

## **RUTGERS CANCER INSTITUTE OF NEW JERSEY CLINICAL ASSOCIATE MEMBER**

Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey is supported by the State of New Jersey to improve the standard of oncology care for all New Jersey residents and increase access to and participation in cancer clinical trials. By their close association with Rutgers Cancer Institute or RWJBarnabas Health, Clinical Associate (CA) Members support our mission to conduct innovative basic, clinical and population research and cutting-edge patient-centered care that expands our understanding of the etiology and biology of cancer; facilitate the rapid translation of laboratory-based discoveries into human studies; develop new approaches and interventions for cancer prevention that decrease cancer incidence and mortality; and develop new and better therapies to decrease suffering and mortality from cancer.

A Clinical Associate Member is an oncologist (medical, surgical, radiation) or oncology-related clinician (other specialty with demonstrable cancer focus), dedicated to the mission of Rutgers Cancer Institute, and credentialed by and having active staff privileges at a RWJBarnabas Health system institution or other clinical affiliate institution of Rutgers Cancer Institute. Oncologists dedicated to the mission of Rutgers Cancer Institute who do not having active staff privileges at a RWJBarnabas Health system institution or other clinical affiliate institution of Rutgers Cancer Institute will be considered for Clinical Associate Membership on a case-by-case basis.

### **Clinical Associate Members:**

- Employ evidence-based treatment protocols as related to the treatment of cancer patients
- Participate in Rutgers Cancer Institute tumor boards (minimum of two per year)
- Maintain familiarity with the clinical trial portfolio of Rutgers Cancer Institute
- As appropriate to the best interest of the patient, consult and engage with colleagues at Rutgers Cancer Institute for clinical assessment and evaluation for eligibility for clinical trial enrollment
- Participate in annual Clinical Associate Member surveys and assist Rutgers Cancer Institute in its strategy and service planning efforts

### **Benefits of Membership**

- Second opinion hotline and virtual consults
- Opportunities to attend Rutgers Cancer Institute-sponsored retreats, lectures, and seminars
- Eligibility for assistance from Rutgers Cancer Institute in public media announcements of clinical achievements
- Listing on the Rutgers Cancer Institute website and added to the listserv for cancer center

announcements

- Collaboration with the Rutgers Cancer Institute patient navigation program

Clinical Associate Members must be approved by the Rutgers Cancer Institute Associate Director for Clinical Services.

To apply for Clinical Associate Membership, contact Chris Ponce, Management Assistant, Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey at: [cp943@cinj.rutgers.edu](mailto:cp943@cinj.rutgers.edu)