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New Deputy Director Named at The Cancer Institute of New Jersey
Director of Education and Training, Plainsboro Resident Tapped for Prominent Post

New Brunswick, N.J., June 6, 2008 – A Plainsboro resident has been named to serve as the new Deputy Director at The Cancer Institute of New Jersey (CINJ). Edmund C. Lattime, Ph.D., professor of surgery at UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, was recently tapped for the position by CINJ Interim Director, Joseph R. Bertino, M.D. CINJ is a Center of Excellence of UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School.

Dr. Lattime joined CINJ in 1998 following faculty appointments first at Memorial Sloan Kettering and then at the Kimmel Cancer Center at Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia. His laboratory and clinical studies focus on tumor immunology, gene therapy and the development of vaccines for cancer treatment. As deputy director, he will be responsible for continuing the development of the research programs at CINJ.

Dr. Bertino, who also is a university professor of medicine and pharmacology at UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, notes, “Dr. Lattime has the experience and knowledge to make this a seamless transition.” Lattime replaces Arnold Rabson, M.D., who is serving as the interim director of the Child Health Institute of New Jersey at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School.

While research is a main component of his work, Lattime also serves as the associate director for Education and Training at CINJ and is responsible for coordinating numerous seminar series and continuing medical education opportunities including the *Governor’s Conference on Effective Partnering in Cancer Research*, which was started in 2003, with the goal of raising the visibility of cancer research in New Jersey. He also co-chairs the Annual Retreat on Cancer Research in New Jersey, which encourages leading experts in the basic science and clinical aspects of cancer to join together to share their work with each other and the public. Both events are held in collaboration with the New Jersey Commission on Cancer Research.

Lattime currently chairs the National Cancer Institute’s Cancer Immunopathology and Immunotherapy grant review panel. He has authored over 100 scientific publications and is the editor of “Gene Therapy of Cancer,” the Elsevier book currently in its second edition.

About The Cancer Institute of New Jersey

The Cancer Institute of New Jersey is the state’s first and only National Cancer Institute-designated Comprehensive Cancer Center, and is dedicated to improving the prevention, detection, treatment and care of patients with cancer. CINJ’s physician-scientists engage in translational research, transforming their laboratory discoveries into clinical practice quite literally bringing research to life. The Cancer Institute of New Jersey is a center of excellence of UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School. To support CINJ, please call the Cancer Institute of New Jersey Foundation at 1-888-333-CINJ.

The Cancer Institute of New Jersey Network is comprised of hospitals throughout the state and provides a mechanism to rapidly disseminate important discoveries into the community. Partner Hospital: Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital. Affiliate Hospitals: Bayshore Community Hospital, CentraState Healthcare System, Cooper University Hospital*, Jersey Shore University Medical Center, JFK Medical Center, Morristown Memorial Hospital, Overlook Hospital, Raritan Bay Medical Center, Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at Hamilton (CINJ-Hamilton), Saint Peter's University Hospital, Somerset Medical Center, Southern Ocean County Hospital, The University Hospital/UMDNJ-New Jersey Medical School*, and University Medical Center at Princeton. *Academic Affiliate

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