Cancer Services of New Mexico’s

SPRING 2008
FAMILY CANCER
RETREAT

A free educational program
for New Mexico’s adult cancer patients/survivors
and the family members and loved ones who care for them

April 25-27, 2008
Glorieta, NM
(18 miles from Santa Fe)

APPLICATION PACKET
Cancer Services of New Mexico’s Spring 2008 Family Cancer Retreat

Overview

The Spring 2008 Family Cancer Retreat will provide New Mexico’s adult cancer patients/survivors and the family members and loved ones who serve as their primary caregivers with a weekend of education, reflection, and rejuvenation in a relaxing and beautiful environment.

The retreat will focus on educating participants on the process of surviving, from the difficulties of handling the initial diagnosis, through coping with therapy, through a variety of medical and social topics relating to at-home care and the emotional issues associated with surviving.

The retreat will also provide participants with the opportunity to spend time with each other in informal sessions, speaking with and learning from others who are coping with some of the same issues that they are.

Supervised child care and recreational activities will be provided for children and teens during the educational sessions.

Logistics and Fees

The program will be held from April 25-27, 2008, at the LifeWay Glorieta Conference Center in Glorieta, New Mexico (approximately 18 miles from Santa Fe).

There is no charge to participate in the retreat — the entire program, including meals, lodging, and all educational activities is provided at no cost to participants. However, space is limited so we encourage interested families to apply as early as possible. For more information, please contact Mike Capeless at (505) 239-4239, or go to our website — www.CancerServicesNM.org.

The Program

During the weekend, we will intersperse lectures and discussions on a variety of cancer-related topics with fun activities that provide a break from the day-to-day challenges of living with cancer.

Planned educational sessions include:

- Choosing the Best Treatment/Clinical Trial
- New Developments in Cancer Treatment
- “Ask the Oncologist” Panels
- Coping with Treatment-Related Side Effects
- Accessing Cancer-Related Info on the Internet
- Patient and Family Communication
- Talking with Kids About Cancer
- Caring for the Caregiver
- Integrative Therapies Panel
- Pain Management and Hospice Services
- Cancer-Related Legal and Insurance Issues
- You’ve Completed Treatment – Now What?
- Moving from Surviving to Thriving
- Meditation, Yoga, and Creativity Workshops
Application Process

To start the application process, please complete the attached Application Form and return it to

Spring 2008 Family Cancer Retreat
Cancer Services of New Mexico
P.O. Box 51344
Albuquerque, NM 87181-1344

Our facilities can accommodate **up to four people per family**, sharing a hotel room with a private bathroom. Participants must be New Mexican residents, and may include:

- One adult cancer patient/survivor;
- One adult family member or loved one who has served as their primary caretaker; and
- Two additional family members

If these arrangements will not meet your family’s requirements, please contact us **before** returning your application to discuss how we might accommodate you.

*Once we receive your Application Form, we will review it closely and get back to you within a few weeks to let you know if we will be able to accommodate your family this Spring.* If so, we will send you a registration packet containing a variety of materials, including a detailed agenda, participant information forms, physician consent form, medical/liability waiver form, and a map.

If you have any questions, please contact us at (505) 239-4239 or info@CancerServicesNM.org.

We look forward to reviewing your application!

*The Spring 2008 Retreat Planning Committee*
Please provide all requested information for all participants. This information will be kept confidential to Cancer Services of New Mexico. Return completed form to Cancer Services of New Mexico, P.O. Box 51344, Albuquerque, NM 87181-1344

Spring 2008 Family Cancer Retreat Application

Adult Cancer Patient/Survivor Information

Full Name

Address

City          State          Zip

Home Phone #   Email address

Alternate Phone # (work/cell/other)

M____ F____ Date of Birth

Type of Cancer   Date of Diagnosis

Oncologist’s Name*   Oncologist’s Phone #

Briefly describe your current treatment regimen:

Has your family attended a previous Family Cancer Retreat?

☐ No   ☐ Yes - Date(s):

* Prostate cancer patients/survivors may provide the name/phone # of their urologist.

Adult Caretaker Information

Full Name

Home Phone #   Email address

Alternate Phone # (work/cell/other)

M____ F____ Date of Birth

Relationship to Cancer Patient/Survivor

Other Family Members Participating

1.  _________________________________________
   Full Name
   M____ F____ Date of Birth
   Relationship to Cancer Patient/Survivor

2.  _________________________________________
   Full Name
   M____ F____ Date of Birth
   Relationship to Cancer Patient/Survivor

How/where did you get this application?

Please read and sign:

In making this application for Cancer Services of New Mexico’s Spring 2008 Family Cancer Retreat, I state that the foregoing information is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I authorize my oncologist and/or his representatives to release information regarding my ability to participate in the Spring 2008 Family Cancer Retreat to Cancer Services of New Mexico or its agents and employees. I release from all liability all individuals and organizations that provide information about me regarding this application.

Print Adult Cancer Patient/Survivor Name

Signature ___________________________ Date __________
Cancer Services of New Mexico is an independent, non-profit, organization that provides services to reduce cancer suffering for New Mexico’s families. We work closely with other cancer services providers to ensure coordination and avoid duplication of effort. We are the only statewide non-profit organization that looks broadly at addressing gaps in cancer-related services while maintaining a 100% focus on New Mexico.

For more information about our Family Cancer Retreats, or about our other programs, please contact us!

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