



LIFEEST2026 AGENDA

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LOWES NASHVILLE HOTEL

at VANDERBILT PLAZA

2100 West End Avenue

Nashville, TN 37203

Friday, July 10 2:30 PM - 6:00 PM

2:30 PM - 4:00 PM

REGISTRATION & WELCOME

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

LIPOSARCOMA 101 - Dr. Breelyn Wilky, University of Colorado Anschutz

4:30 PM - 6:00 PM

MEET & GREET RECEPTION

Saturday, July 11 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM

REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST ROUND TABLES

- Newly Diagnosed & Membership
- Be Your Own Advocate
- Symptom Management
- Caregiver Support
- Financial Assistance Resources
- Nutrition & Wellness

8:45 AM - 9:00 AM

OPENING REMARKS

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM

THE ROLE OF PATHOLOGY IN LIPOSARCOMA

- Dr. Reena Singh, Vanderbilt University Medical Center

9:30 AM - 10:15 AM

THE GRAND OLE UPDATE: LATEST FROM THE LIPOSARCOMA STAGE

- Dr. Vicki Keedy, Vanderbilt University Medical Center
- Dr. Ciara Kelly, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center
- Dr. John Mullinax, Moffitt Cancer Center
- Dr. Erica Pimenta, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute
- Dr. Raphael Pollock, The Ohio State University Cancer Center
- Dr. Mauricio Ribeiro, Moffitt Cancer Center
- Dr. Neeta Somaiah, MD Anderson Cancer Center
- Dr. Jonathan Trent, University of Miami Sylvester Cancer Center
- Dr. Margaret Von Mehren, Fox Chase Cancer Center
- Dr. Breelyn Wilky, University of Colorado Anschutz

10:15 AM - 10:30 AM

BREAK

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

CURRENT AND EMERGING RESEARCH & TRIALS IN LIPOSARCOMA

- Dr. Elizabeth Lilley, Brigham and Women's Hospital
- Dr. Greg Palmer, Lamassu Biotech
- Dr. Erica Pimenta, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute
- Dr. Neeta Somaiah, MD Anderson Cancer Center
- Dr. Morganna Vance, Iovance Biotherapeutics

11:30 AM - 12:00 PM

RADIATION ONCOLOGY

- Dr. Ashwin Shinde, Vanderbilt University Medical Center



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Saturday, July 11 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM CONTINUED

12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	PATIENT VOICES - LIVING WITH LIPOSARCOMA • Tyler Merritt, author, actor, musician, comedian, and activist behind The Tyler Merritt Project • Christina Wang, Liposarcoma Support Network Director
12:30 PM - 12:45 PM	GROUP PHOTO
12:45 PM - 2:15 PM	LUNCH & AWARDS CEREMONY
2:15 PM - 2:30 PM	BREAK
2:30 PM - 3:15 PM	OPEN MIC WITH THE SURGEONS • Dr. Andrew Blakely, NIH / National Cancer Institute • Dr. Elizabeth Lilley, Brigham and Women's Hospital • Dr. Deepa Magge, Vanderbilt University Medical Center • Dr. John Mullinax, Moffitt Cancer Center • Dr. Rafael Pollock, The Ohio State University Cancer Center
3:15 PM - 4:00 PM	LIPOSARCOMA SUPPORT GROUP
4:00 PM - 4:45 PM	CARING FOR THE WHOLE YOU: <i>Wellness & Integrative Health</i>
4:45 PM	END OF DAY
5:30 PM	MEET UP: OPTIONAL

Sunday, July 12 7:00 AM - 12:00 PM

7:00 AM - 7:30 AM	WALK FOR HOPE REGISTRATION
7:30 AM - 8:00 AM	WALK FOR HOPE, Vanderbilt Courtyard
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	BREAKFAST
9:00 AM - 9:30 AM	MUSIC & HEALING: <i>Where Sound Becomes Strength</i>
9:30 AM - 10:45 AM	INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS • Resource Navigation • Emotional & Mental Health • Knowing How to Research • Supportive & Palliative Care • Advocating for Your Care • Contribute to Research
10:45 AM - 11:15 AM	ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN CANCER CARE
11:15 AM - 11:45 AM	INTRODUCING THE LRG PATIENT REGISTRY
11:45 AM - 12:00 PM	CLOSING REMARKS

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