UCSF Helen Diller Family Comprehensive Cancer Center

Fallopian Tube Cancer

The UCSF Patient and Family Cancer Support Center is the hub of support, information and resources for people with cancer at the Helen Diller Family Comprehensive Cancer Center. Learn more about UCSF's supportive care programs at https://cancer.ucsf.edu/support/crc/patientsupport-center

The Cancer Support Center at Mission Bay is located at 1825 4th St., 1st Floor, Room M-1210. The Cancer Support Center at Mt. Zion is located at 1600 Divisadero St., 1st Floor, Room B-101. The complete list of Patient Education Resource Pages is available to view at http://cancer.ucsf.edu/support/crc/patient-education-resources

Overview

Fallopian tube cancer, also known as tubal cancer, develops in the fallopian tubes that connect the ovaries and the uterus. It is very rare and accounts for only 1 percent to 2 percent of all gynecologic cancers. About 1,500 to 2,000 cases of fallopian tube cancer have been reported worldwide. Approximately 300 to 400 women are diagnosed with the condition annually in the United States. It is more common for cancer to spread, or metastasize, from other parts of the body, such as the ovaries or endometrium, than for cancer to actually originate in the fallopian tubes. Fallopian tube cancer typically affects women between the ages of 50 and 60, although it can occur at any age. It is more common in Caucasian women who have had few or no children. Because this cancer is so rare, little is known about what causes it. However, researchers are investigating whether genetics play a role. There is evidence that women who have inherited the gene linked to breast and ovarian cancer, called BRCA1, are also at an increased risk of developing fallopian tube cancer. Learn more information about signs, symptoms, diagnosis, treatment, and resources at the link provided. Website: https://www.ucsfhealth.org/conditions/fallopian-tube-cancer

UCSF Resources

UCSF Gynecologic Oncology Center

The UCSF Gynecologic Oncology Center offers innovative, compassionate care in a supportive environment. Our team – which includes gynecologic cancer surgeons, radiation specialists and specially trained nurses – provides screening exams, diagnostic imaging and treatments such as surgery and radiation. We also offer expert advice on the latest therapies, as well as education and other services. Genetic counseling for high-risk families is also available. We have three locations in the Bay Area to make patient visits as convenient as possible. Website: https://www.ucsfhealth.org/clinics/gynecologic-oncology-center | Phone Number: (415) 353-9600

Publications

American Cancer Society: "Sex and the Woman with Cancer"
Website: http://www.cancer.org/treatment/treatments-and-side-effects/physical-side-effects/fertility-and-sexual-side-effects/sexuality-for-women-with-cancer.html

American Cancer Society (ACS) – Ovarian Cancer
At the American Cancer Society, we are on a mission to free the world from cancer. Until we do, we will be funding and conducting research, sharing expert information, supporting patients, and spreading the word about prevention. All so you can live longer — and better. Website: https://www.cancer.org/cancer/ovarian-cancer.html | Phone Number: 800.227.2345

Cancer.Net - Fallopian Tube Cancer
This is Cancer.Net's Guide to Ovarian, Fallopian Tube, and Peritoneal Cancer
Website: https://www.cancer.net/cancer-types/ovarian-fallopian-tube-and-peritoneal-cancer

National Cancer Institute – Fallopian Tube Cancer
"Ovarian, Fallopian Tube, and Primary Peritoneal Cancer"
Website: http://www.cancer.gov/types/ovarian

National Comprehensive Cancer Network– Fallopian Tube Cancer
NCCN Guidelines for Patients – Ovarian Cancer/Fallopian Tube Cancer/Primary Peritoneal Cancer" Website: https://www.nccn.org/guidelines/guidelines-detail?category=1&id=1473

OncoLink – Fallopian Tube Cancer
OncoLink was the first cancer information website on the Internet, started in 1994, and remains one of the largest. Website: https://www.oncolink.org/cancers/gynecologic/fallopian-tube-cancer/all-about-fallopian-tube-cancer

Organizations

Bay Area Cancer Connections
BACC helps people with breast and ovarian cancers. Services include a helpline, buddy programs, pro-bono counseling, a wig boutique, financial assistance, information and support groups. Located in Palo Alto, but services are available to anyone. All services are free.
Website: https://www.bayareacancer.org/ | Phone Number: 650-326-6686
Foundation for Women's Cancer

FWC's mission is to bring together all communities of advocates, patients, caregivers, partners and the healthcare team to eradicate or lessen the impact of gynecologic cancer. We will achieve this through research, education and public awareness. They provide comprehensive educational materials about all gynecologic cancers. They also provide information about coping, caregiving, supportive care, clinical trials and more. FWC has webinars and recordings with a wide variety of educational material. Website: http://www.foundationforwomenscancer.org/ | Phone Number: 312-578-1439

National LGBT Cancer Network

The National LGBT Cancer Network works to improve the lives of LGBT cancer survivors and those at risk by: EDUCATING the LGBT community about our increased cancer risks and the importance of screening and early detection; TRAINING health care providers to offer more culturally-competent, safe and welcoming care; and ADVOCATING for LGBT survivors in mainstream cancer organizations, the media and research.
Website: https://cancer-network.org | Phone Number: 212-675-2633

National Ovarian Cancer Coalition

The mission of the NOCC is to save lives through the prevention and cure of ovarian cancer and to improve quality of life for survivors and their caregivers. They provide stories of inspiration, ways to honor a loved one, informational resources, and support for caregivers, newly diagnosed, and those whose cancer has returned. Website: http://www.ovarian.org | Phone Number: 888-682-7426

Ovarian Cancer Research Fund Alliance

OCRA advances ovarian cancer research while supporting women and their families. They have events such as conferences, ovarian fitness (ovarian cycle), advocacy days, and more. They provide informational material on cervical cancer and clinical trials, peer support, community partners programs, and ways to honor a loved one. Website: https://ocrahope.org/ | Phone Number: 866-399-6262

Sharsheret

For Jewish women facing breast or ovarian cancer. Informative, educational website and national events. Website: www.sharsheret.org | Phone Number: 866-474-2774

The Society of Gynecologic Oncology

Their mission is to prevent and treat gynecologic cancers with equity, thereby improving lives through advocacy, engagement, education, research, and collaboration. They provide recent news and information on gynecologic cancers, professional development information, peer support, and online communities. Website: https://www.sgo.org