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CANCER CONNECTIONS

Connecting patients and community to the cancer resources and updates in North Central Washington.



- Dr. Amith Ahluwalia
- Dr. Robert Fein

We would like to welcome Dr. Amith Ahluwalia (MD, Medical Oncology) and Dr Robert Fain (MD, Radiation Oncology) to our Confluence Health Oncology Team!

Amith is originally from Victoria, British Columbia. He attended medical school at Saint Georges University in Grenada and New Jersey. He then completed his residency in Internal Medicine with Rutgers in Trinitas Regional Medical center in New Jersey. After residency Amith went on to complete fellowships in Hematology, Oncology, and Palliative Care at Memorial Sloan Kettering and the Brooklyn Hospital in New York City. During his free time, he loves hockey, movies, and traveling. Amith will be primarily based in Wenatchee with outreach clinics in Moses Lake.

Robert is originally from Montana. He attended medical school at Oregon Health & Science University in Portland, Oregon, and then completed residency at Medical College of Wisconsin in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. During his free time, he loves spending time with his family and in the outdoors. Robert will be primarily based in Wenatchee with outreach clinics in Moses Lake. *cont. next page*



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"I am excited to join the team at Confluence Health. I look forward to working with a high caliber multidisciplinary group and delivering top notch, evidence-based medicine, to patients in Washington. I feel blessed for being given the opportunity to practice in the Wenatchee and Moses Lake communities and aim to positively impact each and everyone of my patient's lives in one way or another." ~ Dr. Robert Fain III

"My name is Amith Ahluwalia, I grew up in the Pacific Northwest, and for the past 10 years have been longing to return to this area. I feel very fortunate to have moved to such a beautiful town with amazing people. I look forward to the opportunity to taking care of the population here in Wenatchee as well as meeting and taking care of the community in Moses Lake. I am also an avid hockey fan and look forward to being at many Wenatchee Wild games this year." ~Dr. Amith Ahluwalia

MOSES LAKE RADIATION ONCOLOGY UPDATE

After years of planning and community collaboration we have made it. We are thrilled to extend a special invitation to you for the Grand Opening Celebration of Confluence Health's new Radiation Oncology Treatment Center in Moses Lake. Your incredible support and generosity have played a pivotal role in making this dream a reality, and we would be honored to have you join us for this momentous occasion.

- Date: October 7th, 2023
- Time: 10am – 12pm
- Location: 905 E. Hill Ave, Moses Lake, WA 98837

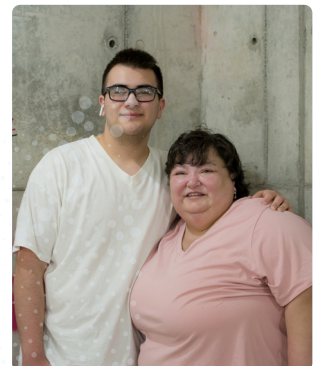
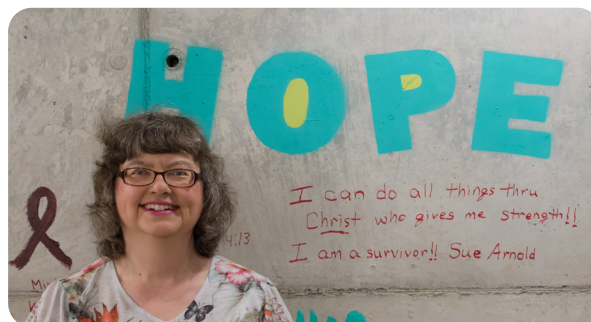
We sincerely hope you can join us in celebrating this significant milestone. Your continued support fuels our commitment to making a lasting impact in our community.

Regards, Spencer



The invitation card features a dark blue background with a white mountain range silhouette at the top. In the top left corner is the Confluence Health Foundation logo, and in the top right is the Columbia Basin Cancer Foundation logo. The text is centered and reads: "Confluence Health & the Columbia Basin Cancer Foundation would like to invite you to the Grand Opening Moses Lake Radiation Oncology Center Saturday, October 7, 2023 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. 905 E. Hill Ave, Moses Lake, WA 98837". A large, stylized white ribbon graphic is positioned at the bottom right of the card.

WRITTEN IN STONE EVENT



COMMUNITY PARTNER SPOTLIGHT

Cancer Care of North Central Washington: Our House



- Cancer Care of North Central Washington invites you to mark your calendars for September 16th, 2-4 pm, as we commemorate our 30th Anniversary at the LocalTel Event Center in Pybus Public Market.
- Learn the incredible story behind Our House, a hospitality house for cancer patients in Wenatchee, founded by the inspiring Oncology nurse, Betsy Tontini, and her fellow co-founders Kate Brantner (formerly Karen Pell) and Mary Lowe. This event features refreshments, a short program with Dave Shanley as emcee, and speakers Dr. David Notter, Dr. Nicolas Kummer, and Jeff Tontini.
- Before the main event, join us for the Cancer Care NCW Community Cancer Walk from 12 - 2 pm at Wenatchee Riverfront Park, a collaborative experience hosted by Cancer Care of North Central Washington & Confluence Health. Learn about cancer prevention and screening, stroll through the inflatable colon, and collect stamps for fun prizes (while supplies last). Wear your best wacky or fun socks for this fun, informational walk at your own pace.
- RSVP Now: bit.ly/CancerCareNCWCelebration





JOIN US EARLY FOR THE CANCER CARE NCW COMMUNITY CANCER WALK

12 PM - 2 PM
WENATCHEE RIVERFRONT PARK
(STARTS BY PYBUS MARKET)

*A Collaborative Experience Hosted by
Confluence Health & Cancer Care of NCW*

Cancer Prevention & Screening Booths

Wear Your Best **Wacky/Fun Socks!**

Collect Stamps for Fun Prizes

(while supplies last)

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PLEASE JOIN
CANCER CARE OF NCW
TO CELEBRATE 30 YEARS OF CARING

Saturday, September 16th

2 - 4 PM

Pybus Public Market

3 N Worthen St, Wenatchee WA

Speakers, Hors d'oeuvres and Refreshments

RSVP ONLINE: [CancerCareNCW.com/30thAnniversary](https://www.CancerCareNCW.com/30thAnniversary)
OR BY PHONE: 509-663-6964

Employee spotlight



RN Navigation Oncology

Oncology nurse navigation. What is it and how does it help to bridge patient care?

Oncology nurse navigators are clinically trained nurses responsible for the identification and removal of barriers to timely and appropriate cancer treatment. Navigators help to guide patients through the continuum of their cancer care from diagnosis to survivorship.

More specially the nurse navigator acts as a central point of contact for the patient and coordinates all components of their cancer care including surgery, medical and radiation oncology; social support; education; community support; financial and insurance assistance.

Currently we have 7 full time nurse navigators and 2 part time navigators. 7 nurse navigators in Wenatchee, 1 in Moses Lake and 1 in Omak. Moses Lake and Omak staff cover all patients at their specific locations Wenatchee staff is currently divided by disease process as below:

- Breast
- Lung/Upper GI tract/Head and Neck/Brain/Skin/Sarcoma/Unknown primary
- Heme malignancy
- GU/GYN
- Lower GI tract
- It is proven that, with focus on timely work up and therapy initiation, oncology nurse navigators have an important role within the cancer care continuum.

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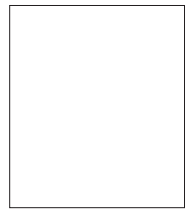
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And many more!

