

Patient Ambassador Program

Peritoneal Surface
Malignancy Program

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Newsletter

Additional Resources:

The PMP Pals Network

UC San Diego Health and the Moores Cancer Center promote a multidisciplinary approach to patient care. Our institution's mission is to save lives by transforming cancer prevention, detection and care. With this multidisciplinary

Ambassador Program also recognizes the benefits of collaborating with other teams who have similar visions as our own.

One of these groups is called PMP Pals. They are a group that focuses on supporting

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approach, we feel it necessary to provide outlets in which patients can find the kind of support they desire. Among these outlets, we want to provide emotional and social support to help improve our patients' quality of life. The fight against cancer is a team approach, and we want to provide the best options for each of our patients. With our mission in focus, we use our resources to provide various options. The Patient

patients and their caregivers who are fighting appendix cancer. They offer a wide spectrum of activities and programs that focus on providing emotional support for their patients. Some of our own ambassadors have teamed up with PMP Pals in a collaborative effort to reach as many patients who require support. We want to be able to foster these efforts in order to provide our patients with various options regarding

Topics



- Additional Resources: The PMP Pals Network
- PMP Pals Network 2016 Annual Conference

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their care. We want to make sure that along with specialized medical care, we are also working to provide the means for overall well-being. PMP Pals also aims to connect patients and caregivers with one another. Some of these programs include a number of outlets where patients can find information regarding the latest treatment and research efforts surrounding appendix cancer. In September of 2015, UC San Diego Health held its first PMP/Appendix Cancer Symposium, where many of our patients were in attendance. It was a live forum for our community to get together and listen to our experts share their progress in the effort to fight appendix cancer. We received positive feedback and many inquiries regarding when the next symposium will be held. The PMP Pals organization also announced they will be holding a conference on October 8th & 9th, 2016 with similar objectives regarding the fight against appendix cancer (details included in the following section). One of our doctors will also be presenting at the conference to share his expertise.

We hope with our collaborative efforts, we are able to deliver all levels of support to our patients and caregiving community.

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PMP Pals Network: 2016 Annual Conference

The PMP Pals Network 2016 Annual Conference will take place in beautiful Monterey, California on October 8th & 9th, 2016. On Saturday, there will be dinner at Massaro & Santos Restaurant from 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM, followed by the conference at the Bayonet & Black Horse golf course on Sunday from 9:00 AM -3:00 PM. The cost for the event is \$75 (each individual will purchase their own dinner at Massaro & Santos). The conference includes a fabulous breakfast and lunch that will exceed your expectations and meet all dietary needs. At the conference, you'll find fellowship with other patients and caregivers, hear about the latest research and advances in treatment and enjoy stories of hope and inspiration.

Agenda: PMP Pals is excited to present world famous author, radio show host and cancer survivor Anna Renault who will be sharing her inspirational story. Anna manages to be bright and positive despite being told she has cancer on 9 separate occasions. We're proud to say she'll be sharing her secrets for success with us all!

In addition, we'll also have presentations from:

- Dr. Joel Baumgartner, MD, HIPEC specialist, from UCSD who will share the latest findings about discoveries around the genomics of PMP
- Dr. Arthur Rettig, retired pediatric surgeon, from PMP Pals "Ask Arthur"
- The Appendix Cancer / Pseudomyxoma Peritonei Research Foundation will explain how they power innovation and research, and also stories of hope
- Plus many more!

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