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Local Oncologists Donate Time to Answer Cancer Patients' Pressing Questions

The Wellness Community Presents "Lunch With a Doc" Series

St. Louis, MO (3/17/09) – The Wellness Community of Greater St. Louis will host a free educational lunch for cancer patients entitled "Lunch with a Doc." Local oncologists have donated their time to answer medical questions regarding cancer and treatment. **Missouri Baptist Cancer Center** Oncologist **Dr. Gary Ratkin** presented a well-received session in February. The next hour long "Lunch with a Doc" session will take place on **Friday, March 27th at 1:00PM at The Wellness Community, 1058 Des Peres Road, St. Louis, MO 63131.**

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

"Face to face time to ask an oncologist questions is essential to taking an active approach to treatment and people affected by cancer may find this easier outside of the hospital setting here at The Wellness Community," said **Charli Prather, MSW, LCSW**, Clinical Program Director of **The Wellness Community of Greater St. Louis.**

Upcoming Lunch with a Doc session is:

- **Lunch with a Doc with Dr. Alan Lyss, Missouri Baptist Cancer Center Oncologist - RSVP**

When: Friday, March 27th; 1:00 – 2:00 PM.

Where: The Wellness Community, 1058 Des Peres Road, St. Louis, MO 63131.

Cost: Free of charge for people affected by cancer, like all programs at The Wellness Community. (Includes vegetarian soup and salad lunch)

ABOUT THE WELLNESS COMMUNITY OF GREATER ST. LOUIS

The Wellness Community of Greater St. Louis is part of an international non-profit organization dedicated to providing free 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. www.wellnesscommunitystl.org