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**NEW WORKSHOP FOR LYMPHOMA PATIENTS
WILL IMPART VITAL INFORMATION AND INSPIRATION**
THE WELLNESS COMMUNITY PRESENTS FREE FRANKLY SPEAKING ABOUT LYMPHOMA WORKSHOP

St. Louis, MO (August 21, 2009) – The Wellness Community of Greater St. Louis will host a free educational workshop with vital information on the most current lymphoma cancer treatments, strategies for symptom/side effect management, and tools for survivorship, entitled *Frankly Speaking about Lymphoma* on **Tuesday, September 1st from 2:00pm to 4:00pm**, at the **Missouri Baptist Medical Center Auditorium**. Dr. Michael Bolger, cancer specialist (oncology, hematology), at Missouri Baptist Medical Center, will present the two hour workshop. The program, open to lymphoma patients, family members and friends, seeks to empower patients and the people in their lives by providing them with the information and inspiration to adopt the patient active approach, which is partnering with their healthcare team by taking on a more active informed role in their treatment decisions and well-being. Kevin Ferris, LCSW, Associate Program Director of The Wellness Community, will present on the psychological and social aspects of this diagnosis, and a young survivors' panel is also included. The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society will also discuss their resources available to people affected by lymphoma.

When: Tuesday, September 1 • 2:00-4:00 PM (Registration 1:30)

**Where: Missouri Baptist Medical Center, Auditorium
3015 North Ballas Road, St. Louis, MO 63131**

Presenters:

- Dr. Michael Bolger, cancer specialist (oncology, hematology) at Missouri Baptist Medical Center
- Kevin Ferris, LCSW, Associate Program Director of The Wellness Community

To register, please call 314-238-2000 or register online at www.wellnesscommunitystl.org

Frankly Speaking about Lymphoma is one in a series of free cancer-related educational programs created by The Wellness Community–National.

ABOUT THE WELLNESS COMMUNITY OF GREATER ST. LOUIS

The Wellness Community of Greater St. Louis is part of an international non-profit organization that provides support, education, and hope to people with cancer and their loved ones. Through participation in professionally led support groups, educational workshops and mind/body classes, people affected by cancer learn vital skills that enable them to regain control, reduce isolation and restore hope regardless of their stage of disease. Most importantly, The Wellness Community provides a home-like setting for people fighting cancer to connect with and learn from each other. At The Wellness Community, all programs are free of charge. # # #