

## **About Cancer Treatment Centers of America**

### ***What is Cancer Treatment Centers of America?***

Cancer Treatment Centers of America (CTCA) is a network of innovative cancer treatment hospitals and an outpatient oncology clinic.

CTCA provides a comprehensive, whole-person approach to cancer treatment by integrating leading-edge conventional treatments such as; surgery, chemotherapy and radiation, with innovative supportive therapies such as; naturopathic medicine, nutrition, oncology rehabilitation, psycho-social counseling, spiritual support and pain management.

The renowned cancer physicians who treat patients at CTCA work alongside specialized clinicians and other medical professionals “under one roof”. They collaborate to treat not just cancer, but the whole person, in compassionate, respectful and hopeful ways that fulfill the comprehensive needs of patients.

Patients and caregivers are positioned at the center of their own care team, through Patient Empowerment Medicine<sup>SM</sup> (PEM). PEM is a model of care that encourages patients to voice their opinions and preferences – and they are heard. CTCA patients participate in treatment decision-making, and their choices are respected.

CTCA has a guiding principle in the hospitals called the Mother Standard<sup>®</sup>. This warm, nurturing approach is carried out by all of CTCA, caring for patients in a way they would want their own mothers to be cared for.

### ***History of Cancer Treatment Centers of America***

Cancer Treatment Centers of America (CTCA) was created in 1988, but the origin of our treatment philosophy goes back to the early 1980s, following the tragic death from cancer of our founder’s mother, Mary Brown Stephenson.

When Mrs. Stephenson battled to overcome her cancer in the 1970’s, Mr. Stephenson expected she would receive the most advanced treatment available; but, like many loved ones of cancer patients, he was disappointed when he found there was no “gold standard” for cancer care. Unlike others, Richard turned his frustration into action. He felt that no one should have to endure the insensitive experience that preceded his mother’s death. He embarked on a mission to find the most advanced and effective treatment available, hoping that this efforts would enable his mother to recover and remain an integral, irreplaceable part of his life and lives of his children.

In 1988, CTCA came to life. Today, the network of treatment facilities includes hospitals in Zion, Illinois; Tulsa, Oklahoma; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and a comprehensive care program in Seattle, Washington.

***Cancer Treatment Centers of America***

***Our Vision***

To be recognized and trusted by people living with cancer as the premier center for healing and hope.

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***Cancer Treatment Centers of America***

***Our Mission***

CTCA is the home of integrative and compassionate cancer care.

We never stop searching for and providing powerful and innovative therapies to heal the whole person, improve quality of life and restore hope.

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***Cancer Treatment Centers of America***

***Our Values***

Hopeful  
Compassionate  
Empowering  
Ethical  
Responsive  
Innovative  
Team-Spirited

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***Cancer Treatment Centers of America***

***Our Promise***

You and your healing are at the center of our hearts, minds and actions, every day.

We rally our team around you, delivering compassionate, integrative cancer care for your body, mind and spirit.

We offer clear information, powerful and thorough treatment options, all based on your needs.

We honor your courage, respect your decisions, and offer to share your journey of healing and hope.

***Cancer Treatment Centers of America Hospitals***



CTCA at Midwestern Regional Medical Center  
2520 Elisha Avenue  
Zion, IL 60099



CTCA at Southwestern Regional Medical Center  
10109 East 79<sup>th</sup> Street  
Tulsa, OK 74133



CTCA at Eastern Regional Medical Center  
1331 E. Wyoming Avenue  
Philadelphia, PA 19124



Seattle Cancer Treatment and Wellness Center  
122 16<sup>th</sup> Ave. East  
Seattle, WA 98112



CTCA at Western Regional Medical Center will open in Phoenix, Arizona in the Winter, 2008

### ***Cancer Treatment Centers of America - In The News***

Periodically, Cancer Treatment Centers of America and our patients' stories of inspiration and hope, get published or broadcast in the news. As Cancer Fighters, we think that you will find this information valuable and want to make sure we provide you with the most up to date news.

Each month, the Cancer Fighters team will send you copies of any meaningful news coverage we have received. Please keep these in your binder as a resource for your participation in the Patient-to-Patient Network.