

Conference Agenda

October 15–17, 2026 · Weill Cornell Medicine, New York, NY

As of Tuesday, August 18, 2026

Thursday, Oct. 15

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Registration Check-In Opens
8:45 AM – 9:00 AM	Opening Remarks <i>Opening Remarks from Symposium Course Directors</i> Melissa Frey, MD, MS — Weill Cornell Medicine Ravi Sharaf, MD, MS — Weill Cornell Medicine Michelle Primiano, MS, CGC — Weill Cornell Medicine Sue Friedman, Patient Advocate — FORCE
9:00 AM – 10:45 AM	Session 1 - Hereditary Cancer Syndromes: Current Standards and Future Directions GUARDIAN Genomic Newborn Screening for Rare Pediatric Cancers Wendy Chung, MD, PhD — Boston Children's Hospital Hereditary Breast Cancer: Advances and Frontiers Allison Kurian, MD — Stanford Medicine Topic TBD Speaker TBD MODERATORS: Melissa Frey, MD, MS · Ravi Sharaf, MD, MS
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Patient Wellness and Connection Space LED BY: Emily Epstein, LMSW · Laura Schneebaum, LMHC-D, LMSW
10:45 AM – 11:00 AM	Break
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Session 2 - Survivorship and Beyond: Health, Monitoring, and Quality of Life Neurologic Health for Cancer Survivors/Previvors Fanny Elahi, MD — Mount Sinai Weight Management in Cancer Survivorship/Previvorship: What's the Real Deal with GLP-1s? Rekha Kumar, MD — Weill Cornell Medicine Menopause Management after Breast Cancer: Hormonal and Non-Hormonal Options Corinne Menn, DO MODERATORS: Mercedes Castiel, MD · Evelyn Cantillo, MD, MPH · Tracy Milgram, Patient Advocate
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Patient Advocacy Spotlight
1:15 PM – 2:15 PM	Session 3 - Optimizing Health and Quality of Life after Cancer / Cancer Prevention Hormone Replacement Therapy and BRCA-Related Cancer Joanne Kotsopoulos, PhD — <i>University of Toronto</i> Reproductive Planning Across the Cancer and Cancer Prevention Continuum Alexis Melnick, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> Sexual Health of Cancer Survivors and Preivors Chris Creatura, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> Bone Health after Menopause Panagiota Andreopoulou, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> MODERATORS: Natalie Baratta, NP · Johanna Von Hofe, MD · Huma Arastu, Patient Advocate
2:15 PM – 2:30 PM	Break
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM	CONCURRENT SESSIONS Session 4A – Clinical Updates in Gastrointestinal Cancer Syndromes Screening and Surveillance in Hereditary Upper G.I. and Pancreatic Malignancies Evan Grossman, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> Updates in Hereditary Colorectal Cancer Prevention and Screening Preston Atteberry, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> Comprehensive Genetic Assessment in Endometrial Cancer: Understanding Risk and Guiding Management Ying Liu, MD — <i>Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center</i> Gynecological Considerations Through the Life Course of Women with Lynch Syndrome June Hou, MD — <i>Columbia University Medical Center</i> MODERATORS: Ravi Sharaf, MD, MS · Jamieson Greenwald, MD Session 4B – Clinical Updates in Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer Syndromes Risk-Reducing Surgical Options for Hereditary Ovarian Cancer Roni Wilke, MD — <i>UT MD Anderson Cancer Center</i> Management of Hereditary Ovarian Cancer and STIC Lesions Stephanie Blank, MD — <i>Mount Sinai</i> Chemoprevention for Breast Cancer Jennel Zeppieri, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> Pancreatic Cancer Screening in High Risk Populations SriHari Mahadev, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> MODERATORS: Katie LaVigne Mager, MD · Stacy Sanicola, NP · Diane Rose, Patient Advocate (FORCE)
3:30 PM – 3:45 PM	Break
3:45 PM – 4:45 PM	Session 5 – Hereditary Cancer: What’s New, What Matters, What’s Next Personalized Breast Cancer Screening Yiwey Shieh, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> Clinical and Research Updates in Hereditary Dermatologic Cancer Anthony Rossi, MD — <i>Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center</i> Clinical and Research Updates in Hereditary Gynecologic Cancer Janice Kwon, MD, PhD — <i>University of British Columbia</i> Topic TBD Speaker TBD MODERATORS: Jennel Zeppieri, MD · Amanda Laterza Ozarowski, MS, CGC · Verinda Hobbs, Patient Advocate (FORCE)

4:45 PM – 5:00 PM	Break
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Session 6 – Breast Reconstruction: Expert Perspectives on Options and Oncologic Safety Leslie Cohen, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> David Otterburn, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> Elisa Port, MD — <i>Mount Sinai</i> Jonathan Bank, MD — <i>New York Breast Reconstruction and Aesthetic Plastic Surgery</i> Andrew Weinstein, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> Magdalena Plasilova, MD PhD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> MODERATORS: Melissa Frey, MD, MS · Carmen Giddon, Patient Advocate (Weill Cornell Medicine)
6:30 PM – 10:30 PM	Love, Danielle Movie Night Refreshments, 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM Movie followed by Q&A, 7:30 PM – 10:30 PM Amy Byer Shainman — <i>executive producer</i> Devin Sidell — <i>star, co-writer, producer</i> MODERATORS: Melissa Frey, MD, MS · Ravi Sharaf, MD, MS · Karen Kramer, Patient Advocate (FORCE)
Friday, Oct. 16	
7:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Registration Check-In Opens
7:00 AM – 8:00 AM	Exhibit Hall
7:00 AM – 8:15 AM	Focused Collaboration Sessions
7:45 AM – 8:15 AM	Early Morning Meditation
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Session 7 – Strategies for Hereditary Cancer Prevention and Interception Breast Cancer Vaccines and Interception Payal Shah, MD — <i>University of Pennsylvania</i> Cancer Immune Interception in Lynch Syndrome Eduardo Vilar-Sanchez, MD, PhD — <i>UT MD Anderson Cancer Center</i> Risk-Reducing Salpingectomy Kara Long, MD, MS — <i>Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center</i> Options for Cancer Chemoprevention Laura Goetz, MD, MPH — <i>HonorHealth Research Institute</i> MODERATORS: Michelle Primiano, MS, CGC · Ravi Sharaf, MD, MS · Luca Mihaly, Patient Advocate
10:00 AM – 10:15 AM	Break

10:15 AM – 11:30 AM	Session 8 – The Future of Targeted Cancer Therapy: Innovation and Impact Ovarian Cancer Targeted Therapy Barbara Norquist, MD — <i>University of Washington</i> Oncologic Anthropology: Genetic African Ancestry and Breast Cancer Risk Lisa Newman, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 2026: It's a Good Time to Be a Pancreatic Cancer Doc—More Tools in the Toolbox Allyson Ocean, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> Prostate Cancer Therapy David Nanus, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> MODERATORS: Melissa Frey, MD, MS · Arielle Nelson, NP · Ivy Duneier, Patient Advocate	
11:30 AM – 12:45 PM	Lunch	
12:00 PM – 12:30 PM	Exhibit Hall	
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Session 9 - The Value of Cancer Genetics: Cost, Impact, and Future Directions Cost-Effectiveness of Population-Based Genetic Testing Ranjit Manchanda, MD — <i>Queen Mary University of London</i> The Economics of Prevention: Cost-Effectiveness of Breast, Ovarian, and Pancreatic Cancer Risk Management for BRCA1/2 Carriers Danyal Ahsan, MD — <i>Penn Medicine</i> Cost-Effectiveness in Hereditary Cancer / Genetics Jason Wright, MD — <i>Tufts Medical Center</i> NCI Funding Priorities Andrea Burnett-Hartman, PhD, MPH — <i>National Cancer Institute Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences</i> MODERATORS: Ravi Sharaf, MD, MS · Shayan Dioun, MD	
2:00 PM – 2:15 PM	Break	
2:15 PM – 3:15 PM	CONCURRENT SESSIONS Session 10A – Advancing Cancer Screening and Risk Assessment: Technology, Innovation, and Equity Gastric Cancer Screening in Hereditary Cancer Predisposition Syndromes Bryson Katona, MD, PhD — <i>Penn Medicine</i> Disparities in Cancer Genetics Eloise Chapman-Davis, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> Catching What We've Been Missing: AI-Driven Risk Assessment and the Future of Early Breast Cancer Detection Katerina Dodelzon, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> Whole Body MRI for Hereditary Cancer Syndromes and Beyond Preethi Guniganti, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> MODERATORS: Natalie Baratta, NP · Enzo Bruscatto Session 10B – Life after Cancer: Navigating Survivorship in Hereditary Cancer Gynecologic Cancer Survivorship Deanna Gerber, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> Breast Cancer Survivorship and Secondary Malignancy Risk Evelyn Taiwo, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> Genetics-Informed Behavioral Health: From Concept to Clinical Integration Emily Epstein, LMSW — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> MODERATORS: Jeannie Chern, MD · Jennifer Kindman, MD · Tracy Milgram, Patient Advocate	

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3:30 PM – 5:15 PM	CONCURRENT SESSIONS Session 11A – Centering the Patient Voice: Patient-Reported Outcomes in Hereditary Cancer Centering Community Voices: Lessons from the PREFER CHW Genomics Research Education Program Caitlin Allen, PhD, MPH — <i>Wake Forest University School of Medicine</i> A Journey to Improve Hereditary Cancer Risk Assessment Lori Orlando, MD, MHS — <i>Wake Forest University School of Medicine</i> Impact of Digital Health Approaches to Cancer Genetic Services on Patient Outcomes Kim Kaphingst, ScD, ScM — <i>University of Utah</i> System-Level Screening and Navigation to Manage Familial Cancer Risk in a Large Health System: Patient Perspectives on Acceptability Carmit McMullen, PhD — <i>Kaiser Permanente</i> MODERATORS: Ravi Sharaf, MD, MS · Shoshana Rosenberg, ScD, MPH Session 11B – Research in Action: Oral Presentations Speakers and timing TBD MODERATORS: Melissa Frey, MD, MS · Madison Miller, MD · Tracy Milgram, Patient Advocate
5:15 PM – 6:15 PM	Poster Session
5:30 PM	Genetic Counselors Meet-Up
Saturday, Oct. 17	
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Registration Check-In Open
8:15 AM – 10:10 AM	Session 12 - Evolving Care: Advances in Hereditary Cancer Syndromes Pancreatic Cancer Screening Diane Simeone, MD — <i>UC San Diego Health</i> Li Fraumeni Syndrome Kara Maxwell, MD, PhD — <i>University of Pennsylvania</i> Topic TBD Ken Offit, MD, MPH — <i>Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center</i> Hereditary Prostate Cancer Veda Giri, MD — <i>Yale School of Medicine</i> BRCA1/2: Long-Term Clinical Experience and Lessons Learned Steven Narod, MD — <i>University of Toronto</i> MODERATORS: Ravi Sharaf, MD, MS · Michelle Primiano, MS, CGC · Vered Stearns, MD
10:10 AM – 10:25 AM	Break

10:25 AM – 11:45 AM	Session 13 - The Future of Cancer Genetics: What Comes Next? Personalizing Breast and Ovarian Cancer Risk Prediction for Prevention and Early Detection Antonis Antoniou, PhD, MPhil — <i>University of Cambridge</i> Liquid Biopsy in Hereditary Cancer Early Detection Raymond Kim, MD — <i>University of Toronto</i> Use of ctDNA in Cancer Screening and Follow-Up Mark Robson, MD — <i>Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center</i> Scaling AI for Personalized Cancer Care Adam Yala, PhD — <i>UC Berkeley</i> Future of Health Equity in Cancer Genetics Kemi Babagbemi, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> MODERATORS: Marina Corines, MD · Melissa Frey, MD, MS
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1:30 PM – 2:45 PM	Session 14 - Closing the Gap in Cancer Genetic Testing Cascade Genetic Testing with a Focus on Health Equity Jose Alejandro Rauh-Hain, MD — <i>UT MD Anderson Cancer Center</i> Combination of Obstetric and Cancer Genetic Screening - Are We Ready? Melissa Frey, MD, MS — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> Shayan Dioun, MD — <i>Columbia University Medical Center</i> GARDE-Chat: Open-Source Platform for Healthcare Chatbots Guilherme Del Fiol, MD — <i>University of Utah</i> Population Based Cancer Risk Assessment Ravi Sharaf, MD, MS — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> Leveraging Technology for Universal Germline Genetic Testing Heather Hampel, MS, CGC — <i>City of Hope</i> Training the Workforce in Cancer Genetics Kathy Blazer, EdD, MS, CGC — <i>City of Hope</i> MODERATORS: Roni Nitecki, MD, MPH · Sue Friedman, Patient Advocate (FORCE) · Jovana Lekovich, MD
2:45 PM – 3:00 PM	Break
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Session 15 - Living with Hereditary Cancer Risk - Voices of Previvors, Survivors, and Thrivers: Priorities, Needs, and Gaps (Moderated Panel) MODERATORS: Laura Schneebaum, LMHC-D, LMSW · Sue Friedman, Patient Advocate (FORCE) · Emily Epstein, LMSW
4:00 PM – 4:15 PM	Break

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5:30 PM

Session 16 – Closing Reflections: Hereditary Cancer, Where Are We Now and Where Are We Going?

From Routine Imaging to Risk Stratification: Multimodal Vision–Language Survival Modeling for Pancreatic Cancer

Imon Banerjee, PhD — *Mayo Clinic*

The Next Era of Whole Genome Sequencing

Omar Abdul-Rahman, MD — *Weill Cornell Medicine*

Engaging Patient Stakeholders in Hereditary Cancer Research: Why, When and How?

Sue Friedman, Patient Advocate — *FORCE*

Building a Comprehensive Cancer Prevention Program: The Weill Cornell Experience

Melissa Frey, MD, MS — *Weill Cornell Medicine*

Ravi Sharaf, MD, MS — *Weill Cornell Medicine*

Michelle Primiano, MS, CGC — *Weill Cornell Medicine*

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