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LOCAL CANCER CENTERS UNITE TO SUPPORT NATIONAL CANCER SURVIVORS DAY®

*Legacy Cancer Services, Providence Cancer Center, OHSU Knight Cancer Institute and
Northwest Cancer Specialists join forces in a celebration of life*

PORTLAND, Ore., May 20, 2010 – Join us Sunday, June 6 from 2:00 – 4:00 pm at the World Forestry Center’s Miller Hall for the 23rd annual national celebration of life for cancer survivors of all ages, their friends, families and healthcare providers. Refreshments will be provided along with creative and wellness activities for all including: live music; raffle prizes; chair massages; special guest appearances and fun-filled activities for children. There is no cost to attend. For more information, please visit, [Cancer Survivors Day - Portland](#).

National Cancer Survivors Day® is an annual, worldwide celebration that is held in hundreds of communities throughout the United States, Canada, and other participating countries. Participants unite in a symbolic event to show the world that life after a cancer diagnosis can be meaningful and productive.

“It is a privilege to share in the joy and camaraderie of this day and honor survivors for their courage, determination and honesty,” said Selma Annala, Supervisor Legacy Cancer Healing Center. “Healthcare providers are recognizing more and more the complex needs after cancer treatment, and how continuing education, access to local community resources and survivorship programs are invaluable to anyone who has been touched by cancer.”

[Legacy Health](#) is an Oregon-based nonprofit, which provides an integrated network of healthcare services, including acute and critical care, inpatient and outpatient treatment, community health education and a variety of specialty services. Legacy Cancer Services offers a full spectrum of state-of-the-art treatment options (for adults and children) and the resources to help patients through all stages of illness and beyond.

[Providence Cancer Center](#), a part of Providence Health & Services, offers the latest in cancer services, including diagnosis, treatment, prevention, education, support and internationally renowned research. Scientists and clinicians are leading the way on efforts to develop immune-based therapies and other new treatments for diseases such as lung cancer, breast cancer, melanoma, prostate cancer, kidney cancer, lymphoma and testicular cancer.

With the latest treatments, technologies, hundreds of research studies and approximately 400 clinical trials, the [OHSU Knight Cancer Institute](#) is the only clinical cancer center between Sacramento and Seattle designated by the National Cancer Institute — an honor earned only by the nation's top cancer centers. The honor is shared among the more than 650 doctors, nurses, scientists and staff who work together at the OHSU Knight Cancer Institute to reduce the impact of cancer.

[Northwest Cancer Specialists](#) (NCS) provides state-of-the-art, comprehensive care for patients with cancer or diseases of the blood at their seven treatment facilities in the Portland-Vancouver community. NCS physicians are specially trained and board certified in the fields of medical oncology, hematology, radiation oncology and gynecologic oncology.

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