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NEWS FROM MEMORIAL SLOAN KETTERING CANCER CENTER - HARRISON

Expert Cancer Care Close to You





Harrison resident Dr. Chau T. Dang recently toured the Memorial Sloan Kettering facility at 500 Westchester Avenue in Harrison, New York, where she will lead medical oncology services. The site, opening this fall, will provide state-of-the-art outpatient cancer care.

Soon, residents of Westchester and Fairfield Counties and the Hudson Valley will have easier access to the outstanding cancer care of world-renowned Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center. In October, our newest outpatient facility will bring multidisciplinary care teams and more than 35 cancer specialists to Harrison, New York. "Cancer is a disease that requires a singular focus and depth of experience," says gynecologic surgeon Richard Barakat, Deputy Physician-in-Chief for MSK Regional Care Network and Alliances. "We are excited to bring our unique expertise and compassionate care to residents in the Harrison area."

Unparalleled Care

When it comes to cancer treatment, experience does matter. Many studies have shown that patients live longer, experience better quality of life, and have fewer complications

when they are treated by specialists with extensive expertise. MSK's specialized disease management teams will treat people with breast, gynecologic, gastrointestinal, lung, and prostate cancers, among others.

Clinical services available at the new Harrison facility will include surgical consultations, medical oncology, radiation oncology, chemotherapy, diagnostic and interventional radiology, and dermatology (including Mohs surgery). We will also offer sophisticated imaging technologies, including MRI, CT, PET scans, PET/CT, ultrasound, and mammography.

Memorial Sloan Kettering has provided exceptional cancer care to the Westchester community for more than 17 years at our Sleepy Hollow location. Adding the Harrison facility will address a growing demand in the area for comprehensive cancer care.

Leadership from a Local MSK Expert

Area residents will soon be seeing a familiar face as Harrison resident Chau T. Dang, MD, has been appointed the new Chief of the Harrison Medical Oncology Service. Dr. Dang, who joins the team from MSK's Breast Cancer Medicine Service in Manhattan, says: "While my family and I are looking forward to me working so close to home, I'm very eager to bring Memorial Sloan Kettering–quality care to our community. The science is rapidly developing, and it is an exciting, promising time in cancer treatment."

In addition to directing clinical care,
Dr. Dang plans to host educational seminars
at MSK Harrison on all the major types
of cancer — such as breast, gynecologic,
lung, gastrointestinal, genitourinary, and

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hematological cancers — as well as on the more rare types. She has a strong interest and background in clinical research, leading efforts to find more-effective and less-toxic treatment strategies for women with breast cancer. "By working closely with all the disease management teams, patients will have access to a wide range of clinical trials and the newest advances at MSK Harrison," she says.

Patients of Memorial Sloan Kettering Harrison will benefit from:

 Access to a National Cancer Institute– designated Comprehensive Cancer Center

- A multidisciplinary team approach to care, with our experts working closely together to ensure the best possible treatment, including access to clinical research trials
- Specialized services such as genetic counseling, pain management, lymphedema therapy, survivorship services, social work, and nutrition counseling
- Support groups and quality of life programs for patients and cancer survivors

Dr. Dang looks forward to engaging with the community and establishing partnerships with local providers to better support local area patients. She enjoys the location's diversity of residents, proximity to nearby towns, and easy access to Manhattan. Do say hello if you spot her out and about in town taking her son to school, the YMCA, or the library.

For more information about MSK Harrison, visit www.mskcc.org/harrison or contact harrison@mskcc.org.

Patients interested in receiving care at Memorial Sloan Kettering can contact our Physician Referral Service at 800-525-2225. We are in-network with most health plans.



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FOR THE PUBLIC

Tuesday, April 29, 2014 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Update on Thyroid Cancer

Chau T. Dang, MD (welcoming remarks)
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FOR CLINICIANS AND HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

Wednesday, May 21, 2014 6:00 - 8:30 PM

The Changing Landscape of Clinical Trials

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