

# **CHEMOTHERAPY & INFUSION CENTER**

AT ROSWELL PARK CANCER INSTITUTE



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## OUR PROMISE TO YOU

At Roswell Park, your chemotherapy and infusion treatment regimen will be delivered safely by an oncology nursing team with critical expertise and will focus on what's best for you at all times.

# **Expertise**

Our skilled nursing staff, with special training in administering chemotherapy and other cancer treatments, will implement the exact treatment plan developed by your Roswell Park physician and pharmacist.

The knowledge and skill of your chemotherapy nurses ensures safe handling and proper delivery of these powerful drugs.

# **Your Experience**

We will provide your treatments with compassion and respect and make your comfort during treatment our priority.



## **About** Chemotherapy

More than 100 chemotherapy agents are used to treat cancer, either alone or in combination with other drugs and treatments. Your Roswell Park physician team will prescribe specific drugs, their dose, the number of treatments and duration of your therapy based on your individual circumstance—your cancer type and stage, and your health before treatment.

You may get chemotherapy every day, week or month. Each treatment period will be followed by a rest period (no treatment) to allow your body to recover and build new healthy cells.

### **Getting Infusion Treatments**

These treatments, including most chemotherapy and immunotherapy, deliver the drugs directly into your bloodstream through a vein in your hand or arm, or through a port, where a pump controls the drug's infusion. Some chemotherapy drugs are injected under the skin. Chemotherapy and immunotherapy are often called systemic therapies because the drugs circulate through your whole body system.

Treatment sessions can take from 30 minutes to 10 hours, depending on the specific drugs involved, their dose and how they must be administered. Treatments that take longer than 10 hours are provided at an inpatient area of the hospital.

#### **What to Expect on Treatment Days**

Your day will begin with blood work in our phlebotomy area, conveniently located within the Chemotherapy & Infusion Center. Your results, expected within an hour, will determine whether you're healthy enough to have treatment that day. If so, you'll be assigned a treatment chair and a nurse who will review your wellbeing, answer any questions, initiate your therapy, and tend to your needs and comfort for the duration of your treatment. After your session, you'll be discharged home. We will check in with you by phone within a few days to see how you're doing at home.



## What Sets Us Apart

**National Recognition.** Roswell Park is a National Cancer Institute-designated Comprehensive Cancer Center, the only one in the state outside of New York City.

**Comprehensive Supportive Services** including physical and occupational therapy, lymphedema care, pain management, counseling, social work and pastoral care to address physical, emotional and spiritual symptoms associated with cancer.

**On-site Phlebotomy and Pharmacy** within the center ensures expedient lab results and drug delivery.

**Nursing Expertise** of our staff who have special training in administering chemotherapy and other treatments.

#### For Your Comfort





Individual TVs with internet access for each patient



#### **Appointments**

The **Chemotherapy & Infusion Center** is open 7 days a week. We take appointments from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays; 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. on weekends.



**Parking** 

Park in our safe and convenient parking RoswellPark.org/become-a-patient garage directly across the street.

#### **Contact Us**

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