

Advanced Cancer Care Close to Home



Putting the patient at the center of care

The St. Joseph Medical Center Cancer Center opened in 2012, built by the support of community members to ensure that advanced cancer care is available right here in Bellingham.

With the help of generous donors, PeaceHealth St. Joseph is able to meet each patient's many needs through their cancer journey, including physical, emotional, financial and spiritual. Charitable support of our Cancer Center changes lives and brings strength and comfort to cancer patients when they need it most.

You can help make our lifesaving and life-affirming care possible.



Comprehensive cancer care under one roof

Our team of cancer specialists and caregivers provide a full spectrum of services such as screening and detection, diagnosis and consults, chemo- and radiotherapies as well as support and educational programs to bolster patients throughout treatment and recovery, all in a beautiful, serene setting that promotes healing.

- On-site services: Medical Oncology Clinic, Radiation Oncology Clinic, Infusion Center, Radiation Therapy, ancillary services including a lab, pharmacy, dieticians, social workers, chaplain and financial advocate
- Support services: Support groups and classes, survivorship, palliative care, a patient financial advocate, resource library, wig gallery, and complementary therapies like massage, reiki and acupuncture

Nurse Navigation Program

Our commitment to care begins before a patient arrives at the Cancer Center through our Nurse Navigation Program. This comprehensive program ensures a caregiver is there alongside patients starting at the point of diagnosis to help them prepare and understand what to expect. We're there to ensure no one faces this journey alone.

- 66 Cancer touches so many lives. How we care for each person with compassion is at the very core of who we are at PeaceHealth. It's an incredible honor to be able to provide this exceptional level of care right here in the community. 99
- —Gurpreet Dhillon, Service Line Director for Palliative Care, Hospice and Cancer Center



From skilled, compassionate treatment, to the latest medical technology, to supportive services like transportation assistance and food vouchers for those in need, your charitable support helps us care for the whole person.

Because of the compassion and caring of generous supporters...

...A cancer patient does not have to worry about financial stressors during his cancer treatment.

...While undergoing treatment, families can support their loved one in a calm and healing environment.

...A mother with breast cancer can focus on her treatment knowing that she has help putting nourishing food on the table.

...People in Bellingham and the surrounding region have access to the very best cancer care.

...Our cancer patients have great outcomes.

Cancer Center Funding Priorities



Technology and equipment, keeping St. Joseph at the forefront of technological advances



Clinical research, expanding treatment options and advancing medical discoveries



Patient experience, complementary therapies like reiki and acupuncture to enhance personal care while a patient is on their cancer journey



Care for patients in need, including nutrition, transportation and the cost of treatments not covered by insurance

Key future investments for the Cancer Center

\$4 MILLION

Additional TrueBeam Linear Accelerator, a powerful device that conforms to a tumor's shape and destroys cancer cells while sparing surrounding normal tissue

\$1 MILLION -

Upgraded CT Machine to provide the imaging necessary to properly plan for radiation therapy.

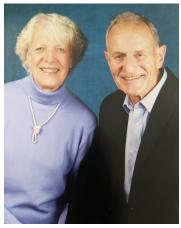
Philanthropy powers the technology that enables us to provide faster and more accurate treatments.

Please join us in supporting the very best cancer care.





Warm, inviting, serene and genuinely caring



Barbara and Jim Burgess celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary

When Barbara Burgess and her husband, Jim, relocated from Seattle to Bellingham to be closer to family, she transferred her cancer care to PeaceHealth St. Joseph Medical Center Cancer Center. Upon stepping into the Cancer Center, Barbara noted the warm, inviting, serene and genuinely caring environment that sets

St. Joseph apart. Barbara and Jim recently became proud donors to the Cancer Center to ensure everyone undergoing cancer treatment at PeaceHealth St. Joseph has access to the same excellent experience she had, regardless of their ability to pay.

Cancer Center Patient Experience Fund

Your gifts to the Foundation's Cancer Center Patient Experience Fund provide educational resources, complementary therapies like massage and acupuncture, and a robust, diverse array of classes and support programs designed to help patients connect and heal.

This fund also provides patients access to a wig, scarf and hat boutique, free rides to treatment, and grocery vouchers for those facing financial hardship. Your partnership enables us to provide healing that goes beyond medicine.

"We will be with you through this journey."

During Colleen's first visit to PeaceHealth St. Joseph Cancer Center following a breast cancer diagnosis, she was met with these words of reassurance from a caregiver while waiting to meet with her oncologist, "You will get amazing care here, and we will be with you through this journey. We also offer a full calendar of support groups and classes available to you including nutrition, yoga and art classes. All you need to do is show up." Donations from community members cover the cost and materials for these programs and expand our ability to offer the utmost care and compassion on each patient's journey.

66 My experience at the Cancer Center has been wonderful and rewarding. And the free programs offered at the Cancer Center like Tai Chi have helped me stay positive throughout my journey.

— Shirley S., Grateful Patient

Your gift will ensure each patient's medical, physical, emotional and spiritual needs are met. all under one roof.

Be part of creating more hope and more stories of hope and healing by investing in the very best cancer care-right here in your community.