

Moore's UCSD Cancer Center Marks 25 Years Of Service To Community

Anniversary Gift: Free Pamphlets for Preventing, Dealing with Cancer

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The Rebecca and John Moore's UCSD Cancer Center is celebrating its 25th Anniversary and, as a gift to the community, has created three new pamphlets with helpful information from the experts at the Cancer Center. Each pamphlet is packed with 25 tips - for cancer patients, for family members and friends of someone with cancer, or for those who want the latest information on how to reduce their risk of developing cancer.

To request any or all of the free pamphlets, call the Cancer Center Foundation Office, 858-822-0023, and ask for: *When You Have Cancer*, *When a Loved One Has Cancer*, or *Reducing Your Cancer Risk*. The pamphlets are also available for immediate downloading from the Cancer Center website. Just visit www.cancer.ucsd.edu and click on "25th Anniversary."

The Cancer Center of 25 years ago holds little resemblance to the major center it has become today. Center Director Dennis Carson, M.D., said: "Looking at our nationally recognized comprehensive cancer center now, it is difficult to believe that it began with just four patient examination rooms, one physician's office and two small administrative offices."

Today the Cancer Center has more than 275 physicians and scientists, receives approximately \$200 million in research funding each year, and has more than 150 clinical trials available at any given time. The Center is preparing for the April 2005 opening of its new home - a 270,000-square-foot facility that will bring together outpatient care, laboratory research, clinical trials, and cancer prevention and community outreach activities under one roof.

Founded in 1979, the Cancer Center has grown to become one of the nation's leading centers providing advanced patient care, conducting research, teaching the next generation of cancer specialists, and serving the community. Counted among the Center's members are a Nobel Laureate, 12 members of the National Academy of Sciences, and a past president of the American Association for Cancer Research. It is the only center in San Diego and one of just 38 in the nation to hold the National Cancer Institute's coveted Comprehensive Cancer Center designation.

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