

Genetic Counseling: Germline Predisposition to Hematopoietic Malignancies

Northwestern Medicine Palos Hospital St. George Foundation Continuing Education Series

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Dr. Godley is the Jeffrey and Marianne Silver Family Professor of Oncology in the Department of Medicine, Hematology and Oncology. She relocated to Northwestern University in May 2023, where she runs a research laboratory focused on understanding how germline predisposition alleles in DDX41, CHEK2 and BRCA1/2 contribute to individual and family risk of developing hematopoietic malignancies. Dr. Godley co-chairs the Myeloid Malignancy Variant Curation Expert Panel, which has provided RUNX1 variant curation rules in use throughout the world and is currently developing similar rules for GATA2 and DDX41.

Nicholas Janowski, MS, LCGC, is a licensed and certified genetic counselor at Northwestern Medicine St. George Cancer Institute. He completed his undergraduate education at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and earned his master's degree in Genetic Counseling from Wayne State University School of Medicine. He practiced genetic counseling in oncology for four and a half years at the Mercy Health System in Rockford and joined the Oncology department at St. George Cancer Institute this past September.



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Learning Objectives

- Identify which patients should receive germline genetic testing for hematopoietic malignancies.
- Discuss scenarios when next-generation sequencing tests from blood and bone marrow reveal insights into germline cancer risk alleles.

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Session

Thursday, April 30

7:30 – 8:30 am

How to attend

In person:

Attend the live event at the St. George Cancer Institute Auditorium.

Light breakfast will be served.

Microsoft Teams:

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Or call in (audio only): 872.240.1267

Phone Conference ID: 405 398 454#

Course Director

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