The Cancer Institute of New Jersey provides comprehensive genetic counseling and cancer risk assessment for individuals with a personal and/or family history of cancer.

To arrange an appointment with the HOPE Program, please call 732/235-7110. You will also find more information on our web site: http://www.cinj.org/treatment/life_center.html

Cancer genetic counseling helps individuals and families:
- Recognize the role family history plays in cancer risk;
- Learn more about their personal cancer risk;
- Realize when genetic testing is appropriate;
- Understand medical options available to manage cancer risk; and
- Choose individually appropriate medical strategies.

The Hereditary Oncology Prevention and Evaluation Program (HOPE Program) at The Cancer Institute of New Jersey provides genetic counseling and risk assessment at the Cancer Institute of New Jersey.
Program is designed for anyone who is concerned about their risk to develop cancer based on his or her family history of cancer, or his or her own personal medical history.

It is especially helpful for families with:

- Individuals diagnosed with cancer at a younger age than the average in the general population, typically less than age 50;
- Several individuals with the same type of cancer, or related cancers (such as breast cancer and ovarian cancer, or colon cancer and endometrial cancer);
- At least two generations affected with cancer and/or pre-cancerous lesions;
- Several individuals with less common types of cancer (such as pancreatic cancer or ovarian cancer); or
- An individual who has had several different types of cancer.

If this describes you or your family member(s), please discuss genetic counseling with your health care provider.

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Follow up visits may be necessary based on the discussion and recommendations at your initial appointment. Most insurance companies will cover the cost of the initial genetic counseling appointment, and many will cover the cost of genetic testing if it is medically indicated. Any specific questions or concerns can be addressed during your appointment.