

## Your Immune System & Cancer Treatment

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## CSC Offers Frankly Speaking About Cancer: Your Immune System & Cancer Treatment

Educational Workshop for People Diagnosed with Cancer and Their Loved Ones

**St. Louis, MO (May 10, 2016)** – <u>Cancer Support Community of Greater St. Louis</u> (CSC) will host an educational workshop offered at no charge to people impacted by cancer entitled: *Frankly Speaking About Cancer: Your Immune System & Cancer Treatment.* Immunotherapy is one of the exciting areas of new discoveries and treatments for cancer – this workshop aims to explain how immunotherapy is changing the way we think about and treat cancer. It will take place on May 24th from 6:30 – 8:00 PM at Cancer Support Community, 1058 Old Des Peres Road, 63131.

"People living with cancer and their loved ones want to know about the most recent advances in cancer research so that they can identify their best treatment options," said **Renata Sledge**, **MSW**, **LCSW**, **Program Director** of **Cancer Support Community of Greater St. Louis.** "By taking an active role in their treatment decisions, people with cancer can improve their quality of life."

Dannielle Crites, RN from Siteman Cancer Center will explore how the immune system interacts with cancer, immunotherapy treatments that are currently available as well as treatments that are being developed, and tips to manage common side effects. In addition, a CSC facilitator will discuss ways to cope with the social and emotional challenges of a cancer diagnosis.

Advance registration is preferred, but walk-in attendees are welcome. To register, please call **314-238-2000 or register online at www.cancersupportstl.org**.

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Cancer Support Community of Greater St. Louis (CSC) is a non-profit organization whose mission is to ensure that all people impacted by cancer are empowered by knowledge, strengthened by action, and sustained by community to enhance their overall well-being. All programs are offered at no charge in a comfortable, home-like environment. Cancer Support Community offers professionally-led support groups, educational workshops, nutrition and exercise programs, and stress management classes to empower and educate individuals affected by cancer. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.cancersupportstl.org">www.cancersupportstl.org</a> or call 314-238-2000.

**Editor's Note:** Reporters are welcome to attend the workshop, however, please contact us in advance if you are interested in bringing a photo/videographer or would like a facility tour.