospital
3:45 pm  Faculty Panel Discussion
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Amanda N. Fader, MD - The Johns Hopkins Hospital
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**Amanda Nickles Fader, MD**

Director of the Kelly Gynecologic Oncology Service - Johns Hopkins Medicine, Baltimore, MD

Associate Professor of Gynecologic Oncology

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Amanda Nickles Fader, MD is Director of the Kelly Gynecologic Oncology Service and Director of F. J. Montz Fellowship in Gynecologic Oncology at Johns Hopkins Hospital. She has extensive training in radical oncology surgery and advanced laparoscopy and robotics and is board certified in Obstetrics and Gynecology and Gynecologic Oncology.

Dr. Fader is internationally recognized as one of the leading experts in laparoendoscopic single-site surgery (LESS) and microlaparoscopy, as well as rare gynecologic cancers. She has particular expertise with the surgical and medical management of endometrial, ovarian and cervical cancers, as well as treatment of women who are at high risk for a gynecologic malignancy. Dr. Fader has a special interest in caring for patients throughout the entire spectrum of oncologic care: from preventive oncology - minimizing key risk factors that can lead to gynecologic cancers - to survivorship initiatives addressing all aspects of recovery, including emotional well-being and clinical follow-up. Her research centers on minimally invasive surgical innovations in gynecologic oncology, clinical trials and innovative targeted biologic therapies, rare uterine and ovarian cancers, and the role of obesity in carcinogenesis.

**Conference Co-Directors**

**Paul Celano, MD, FACP**

Division Head, Medical Oncology – GBMC

Paul Celano, MD, FACP is the President of the Maryland/DC Society of Clinical Oncology. He serves on the executive subcommittee of the State Affiliate Council. He is on the editorial board of the Journal of Oncology Practice. He is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and received his MD from the Mount Sinai School of Medicine. He completed his training in Internal Medicine at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital and his Medical Oncology fellowship at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. He was a full-time faculty member at Johns Hopkins for 9 years. He continues to have part time faculty appointments at Johns Hopkins as Assistant Professor of Oncology, Gynecology and Obstetrics. He is Chief, Division of Medical Oncology at the Greater Baltimore Medical Center where leads the oncology research program. He is also the Co-Director of the Johns Hopkins Clinical Research Network at GBMC.

**Bonnie Hudak, MEd**

Cancer Survivor – Johns Hopkins Medicine, Baltimore, MD

Kelly Gynecologic Oncology Service

Bonita Hudak, MEd has dedicated her life to education, volunteer-ism and family. She received her Bachelor’s degree in Early Childhood form Towson University, her Masters in Education from Loyola College and is trained as a Certified Neurodevelopmental Teacher Trained Therapist from Georgetown University. She was a former instructor at UMCP in Early Childhood Special Education and currently works as a Parent Educator for the Recovery Network and is a Volunteer Director at the Grassroots Shelter in Howard County, MD, where she has helped hundreds of women and children in need. She is a recipient of the prestigious Howard County Women of the Year Award and the Halo and Spirit Award from Grassroots Shelter.

In 2011, Bonnie was diagnosed with endometrial cancer. After receiving treatment for this cancer, she decided that the best way for to heal was to help others. She has directed numerous fund raisers in the DC, Baltimore regions to raise awareness for Gynecologic Cancer. She was honored in 2013 by GBMC hospital for the Making a Difference Award. In 2014, she assisted with a survivorship conference held by JHH and the Kelly Gynecologic Oncology in partnership with the Foundation for Women’s Cancer. At that conference, she spoke on a panel to discuss her journey as a cancer survivor. Bonnie is committed to making a difference in the lives of other gynecologic cancer patients and volunteers often at the Johns Hopkins Hospital and in the community to raise awareness and help local cancer survivors in need.
Jeffrey Y. Lin, MD
Director – Sibley Center for Gynecologic Oncology & Advanced Pelvic Surgery

Jeffrey Y. Lin, MD is a leader in developing surgical options for women with advanced and locally recurrent gynecological cancer. He is board certified in OB/GYN and Gynecologic Oncology, an innovator in the field of robotic surgery, the author of numerous articles in peer-reviewed journals related to endometrial, vulvar and ovarian cancer and an invited speaker at national and international conferences.

He is a professor at the George Washington University School of Medicine. A graduate of the Albany Medical College, Dr. Lin completed his OB/GYN residency at GW and fellowships at Penn Hospital and Strong Memorial Hospital.

Antoinette Solnik, RN, BSN
Cancer Nurse Navigator/Gynecology Oncology and Urology - Sibley Memorial Hospital, Washington, DC

Antoinette Solnik, RN, BSN, is a Cancer Nurse Navigator for Gynecologic Oncology at Sibley’s Center for Advanced Gynecologic Surgery as well as a Cancer Nurse Navigator in Urology with the Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center.

The very heart of nurse navigation is personalized care. Ms. Solnik works as an extension of Sibley physicians caring for gynecology oncology and urologic oncology patients to provide additional support for extensive treatment plans. She acts as the coordinator, educator and advocate from the time these patients are diagnosed through their surgery and future treatments such as chemotherapy or radiation. Often times her clinical expertise and training provides important guidance to patients and their caregivers so that they may make informed decisions on proceeding with next steps in their care or end of life issues. Collaborating with the Johns Hopkins multidisciplinary team, she is able to allow for timely cancer screening, diagnosis, treatment, and increased supportive care across the cancer continuum.

Ms. Solnik is received her Bachelor of Science degree from Georgetown University and Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Washington. She is a member of the Academy of Oncology Nurse Navigators.

Johns Hopkins Medicine

Deborah Armstrong, MD
Director, Breast and Ovarian Surveillance Service
Professor of Oncology – Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center
Professor, Gynecology and Obstetrics

Deborah Armstrong, MD is an internationally recognized expert in ovarian cancer. She works primarily in the area of women’s malignancies, with a particular emphasis on breast cancer, ovarian cancer and other gynecologic malignancies, and the genetics of breast and ovarian cancer. Dr. Armstrong’s clinical focus is on the development of new therapeutic approaches to the treatment of breast cancer and gynecologic malignancies. Particular areas of interest are targeted biologic therapy, intra-peritoneal therapy, and immunologic approaches to cancer treatment. Dr. Armstrong also directs the Johns Hopkins Breast and Ovarian Cancer Screening Service, a genetic counseling service that focuses on identifying patients at risk for cancer and examination of new strategies for cancer screening and prevention.

Dr. Armstrong has lectured locally, nationally and internationally. She is active in the Gynecologic Oncology Group, serving on the Medical Oncology, Developmental Therapeutics and Phase I GOG committees and as chair of several clinical trials through this group. She is a representative of the Southwest Oncology Group to the Gynecologic Cancer Steering Committee of the National Cancer Institute. Dr. Armstrong also serves as a representative of Johns Hopkins to the National Cooperative Cancer Network serving on the ovarian cancer and breast cancer risk reduction panels. She has participated as a member of the Cancer Working Group for the Office of Research on Women’s Health for the National Institutes of Health, as a scientific reviewer for the breast and ovarian cancer research programs of the Department of Defense and the National Cancer Institute, as a reviewer for the NCI Special Emphasis Panel for Insight Awards to Stamp Out Breast Cancer and as a member of the NCI SPORE Program parent committee.
Amy Brown, RN, MA, OCN
Johns Hopkins Medicine, Baltimore, MD

Amy Brown, RN, MA, OCN is the assistant nurse manager on Weinberg 4B, the inpatient GYN/GYN-Oncology unit at The Johns Hopkins Hospital. Her nursing career spans 23 years and has taken her to academic teaching centers, rural hospitals, the third world, and even a summer camp, but she found her niche in gynecology-oncology at JHH in 2005. Amy is the president of the Society of Gynecologic Nurse Oncologists (SGNO) and has given conference presentations about bedside conversations with patients, the nurse-patient experience, and the family caregiver.

Lawrence J. Cheskin, MD, FACP, FTOS
Associate Professor, Health, Behavior & Society – Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health
Joint Appointments in Medicine (GI); International Health (Human Nutrition), and Public Health Studies
Associate Director – Global Obesity Prevention Center at Johns Hopkins Medicine

Lawrence J. Cheskin, MD, FACP, FTOS is Associate Professor, Health, Behavior & Society at Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, with appointments in Medicine (GI); International Health (Human Nutrition), and Public Health Studies. He directs the Johns Hopkins Weight Management Center, a multidisciplinary clinical research and treatment program that he founded in 1990. He is also Associate Director of the Global Obesity Prevention Center at Johns Hopkins, and directs its Pilot Studies Core, which evaluates timely, systems-focused proposals worldwide to study such areas as school policies and the built environment’s effect on factors relevant to preventing childhood obesity.

Dr. Cheskin’s career has been dedicated to research, education, and program building in the service of combating obesity, through both treatment and prevention. His work is at the intersection of public health and clinical medicine: it applies knowledge gained through rigorous clinical investigation, for example through the multi-center Look AHEAD trial he has played a key role in since its inception, to the community and beyond. His work has impacted the problem of obesity through innovative treatment paradigms disseminated through practice (as modeled by the Johns Hopkins Weight Management Center); through application of new treatment paradigms in community-based participatory research, particularly among the underserved in Baltimore, Maryland; and through teaching and mentoring of the next generation of public health and clinical scholars dedicated to obesity.

Most recently, he is studying obesity progression, costs, and treatment using Markov micro-simulation modeling; using mHealth as a tool to enhance obesity treatment; and, through a rigorous multi-modal clinical trial, testing the hypothesis that obesity is treatable, and weight control can be sustained in a vulnerable urban minority population when a comprehensive approach is offered which partners with resources in the community.

He has over 140 peer-reviewed journal publications, and has written 6 books.

Cynae Johnson, OCN, CRNP
Director of Gynecologic Cancer Survivorship Center, Kelly Gynecologic Oncology Service
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Cynae Johnson, MSN, CRNP is a nurse practitioner and director of the Survivorship Care Program at the Kelly Gynecologic Oncology Service with the Johns Hopkins Hospital. Cynae has a passion for providing care to cancer survivors and her primary interests include: the psychosocial effects of cancer, survivorship, and quality of life. She received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from Texas Christian University and a Master of Science in Nursing degree from the University of Texas Health Science Center-Houston as a Women’s Health Nurse Practitioner. She is currently pursuing a doctorate in nursing at the Johns Hopkins School of Nursing with an emphasis in oncology. She has over 8 years in gynecologic oncology nursing experience and holds a certification in oncology nursing. She has been instrumental in advocating for the advancement of women’s cancer care and helped to launch the first gynecologic survivorship care program at Johns Hopkins.
Kimberly Lynn Levinson, MD, MPH
Assistant Professor of Gynecologic Oncology – Johns Hopkins Medicine, Baltimore, MD
Associate Staff - Greater Baltimore Medical Center

Kim Levinson, MD is a graduate of Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, where she completed her residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology. She recently completed a fellowship in Gynecologic Oncology at The Cleveland Clinic in Ohio. Dr. Levinson also holds a Masters of Public Health from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health.

She has been on faculty at Johns Hopkins Hospital for one year and works at both Hopkins and Greater Baltimore Medical Center. She is an expert minimally invasive and radical oncology surgeon, specializing in the treatment of uterine, ovarian and cervical cancer. Her research interests are in HPV and cervical cancer as well as disparities in cervical cancer care. She recently joined the Johns Hopkins Cervical Cancer SPORE program, a National Cancer Institute research initiative in innovative therapies for cervical cancer.

Thomas J. Smith, MD, FACP, FASCO, FAAHPM
Director of Palliative Medicine, Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions
Professor of Oncology, Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center
The Harry J. Duffey Family Professor of Palliative Medicine

Thomas Smith, MD, is recognized as one of the foremost leaders in palliative care worldwide. Before joining Johns Hopkins as the Director of Palliative Medicine for Johns Hopkins Medicine and the Hopkins’ Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center, Smith served as the Medical Director of the Thomas Palliative Care Program and the co-director of the Massey Cancer Center Cancer Control and Prevention Program at the Virginia Commonwealth University. The goal of palliative care is to provide physical, emotional and spiritual support for seriously ill individuals and their families, to enhance quality of life and minimize suffering. Smith, who is board certified in oncology palliative and hospice medicine, focuses on neuropathic pain, care at the end of life and cost issues in his research.

Rebecca Lynn Stone, MD MS
Assistant Professor of Gynecologic Oncology – Johns Hopkins Medicine, Baltimore, MD

Rebecca Stone, MD is an Assistant Professor in the Johns Hopkins Medicine Department of Gynecology and Obstetrics. Her area of clinical expertise is gynecologic cancers, including cervical, uterine, vulvar and ovarian cancer, as well as gestational trophoblastic disease. Dr. Stone is a highly skilled surgeon with expertise in laparoscopic and robotic surgery for gynecologic tumors.

Dr. Stone received her undergraduate degree in biology from the University of Virginia. She earned her MD from the University of Virginia School of Medicine in Charlottesville, VA, where she subsequently completed her residency in obstetrics and gynecology. Dr. Stone performed a four-year gynecologic oncology fellowship at the University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center. Dr. Stone also earned a master of science in cancer biology from the University of Texas in 2010. Prior to joining Johns Hopkins, Dr. Stone was an assistant professor at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, where she was one of five gynecologic oncologists serving the entire state of Arkansas.

Dr. Stone is internationally recognized for her research pertaining to early diagnosis and treatment of ovarian cancer. She is widely published in the field of gynecologic oncology, with first author papers in the New England Journal of Medicine and Lancet Oncology, as well as over 30 co-authored manuscripts. She was honored with an award for one of the most influential papers published in the field of obstetrics and gynecology in 2012. Dr. Stone strongly believes in a multidisciplinary team approach to gynecologic cancer care. She seeks to provide women with the most advanced and personalized treatment plans while best preserving quality of life. She enjoys working with community providers so that patients are comforted by receiving care close to home.
Edward James Tanner, III, MD
Associate Director, F. J. Montz Fellowship in Gynecologic Oncology
Assistant Professor of Gynecologic Oncology – Johns Hopkins Medicine, Baltimore, MD

Edward Tanner, MD, is an assistant professor of gynecologic oncology at the Johns Hopkins Hospital and Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center.

His clinical interests include the surgical management of advanced gynecologic cancers as well as minimally invasive surgery for early-stage disease. As the Director of Robotic Gynecologic Surgery at Johns Hopkins Hospital, he has a particular focus on developing innovative techniques for robotic surgery in patients with uterine and cervical cancers. His research interests include sentinel lymph node mapping in endometrial cancer and exploring ways to reduce complications in patients undergoing surgery for advanced ovarian cancer.

A native of Baltimore, Dr. Tanner received his medical degree from the University of Alabama at Birmingham before returning to Baltimore to complete his residency in gynecology and obstetrics at the Johns Hopkins Hospital. He completed a fellowship in gynecologic oncology at the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center where he was one of the first fellows to complete an extensive training program in robotic surgery for gynecologic cancers.

Sarah Madhu Temkin, MD
Adjunct Associate Professor Gynecologic Oncology – Johns Hopkins Medicine, Baltimore, MD

Sarah Temkin, MD is an Associate Professor in the Johns Hopkins Medicine Department of Gynecology and Obstetrics. She is board certified in Obstetrics and Gynecology and Gynecologic Oncology. Her areas of clinical expertise include treatment for ovarian, uterine, cervical, vaginal and vulvar cancers.

Dr. Temkin received her undergraduate degree in psychology from Cornell University. She then went on to earn her master’s degree in physiology and biophysics from Georgetown University, followed by her MD from Georgetown University Medical School. Dr. Temkin completed her residency at Mount Sinai Medical Center and performed a fellowship in gynecologic oncology at SUNY Downstate Medical Center in Brooklyn, NY. Dr. Temkin joined the Johns Hopkins faculty in 2014.

Prior to joining Johns Hopkins, Dr. Temkin was associate professor at the University of Maryland School of Medicine. Dr. Temkin’s research interests include chemotherapy, radical surgery, laparoscopic and robotic surgery for gynecologic malignancies. Dr. Temkin serves as an ad hoc reviewer for several journals, including Cancer, Gynecologic Oncology and International Journal of Gynecologic Cancer. Dr. Temkin is a fellow of the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and a member of the Society of Gynecologic Oncologists and the American Society of Clinical Oncology.

Sibley Memorial Hospital

Mildred R. Chernofsky, MD
Gynecologic Oncologist – Sibley Center for Gynecologic Oncology & Advanced Pelvic Surgery
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Board certified in Gynecologic Oncology and OB/GYN, Dr. Mildred R. Chernofsky has a special interest in ovarian cancer, cytoreduction, endometrial cancer surgery, pre-invasive and invasive disease of the vulva, vagina and cervix, gestational trophoblastic disease and advanced laparoscopic and robotic surgery.

Dr. Chernofsky is a graduate of the Pennsylvania State University College of Medicine, Milton S. Hershey Medical Center. She completed her residency in OB/GYN at San Diego Naval Medical Center and fellowship in gyn/onc at Univ of Southern California. She had a successful career in the US Navy and is the principal investigator for gyn/onc clinical trials at Sibley.
Reem Saadeh-Haddad, MD
Clinical Geneticist – Sibley Memorial Hospital, Washington, DC

Reem Saadeh-Haddad, MD is a board-certified, experienced clinical geneticist whose mission at Sibley is to provide patient education and support. Her ultimate goal is to offer clear, accurate information and thorough understanding to help patients make an informed decision about next steps, including the option of genetic testing. Dr. Saadeh-Haddad brings a gift for clarity in communication to the practice of cancer genetics counseling.

Greater Baltimore Medical Center

Sara P. Fogarty, DO
General Surgery – GBMC

Born and raised in Bethesda, Maryland, Dr. Fogarty earned her Doctor of Osteopathy degree from the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine in Biddeford, Maine. She completed a general surgery residency at Sinai Hospital of Baltimore, where she served as chief resident from 2012-2013. She then completed a fellowship in breast oncology at the Women & Infants Hospital, Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island.

Christy L. Haakonsen, ScM, CGC
Genetic Counselor – GBMC

Christy Haakonsen, MD is one of the most well regarded and experienced genetics counselor in Baltimore. She obtained her bachelor’s degree in biological psychology, with distinction, from Pennsylvania State University. She received her Masters of Science degree in Genetic Counseling from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health and the National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI) genetic counseling program. She is a member of the National Society of Genetic Counselors (NSGC) and is a certified genetic counselor by the American Board of Genetic Counseling. She specializes in genetic counseling for hereditary cancer risk assessment and is also active in the adult clinical genetics program, working closely with Dr. Clair Francomano.

Geoffrey Neuner, MD
Medical Oncology – GBMC

Geoff Neuner, MD joined the Sandra & Malcolm Berman Cancer Institute at GBMC as a radiation oncologist in July of 2011. Dr. Neuner attended medical school and earned his medical degree from Eastern Virginia Medical School. Before being hired at GBMC, he worked as a resident at University of Maryland Medical System. He specializes in the treatment of gynecologic cancers, especially uterine, cervical and vulvar cancers and participates in education of the Johns Hopkins gynecologic oncology fellows.
Catastrophic Health Planners, Inc.

Lou Yeager
President and Executive Director – Catastrophic Health Planners, Inc.

Lou Yeager was diagnosed with cancer in 1986 and given six months to live. Doctors advised him that because of the nature of the disease, radiation or chemotherapy would only reduce the disease temporarily, and then it would come back with deadly consequences. The doctors thought that watchful waiting would be the best approach.

After surviving a bone marrow transplant in 1991, Lou developed Catastrophic Health Planners, Inc. in 1993. Today, as President and Executive Director of CHP, he continues his mission of improving the quality of life for others facing catastrophic health problems.

Massachusetts General Hospital

Don S. Dizon, MD, FACP
Clinical Co-Director, Gynecologic Oncology
Director, The Oncology Sexual Health Clinic – Massachusetts General Hospital Cancer Center
Associate Professor of Medicine – Harvard Medical School

Undergraduate and medical school degrees at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry followed by residency in Internal Medicine at Yale-New Haven Hospital. After one year as a clinician/educator for the Primary Care Program in the Yale University School of Medicine he completed fellowship training in Medical Oncology at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center and then joined the Developmental Therapeutics service at MSKCC as a member of the Gynecologic Oncology Disease Management Team. In 2002 he became the Director of Medical Oncology for the Program in Women’s Oncology at Women & Infants Hospital of Rhode Island and rose to Associate Professor of Obstetrics-Gynecology and Medicine at the Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University. In Providence he also helped found and served as the co-director of Rhode Island’s first Center for Sexuality, Intimacy, and Fertility for women with a history of cancer. In 2012, Dr. Dizon moved his clinical practice to the Massachusetts General Hospital and in 2015 was appointed Clinical Co-Director of Gynecologic Oncology for the MGH Cancer Center. He also founded and directs the Oncology Sexual Health Clinic. He continues research into women’s cancers with special interests in novel therapeutics and survivorship care. He also continues as a Section Editor in Gynecologic Oncology for UpToDate. Radiation oncology, medical oncology, physical therapy and other key services collaborate closely to ensure the comprehensive care and well being of each patient.
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Philanthropy has a profound impact on our ability to advance the understanding of gynecologic cancers, improve the treatment options available, provide education and awareness opportunities, and build survivorship support programs. Charitable giving, both large and small, is essential to the development of new therapies and boosting clinical programs.

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