Pancreatic Cancer Webinar — Let’s Learn!

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Treatments and the Importance of Clinical Trials

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Let’s Win is an online platform that enables doctors, scientists, and patients to share fast-breaking information on potentially life-saving pancreatic cancer treatments and clinical trials.

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The National Alliance for Hispanic Health is the premier science-based and community-driven organization that focuses on the best health for all. Community-based members provide services to more than 15 million Hispanics throughout the U.S. every year and national organization members provide services to more than 100 million people annually. The Alliance works to ensure that health incorporates the best of science, culture, and community.
The Importance of this Webinar

• Be aware of treatment options
• Ask your doctor questions about what’s right for you
• Understand the importance of clinical trials
• Work with your physician to make informed choices
Pancreatic Cancer: Among the Lives Lost

Congressman John Lewis
July 2020

Ruth Bader Ginsburg
September 2020

Alex Trebek
November 2020

Aretha Franklin
August 2018
Pancreatic Cancer: By the Numbers

- About 64,000 people are diagnosed with pancreatic cancer each year in the US
- The average rate of occurrence in the US is 13.3% but in the Black community the rate is 15.9%
- The rate of occurrence is slightly lower in Hispanics but certain risk factors, such as type 2 diabetes are higher
- It is diagnosed more often in men
- The 5-year survival rate is about 12%
- Vague symptoms
- Most people are diagnosed at a later stage of the disease
- The most effective treatment is surgery, but most patients are diagnosed at too advanced of a stage to undergo surgery
- At this time, there is no easy screening test for pancreatic cancer
Where is the Pancreas?
Expert Panelists

Dr. Allyson Ocean

Dr. Arturo Loaiza-Bonilla
What is the Standard of Care in Pancreatic Cancer?

- Surgery if possible
- Chemotherapy
- Radiation
- Genetic Testing.

Visit the Let’s Win [treatment options](#) page for more information.
The Role of Genetic Testing

- Why testing is important
- How it can impact treatment
What is Molecular or Tumor Profiling?

Tumor profiling examines the genomics of the cancer itself.

There may be mutations, or certain proteins, or biomarkers that are found that can indicate which treatment would be more effective against that tumor.

Learn more about molecular profiling on the Let’s Win website.
The Facts About Clinical Trials

You may receive a drug or treatment protocol that will be more effective than current treatments. Clinical trials move the science forward, something that is particularly important for pancreatic cancer.

• Not everyone qualifies for every trial
• Trials target specific stages of disease.
• Participants may or may not have had prior treatment
• Participants may need to be able to tolerate the treatment.
• The treatments do not cost extra but there may be other expenses, including travel, more testing, or extra missed time from work.

It is also important that new treatments are tested on EVERYONE. Clinical trials need to include people from different racial and ethnic backgrounds.
How to Find a Clinical Trial

Ask your doctor

Research online from reliable sources

• ClinicalTrials.gov
• Let’s Win’s EmergingMed Clinical Trial Finder
• PanCAN’s Clinical Trial Finder
• MassiveBio
Qualifying for a Clinical Trial

- Stage of disease
- Health status
- Prior treatment
- Genetic mutations
Participating in a Clinical Trial

- What to expect
- What to watch out for
Disparities in Clinical Trial Participation

• Black patients comprised 8.2 percent of trial participants vs. 12.4 percent of cases
• Hispanic patients represented 6 percent of trial participants vs 8.5 percent of cases

Why does this disparity exist?
How can we encourage diverse enrollment?
Q & A

Please type your questions into the chat

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For More Information

Treatment Options
Let's Win Pancreatic Cancer
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American Cancer Society
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Cancer Care
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