

Conference Agenda

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

As of Friday, October 16, 2026

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WEILL CORNELL MEDICINE
 1300 York Avenue, New York, NY 10065

Thursday, Oct. 15

**8:00 AM –
5:00 PM**

Belfer Research
 Building
 2nd Floor Landing

Registration Check-In Opens

**8:45 AM –
9:00 AM**

Weill Cornell Medicine
 Uris Auditorium

Opening Remarks

Opening Remarks from Symposium Course Directors

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 –
10:30 AM**

Weill Cornell Medicine
 Uris Auditorium

Session 1 - Hereditary Cancer Syndromes: Current Standards and Future Directions

9:00 – 9:30 AM

GUARDIAN Genomic Newborn Screening for Rare Pediatric Cancers

Wendy Chung, MD, PhD — *Boston Children's Hospital*

9:30 – 10:00 AM

Hereditary Breast Cancer: Advances and Frontiers

Allison Kurian, MD — *Stanford Medicine*

10:00 – 10:30 AM

Q&A with Speakers

MODERATORS: Melissa Frey, MD, MS · Ravi Sharaf, MD, MS

**9:00 AM –
5:00 PM**

Belfer Research
 Building
 Room 302 ABCD

Patient Wellness and Connection Space

LED BY: Emily Epstein, LMSW · Laura Schneebaum, LMHC-D, LMSW

**10:30 AM –
11:00 AM**

Break

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM Weill Cornell Medicine Uris Auditorium	Session 2 - Survivorship and Beyond: Health, Monitoring, and Quality of Life 11:00 – 11:15 AM Hormone Replacement Therapy and BRCA-Related Cancer Joanne Kotsopoulos, PhD — <i>University of Toronto</i> 11:15 – 11:30 AM Weight Management in Cancer Survivorship/Previvorship: What's the Real Deal with GLP-1s? Rekha Kumar, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 11:30 – 11:45 AM Menopause Management after Breast Cancer: Hormonal and Non-Hormonal Options Corinne Menn, DO 11:45 AM – 12:00 PM Q&A with Speakers MODERATORS: Mercedes Castiel, MD · Evelyn Cantillo, MD, MPH · Tracy Milgram, Patient Advocate
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM Weill Cornell Medicine Griffis Faculty Club	Lunch
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM Belfer Research Building Room 204 ABC	Patient Advocacy Spotlight
1:15 PM – 2:15 PM Weill Cornell Medicine Uris Auditorium	Session 3 - Optimizing Health and Quality of Life after Cancer / Cancer Prevention 1:15 – 1:25 PM Neurologic Health for Cancer Survivors/Previvors Fanny Elahi, MD — <i>Mount Sinai</i> 1:25 – 1:35 PM Reproductive Planning Across the Cancer and Cancer Prevention Continuum Alexis Melnick, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 1:35 – 1:45 PM Sexual Health of Cancer Survivors and Previvors Chris Creatura, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 1:45 – 1:55 PM Bone Health after Menopause Panagiota Andreopoulou, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 1:55 – 2:15 PM Q&A with Speakers 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 Weill Cornell Medicine Griffis Faculty Club 2:30 – 2:40 PM Screening and Surveillance in Hereditary Upper G.I. and Pancreatic Malignancies Evan Grossman, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 2:40 – 2:50 PM Updates in Hereditary Colorectal Cancer Prevention and Screening Preston Atteberry, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 2:50 – 3:00 PM Comprehensive Genetic Assessment in Endometrial Cancer: Understanding Risk and Guiding Management Ying Liu, MD — <i>Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center</i> 3:00 – 3:10 PM Gynecological Considerations Through the Life Course of Women with Lynch Syndrome June Hou, MD — <i>Columbia University Medical Center</i> 3:10 – 3:30 PM Q&A with Speakers MODERATORS: Ravi Sharaf, MD, MS · Jamieson Greenwald, MD · Cindy Gavin, Patient Advocate Session 4B – Clinical Updates in Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer Syndromes Weill Cornell Medicine Uris Auditorium 2:30 – 2:40 PM Risk-Reducing Surgical Options for Hereditary Ovarian Cancer Roni Wilke, MD — <i>UT MD Anderson Cancer Center</i> 2:40 – 2:50 PM Management of Hereditary Ovarian Cancer and STIC Lesions Stephanie Blank, MD — <i>Mount Sinai</i> 2:50 – 3:00 PM Chemoprevention for Breast Cancer Jennel Zeppieri, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 3:00 – 3:10 PM Pancreatic Cancer Screening in High Risk Populations SriHari Mahadev, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 3:10 – 3:30 PM Q&A with Speakers 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 Weill Cornell Medicine Uris Auditorium	Session 5 – Hereditary Cancer: What's New, What Matters, What's Next 3:45 – 3:55 PM Personalized Breast Cancer Screening Yiwey Shieh, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 3:55 – 4:05 PM Clinical and Research Updates in Hereditary Dermatologic Cancer Anthony Rossi, MD — <i>Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center</i> 4:05 – 4:15 PM Clinical and Research Updates in Hereditary Gynecologic Cancer Janice Kwon, MD, PhD — <i>University of British Columbia</i> 4:15 – 4:45 PM Q&A with Speakers 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 Weill Cornell Medicine Uris Auditorium	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 Weill Cornell Medicine Uris Auditorium	Love, Danielle Movie Night Refreshments, 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM Weill Cornell Medicine Griffis Faculty Club 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 Belfer Research Building 2nd Floor Landing	Registration Check-In Opens
7:00 AM – 8:00 AM Belfer Research Building Room 204 ABC	Exhibit Hall
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM Weill Cornell Medicine Uris Auditorium	Session 7 – Strategies for Hereditary Cancer Prevention and Interception 8:30 – 8:48 AM Breast Cancer Vaccines and Interception Payal Shah, MD — <i>University of Pennsylvania</i> 8:48 – 9:06 AM Cancer Immune Interception in Lynch Syndrome Eduardo Vilar-Sanchez, MD, PhD — <i>UT MD Anderson Cancer Center</i> 9:06 – 9:24 AM Risk-Reducing Salpingectomy Kara Long, MD, MS — <i>Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center</i> 9:24 – 9:42 AM Future of Cascade Testing: Direct Relative Contact and Chatbots Melissa Frey, MD, MS — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 9:42 – 10:00 AM Q&A with Speakers 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 Weill Cornell Medicine Uris Auditorium	Session 8 – The Future of Targeted Cancer Therapy: Innovation and Impact 10:15 – 10:30 AM Ovarian Cancer Targeted Therapy Barbara Norquist, MD — <i>University of Washington</i> 10:30 – 10:45 AM Oncologic Anthropology: Genetic African Ancestry and Breast Cancer Risk Lisa Newman, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 10:45 – 11:00 AM 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> 11:00 – 11:15 AM Prostate Cancer Therapy David Nanus, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 11:15 – 11:30 AM Q&A with Speakers MODERATORS: Melissa Frey, MD, MS · Arielle Nelson, NP · Ivy Duneier, Patient Advocate
11:30 AM – 12:45 PM Weill Cornell Medicine Griffis Faculty Club	Lunch
12:00 PM – 12:30 PM Belfer Research Building Room 204 ABC	Exhibit Hall
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM Weill Cornell Medicine Uris Auditorium	Session 9 - The Value of Cancer Genetics: Cost, Impact, and Future Directions 1:00 – 1:12 PM Cost-Effectiveness of Population-Based Genetic Testing Ranjit Manchanda, MD — <i>Queen Mary University of London</i> 1:12 – 1:24 PM 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> 1:24 – 1:36 PM Cost-Effectiveness in Hereditary Cancer / Genetics Jason Wright, MD — <i>Tufts Medical Center</i> 1:36 – 1:48 PM NCI Initiatives and Future Directions for Research Andrea Burnett-Hartman, PhD, MPH — <i>National Cancer Institute Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences</i> 1:48 – 2:00 PM Q&A with Speakers 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 Weill Cornell Medicine Uris Auditorium 2:15 – 2:27 PM Gastric Cancer Screening in Hereditary Cancer Predisposition Syndromes Bryson Katona, MD, PhD — <i>Penn Medicine</i> 2:27 – 2:39 PM Disparities in Cancer Genetics Eloise Chapman-Davis, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 2:39 – 2:51 PM 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> 2:51 – 3:03 PM Whole Body MRI for Hereditary Cancer Syndromes and Beyond Preethi Guniganti, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 3:03 – 3:15 PM Q&A with Speakers MODERATORS: Natalie Baratta, NP · Enzo Bruscato · Tiffany Graham Charkosky, Patient Advocate Session 10B – Life after Cancer: Navigating Survivorship in Hereditary Cancer Weill Cornell Medicine Griffis Faculty Club 2:15 – 2:30 PM Gynecologic Cancer Survivorship Deanna Gerber, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 2:30 – 2:45 PM Breast Cancer Survivorship and Secondary Malignancy Risk Evelyn Taiwo, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 2:45 – 3:00 PM Genetics-Informed Behavioral Health: From Concept to Clinical Integration Emily Epstein, LMSW — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 3:00 – 3:15 PM Q&A with Speakers MODERATORS: Jeannie Chern, MD · Jennifer Kindman, MD · Tracy Milgram, Patient Advocate
3:15 PM – 3:30 PM	Break

3:30 PM – 5:15 PM	CONCURRENT SESSIONS Session 11A – Centering the Patient Voice: Patient-Reported Outcomes in Hereditary Cancer Weill Cornell Medicine Griffis Faculty Club 3:30 – 3:50 PM Centering Community Voices: Lessons from the PREFER CHW Genomics Research Education Program Caitlin Allen, PhD, MPH — <i>Wake Forest University School of Medicine</i> 3:50 – 4:10 PM A Journey to Improve Hereditary Cancer Risk Assessment Lori Orlando, MD, MHS — <i>Wake Forest University School of Medicine</i> 4:10 – 4:30 PM Impact of Digital Health Approaches to Cancer Genetic Services on Patient Outcomes Kim Kaphingst, ScD, ScM — <i>University of Utah</i> 4:30 – 4:50 PM 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> 4:50 – 5:00 PM Q&A with Speakers MODERATORS: Ravi Sharaf, MD, MS · Shoshana Rosenberg, ScD, MPH Session 11B – Research in Action: Oral Presentations Weill Cornell Medicine Uris Auditorium <i>Oral abstract sessions included at the end of the agenda</i> MODERATORS: Melissa Frey, MD, MS · Madison Miller, MD
5:15 PM – 6:15 PM Belfer Research Building Room 302 ABCD	Poster Session <i>Refreshments will be served</i>

Saturday, Oct. 17

8:00 AM – 4:00 PM Belfer Research Building 2nd Floor Landing	Registration Check-In Open
8:00 AM – 10:10 AM Weill Cornell Medicine Uris Auditorium	Session 12 - Evolving Care: Advances in Hereditary Cancer Syndromes 8:00 – 8:30 AM Pancreatic Cancer Screening Diane Simeone, MD — <i>UC San Diego Health</i> 8:30 – 8:50 AM Li Fraumeni Syndrome Kara Maxwell, MD, PhD — <i>University of Pennsylvania</i> 8:50 – 9:10 AM Patient-Centered Approaches in the Evolving World of Germline Testing for Prostate Cancer Veda Giri, MD — <i>Yale School of Medicine</i> 9:10 – 9:30 AM New Phenotypes, Pathways, and Paradigms in Clinical Cancer Genomics Ken Offit, MD, MPH — <i>Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center</i> 9:30 – 10:10 AM Q&A with Speakers MODERATORS: Ravi Sharaf, MD, MS · Melissa Frey, MD, MS · Vered Stearns, MD
10:10 AM – 10:25 AM	Break
10:25 AM – 11:45 AM Weill Cornell Medicine Uris Auditorium	Session 13 - The Future of Cancer Genetics: What Comes Next? 10:25 – 10:38 AM Personalizing Breast and Ovarian Cancer Risk Prediction for Prevention and Early Detection Antonis Antoniou, PhD, MPhil — <i>University of Cambridge</i> 10:38 – 10:51 AM Liquid Biopsy in Hereditary Cancer Early Detection Raymond Kim, MD — <i>University of Toronto</i> 10:51 – 11:04 AM Use of ctDNA in Cancer Screening and Follow-Up Mark Robson, MD — <i>Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center</i> 11:04 – 11:17 AM Scaling AI for Personalized Cancer Care Adam Yala, PhD — <i>UC Berkeley</i> 11:17 – 11:30 AM Future of Health Equity in Cancer Genetics Kemi Babagbemi, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 11:30 – 11:45 AM Q&A with Speakers MODERATORS: Marina Corines, MD · Melissa Frey, MD, MS · Michelle Primiano, MS, CGC
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM Weill Cornell Medicine Griffis Faculty Club	Lunch

12:15 PM – 1:00 PM Belfer Research Building Room 204 ABC	Exhibit Hall
1:30 PM – 2:45 PM Weill Cornell Medicine Uris Auditorium	Session 14 - Closing the Gap in Cancer Genetic Testing 1:30 – 1:40 PM Cascade Genetic Testing with a Focus on Health Equity Jose Alejandro Rau-Hain, MD — <i>UT MD Anderson Cancer Center</i> 1:40 – 1:50 PM Combination of Obstetric and Cancer Genetic Screening - Are We Ready? Shayan Dioun, MD — <i>Columbia University Medical Center</i> 1:50 – 2:00 PM GARDE-Chat: Open-Source Platform for Healthcare Chatbots Guilherme Del Fiol, MD — <i>University of Utah</i> 2:00 – 2:10 PM Population Based Cancer Risk Assessment Ravi Sharaf, MD, MS — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 2:10 – 2:20 PM Leveraging Technology for Universal Germline Genetic Testing Heather Hampel, MS, CGC — <i>City of Hope</i> 2:20 – 2:30 PM Training the Workforce in Cancer Genetics Kathy Blazer, EdD, MS, CGC — <i>City of Hope</i> 2:30 – 2:45 PM Q&A with Speakers MODERATORS: Roni Nitecki, MD, MPH · Jovana Lekovich, MD · Sue Friedman, Patient Advocate (FORCE)
2:45 PM – 3:00 PM	Break
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM Weill Cornell Medicine Uris Auditorium	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 · Emily Epstein, LMSW · Sue Friedman, Patient Advocate (FORCE)
4:00 PM – 4:15 PM	Break
4:15 PM – 5:15 PM Weill Cornell Medicine Uris Auditorium	Session 16 – Closing Reflections: Hereditary Cancer, Where Are We Now and Where Are We Going? 4:15 – 4:30 PM The Next Era of Whole Genome Sequencing Omar Abdul-Rahman, MD — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> 4:30 – 4:45 PM Engaging Patient Stakeholders in Hereditary Cancer Research: Why, When and How? Sue Friedman, Patient Advocate — <i>FORCE</i> 4:45 – 5:15 PM Building a Comprehensive Cancer Prevention Program & Closing Remarks Melissa Frey, MD, MS — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> Ravi Sharaf, MD, MS — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i> Michelle Primiano, MS, CGC — <i>Weill Cornell Medicine</i>

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