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EAGLEBANK FOUNDATION AND THE GW CANCER INSTITUTE TO HOST FIRST ANNUAL CANCER SURVIVORSHIP SYMPOSIUM

BETHESDA, **MD** - The EagleBank Foundation and The GW Cancer Institute's Center for the Advancement of Cancer Survivorship, Navigation and Policy (caSNP) have partnered to create and support an Annual Symposium on the state of research and clinical care in cancer survivorship. The symposium, which will take place on Thursday, October 15th at The George Washington University's Marvin Center, will examine the needs of more than 12 million cancer survivors in the U.S. who face the challenge of re-entering the world after cancer diagnosis and treatment.

"The number of cancer survivors is rapidly growing, creating a critical need for long-term follow-up care and support," said Dr. Steven Patierno, executive director of The GW Cancer Institute. "This symposium will address the long-term impact of cancer treatment on patients' lives, with nationally and internationally recognized experts convening to explore specific challenges and opportunities, problems and progress, and barriers and breakthroughs—ultimately providing researchers and clinicians with critical knowledge to improve the quality of life of survivors."

"By partnering to create and support the first annual cancer survivorship symposium, EagleBank recognizes the challenges faced by many cancer survivors," said Donald R. Rogers (of Shulman, Rogers, Gandal, Pordy & Ecker, P.A.), a director of EagleBank and the Chairman of the EagleBank Foundation. "As a local bank, we're proud to play an active roll in establishing better long-term care and support for members of the community we serve."

This year's symposium will focus on survivorship research and health disparities and speakers will include Dr. Julia Rowland, director of the National Cancer Institute's (NCI) Office of Cancer Survivorship, Dr. Craig Earle, program leader for health services research at the Ontario Institute for Cancer Research, Dr. Lisa Campbell, associate director of the Center for Health Disparities Research at East Carolina University, and Dr. Kimlin Ashing-Giwa, director of the Center for Community Alliance for Research and Education at City of Hope Comprehensive Cancer Center.

The symposium will also feature a panel discussion, moderated by Caroline Huffman, director of Survivorship and Patient Navigation Services at the Lance Armstrong Foundation, with representatives from two Livestrong Survivorship Centers of Excellence who have made significant strides in addressing the needs of minority and underserved cancer survivors.

Registration fee is \$150 per person and includes continental breakfast and lunch. For more information or to register for the symposium, visit http://www.gwumc.edu/caSNP/navigsurvivor.html. Additional support for this event is provided by Pfizer Inc. and the Pfizer Foundation and The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

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ABOUT GWCI

The GW Medical Center's Cancer Institute (GWCI) takes a comprehensive approach to a complex disease. In connection with the GW Hospital and the GW Medical Faculty Associates, the Institute provides for collaboration in the study, diagnosis and treatment of cancer. GWCI's mission is to provide a confluence of groundbreaking biomedical and clinical research, high quality educational programs, and outstanding patient care to the entire Metropolitan Washington area, and effective outreach for the community. Many programs focus on studying cancers, such as breast, lung, prostate and gastrointestinal / colorectal cancer, that disproportionately affect minority and vulnerable populations. For more information, visit www.gwumc.edu/gwci/.

ABOUT caSNP

caSNP focuses broadly on the interrelated scientific, clinical, public health and health policy dimensions of cancer care with a special emphasis on patient navigation and survivorship. The Center was created in 2009 by the GW Cancer Institute, in partnership with the Department of Health Policy within the School of Public Health and Health Services (SPHHS) and is supported by the Pfizer Foundation and Pfizer Inc.'s Global Health Partnerships Program. For more information, visit www.gwumc.edu/caSNP.

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