

Free Event: Melanoma > Exchange Patient & Advocate Forum

The forum will bring patients, survivors, and loved ones together with world-renowned melanoma clinicians and researchers.

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Join MRA on February 26, 2020 for an exciting half-day conference to learn about cutting-edge advances in melanoma, the research pipeline, and the latest in melanoma prevention and early detection. With options to participate in person or virtually, the forum will bring patients, survivors, and loved ones together with world-renowned melanoma clinicians and researchers to learn from each other, get support, and leave empowered.

Event agenda:

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm — Lunch & Networking

1:00 pm - 1:10 pm — Welcome Remarks

Michael Kaplan - President & CEO, Melanoma Research Alliance

1:10 pm - 1:30 pm — Introductions: Who We Are & Why We Are Here

1:30 pm - 2:20 pm — The Melanoma Treatment Landscape

Learn where we are, where we've been, and where research is taking us.

Rizwan Haq, PhD, MD - Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

2:20 pm - 2:30 pm — Break

2:30 pm - 3:30 pm — Is it Hope or Hype?

We've all see headlines proclaiming the imminent cure for cancer, only to be let down after reading just a few lines. Learn how to separate hype from hope.

Liz Szabo - Kaiser Health News

Jason Luke, MD - University of Pittsburgh

3:30 pm - 4:00 pm — Ask the Expert: Animal Models

What role do animal models play in developing next-generation melanoma therapies?

Liz Patton, PhD - University of Edinburgh

4:00 pm - 4:15 pm — Break

4:15 pm - 5:45 pm — Looking Beyond 2020: The Next Decade of Melanoma Treatment

The melanoma treatment landscape has more options than ever. Hear from experts on emerging approaches gaining steam in clinical trials and the clinic.

Georgia Beasley, MD - Duke University

Stephanie L. Goff, MD - National Cancer Institute

Kenneth Grossman, MD, PhD - University of Utah

James Moon, PhD - University of Michigan

Antoni Ribas, MD, PhD - University of California, Los Angeles

Moderator: Marlana Orloff, MD - Thomas Jefferson University

5:45 pm - 6:00 pm — Closing & Wrap Up

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm — MRA Advocate & Researcher Reception

[Registration](#) is free, but space is limited!

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