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**DR. IAN SCHNADIG JOINS NORTHWEST CANCER SPECIALISTS**

**PORTLAND, Ore., July 22, 2010** – Dr. Ian Schnadig, a medical oncologist and hematologist with 5 years of expertise in prostate cancer and other genitourinary malignancies, joins Northwest Cancer Specialists this month. He'll serve patients in NCS's Meridian Park Office in Tualatin. Northwest Cancer Specialists (NCS) is a leading provider of cancer care in the Portland-Vancouver metropolitan area and is affiliated with US Oncology, supporting the nation's foremost cancer treatment and research network to accelerate the availability of and use of evidence-based medicine and shared best practices.

"Hiring and retaining the highest caliber physicians is a top priority for Northwest Cancer Specialists and helps us provide cutting edge community-based cancer care," said Dr. Gregory Patton, practice president of Northwest Cancer Specialists. "Dr. Schnadig shares our vision of providing comprehensive, patient-centered care and will be an asset as we seek to expand our focus on prostate cancer and genitourinary malignancies."

Schnadig received his medical degree from Rush Medical College at Rush University Medical Center in his home town of Chicago. He discovered the Portland area during his internship at Oregon Health & Science University and left briefly to join an oncology and hematology practice in New Mexico.

"I'm thrilled to be back in Oregon, working with Northwest Cancer Specialists, one of the most established practices in the region," said Schnadig. "Our focus on treating the whole patient, not just the disease, along with our world-class clinical trials program, allows NCS to customize treatment options for patients. This commitment to individualized care sets NCS apart."

In addition to participating in clinical trial research, Schnadig will build a practice with a focus on prostate cancer. He sits on the Genitourinary Cancer Committee at US Oncology and is a member of the American Society of Clinical Oncology, American Urological Association, American Society of Hematology, American Medical Association, and the Oregon Medical Association. He has been an investigator on a number of national prostate cancer clinical trials in both Oregon and New Mexico. He has been published in the area of advanced prostate cancer, gastrointestinal stromal tumors and outcomes research in advanced solid tumors.



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**About Northwest Cancer Specialists**

Northwest Cancer Specialists is a regional oncology and hematology practice with a dedicated team of over 40 medical oncologists, hematologists, gynecologic oncologists and radiation oncologists seeing patients at seven locations in the Portland-Vancouver metropolitan area.

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