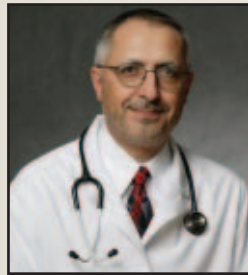




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A Briefing The Doctors..

The Private Practice

Imagine having oncology specialists trained at UCLA, USC, UCI, University of Maryland, and New York Medical College getting together to discuss in detail your diagnosis and a treatment plan for you! Well, that's exactly what happens every week at our private hematology/oncology practice at Pacific Shores Medical Group. Over the years, we have been fortunate to assemble a first-rate team of physicians with remarkable career and training backgrounds in all of these institutions. Most importantly, our team works together on an ongoing basis in a collegially supportive environment. We have every possible means available to improve communication, exchange ideas, and join efforts to help each individual patient.



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Weekly Conferences, Ongoing Communication

Our physicians as well as our nurse practitioners, physician assistants, nurses, and ancillary staff participate in many conferences. Training and update are

based not only on in-house teaching activities and conferences, but also patient review and educational programs taking place at the affiliated hospitals, affiliated University Centers, and national meetings. All of our physicians communicate regularly to review

diagnostic and treatment decisions with great focus on individual patients, so that the latest and best therapeutic strategies are matched with the needs of specific patients.

Great advances in communications systems allow our entire team to work together. We have seen the



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approaches and fresh reviews of what can be done are brought forward and a solid and helpful consensus often evolves after a thorough discussion. It has been an amazingly rewarding experience for all of us to participate in these meetings, which always go on for at least two hours every week.

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Conferences with our Colleagues at UCLA

On a regular basis and by virtue of our participation in the UCLA Affiliated Translational Oncology Research International Network, the entire cadre of oncologists and researchers at UCLA and our team, as well as other oncology participating groups, get together to share the latest in cancer treatment and research. This activity is part of our integrated approach to building the strongest possible infrastructure for providing our patients with the best available means to treat their disease.

High-tech Communication Systems Help us Work Together

Through our 'intranet' we are able to share in real time and at our different offices all relevant information and the latest in treatment and research that can apply to our patients. Our clinical update activities, our research programs, and the latest approaches to improve the outlook of our patients are posted so that we have access to it in real time as we take care of the patient. Also we are currently implementing our electronic medical record system. The entire file of each of our patients will be converted into electronic medical records, and this will provide immediate and concurrent access to all of our team members.

National and International Conferences

Our physicians participate regularly in multiple educational oncology and hematology activities throughout the country and, when necessary, abroad. These activities include participation in the American Society of Clinical Oncology Meetings on a yearly basis, the American Society of Hematology meetings yearly, multiple local, regional, and national research and update conferences, as well as in our conferences at our offices with invited professors from all over the country and all over the world. Furthermore, we are fortunate to be associated with the finest hospitals in the region and participate actively in their academic and educational activities.

This broad and deep program of ongoing update and education, together with the fact that we are one of the largest oncology practices in the country, fosters an environment in which patients receive the best care available.

