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Dear Prospective SKCC Member;

The National Cancer Institute (NCI)-designated Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center - Jefferson Health promotes membership of basic researchers, clinicians and population scientists interested in collaborating on cancer research in the areas of basic science, clinical care, cancer prevention and control, community outreach and engagement, training and education in a diverse and equitable environment.

Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center membership is available to individuals who have a demonstrated, on-going interest in cancer related research and/or cancer-related clinical activities that contribute to the mission of the Cancer Center. I would like to encourage you to submit an application for membership at one of the following levels: *Full Member, Associate Member, Affiliate Member, Honorary Member or Emeritus Member*. Detailed membership criteria can be found in our attached membership guidelines packet.

In brief, all Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center members have numerous opportunities to participate in research symposia, research retreats, attend special presentations, present at grand rounds and engage in community interaction, education and training activities. Full members also receive the following benefits:

- Access to the Cancer Center's shared resources at subsidized rates to support their research programs;
- Prioritization with Biostatistics core;
- Access to pilot project funding opportunities provided by the SKCC;
- Opportunities to be considered for nomination to apply funding opportunities that limit applications to one per NCI-designated cancer center. (e.g., V Foundation & Pew-Stewart Scholars for Cancer Research Program);
- Opportunities for directed philanthropy; Particular philanthropic activities supporting Cancer Center strategic goals, with dedicated development professionals to assist such fund-raising efforts.

A fully executed membership application is required and outlines all necessary information to properly align applicants programmatically.

All interested candidates who wish to seek exclusive membership into the Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center should contact Dr. Matthew Huesser (matthew.huesser@jefferson.edu).

Sincerely,



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Membership Guidelines

Section I. Eligibility

Cancer Center membership is available to individuals who have a demonstrated, on-going interest in cancer related research and/or cancer related clinical activities that contribute to the mission of the Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center. Applications are submitted by individuals, not groups or institutions. Membership is granted at one of the following levels: Full Member, Associate Member, Affiliate Member, Honorary Member or Partner.

Section II. Membership Process

Application for membership is voluntary and implies compliance and agreement by the applicant with the Center's mission, objectives and requirements. Candidates must submit a complete application package to the Cancer Center's Administrative Office.

A complete application package consists of (1) the completed Membership Application Form; (2) a current copy of the applicant's complete curriculum vitae or NIH biosketch including bibliography. The statement of cancer research interest should contain sufficient detail to allow reviewers to understand how the applicant is involved in cancer research (i.e. basic, clinical or both), what types of cancer are impacted by the applicant's research or clinical activities, and whether the research has translational potential. In addition, the applicant's statement should provide the names of other cancer center members with whom (s)he collaborates or intends to establish collaborations, and identify any shared resources that (s)he intends to use in pursuit of the applicant's cancer research program.

Applications are reviewed by the Membership and Executive Committee of the Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center on a bi-annual basis. Following the Membership meeting held by the Executive Committee a recommendation is made either (a) approval of the candidate and of the membership level; or (b) disapproval. A recommendation for approval of membership by the Membership Committee must be unanimous.

Section III. Membership Categories

Full membership will be considered for applicants: (a) individuals with an academic appointment (b) who is a principal investigator of peer reviewed funded grant, or performs basic, clinical, translational or population-based clinical trial cancer research on a regular basis; Clinical research must be impactful to SKCC mission and have a significant accrual numbers as determined by SKCC Associate Director for Clinical Research (c) participates in cancer-related research authoring publications in leading scientific journals.

Associate membership will be considered for applicants: individuals who are faculty at any of the member institutions of the Cancer Center and who contribute significantly to basic, clinical, translational

or population-based cancer research, but do not meet the criteria for Full membership. Associate members typically are junior faculty, established faculty changing career focus, or established faculty who do not have cancer research as their main career focus.

Affiliate membership will be considered for applicants who are a member of a hospital or network who has demonstrated participation in patient based cancer research (clinical trials), basic research collaborations or training and education efforts, directly related to the Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center mission.

Honorary membership will be considered for applicants who are business professionals or community members who are keenly interested in supporting the mission of the Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center.

Emeritus membership will be considered for individuals who have made an outstanding contribution to the mission of the Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center and are no longer actively practicing or engaged in clinical or laboratory research.

Section IV. Membership Requirements

Memberships will last for a term of **three years**, from which a member will be asked to either renew or discontinue membership. All members will be reviewed to insure the continued relevance of the member's professional activities to the Cancer Center's scientific programs, mission, and other activities. Members may be asked to provide information regarding their publications and sponsored research awards, as well as an updated statement of cancer research interest.

Section V. Membership Benefits

Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center members have numerous opportunities to participate in research symposia, research retreats, attend special presentations, present at grand rounds and engage in community interaction, education and training activities.

Full Members also receive the following benefits:

- Access to the Cancer Center's shared resources at subsidized rates for support of their cancer-related research activities including Biostatistics prioritization.
- Access to pilot project funding opportunities provided by the Cancer Center;
- Opportunities to be considered for nomination to one of the many national cancer-specific funding opportunities that limit applications to one per institution;
- Opportunities to serve as a mentor in various training programs supported by the Cancer Center;
- Opportunities to be selected as a recipient of donor directed philanthropy; and Particular philanthropic activities supporting Cancer Center strategic goals, with dedicated development professionals to assist such fund-raising efforts.

Section VI. Expectations of Members

The Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center is an NCI-designated cancer center. Our ability to maintain this designation is dependent upon members' willingness to participate actively in the research and clinical care community fostered by the Cancer Center. To assist our efforts to continue to build upon the vibrant community of physicians, scientists, staff and community members engaged in the Cancer Center, we ask the following of our members:

- Participate in the Cancer Center sponsored symposia, retreats, seminars and surveys. Your participation can impact decisions regarding the development of new focus areas in our Research Programs; new shared resource services; and the development of new funding opportunities.
- Provide progress reports for your projects that are funded by the Cancer Center; and continue to provide the SKCC Office of Administration with information regarding publications, grant submissions and awards, and any other research resource you develop as a result of the funding.
- Please cite the Cancer Center Support Grant 5P30CA056036-21 and the name of the Shared Resource used in all publications resulting from work performed in any part by the Cancer Center's shared resources.