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Local Cancer Agency Partners with IU Simon Cancer Center to Present Educational Symposium: June 4

A Celebration of Wellness: Honoring the Spirit of Survivorship

(INDIANAPOLIS—May 20) — On Friday, June 4, Cancer Support Community and the IU Simon Cancer Center will present a free educational symposium for people with cancer and their loved ones. “A Celebration of Wellness: Honoring the Spirit of Survivorship” will feature Larry Cripe, M.D., clinical director and interim director of the IU School of Medicine’s Division of Hematology/Oncology and founder of the cancer center’s CompleteLife program; Deanna Dewberry, WISH-TV; Sherman Burdette, Fox 59; and Lorene Burkhart, author, entrepreneur, philanthropist and cancer survivor.

What: A Celebration of Wellness: Honoring the Spirit of Survivorship; an educational symposium for cancer patients and their families

When: Friday, June 4, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Where: Fairbanks Hall, 340 W. 10th St., Room 1112

Cost: Free / \$20 for health care professionals obtaining Continuing Educational Unit (CEU)

The symposium includes lunch, a butterfly release, and an afternoon Q&A session with IU Simon Cancer Center physicians. RSVP to (317) 257-1505 or events@cancersupportindy.org

About Cancer Support Community

Cancer Support Community (CSC) was founded as The Wellness Community-Central Indiana in 1995. Approximately 200 individuals were served during 1995 and that number has increased to nearly 1000 individuals during 2009. Operating from the *Paulsen Family Center*, 5150 W. 71st St., Indianapolis, the mission of Cancer Support Community is to ensure that all people impacted by cancer are empowered by knowledge, strengthened by action, and sustained by community. Cancer Support Community provides fee - free, psychological and emotional support, including support groups and stress management programs for individuals and their families affected by cancer. CSC is not an alternative to medical treatment -- it is an integral part of a comprehensive approach to treating cancer. For more information and the programming schedule call Cancer Support Community at (317) 257-1505 or visit www.cancersupportindy.org.

About the Indiana University Melvin and Bren Simon Cancer Center

The Indiana University Melvin and Bren Simon Cancer Center is an Indiana University School of Medicine and Clarian Health partnership. Located in Indianapolis, IU Simon Cancer Center serves as a regional and national referral center for state-of-the-art cancer treatment and is Indiana’s only National Cancer Institute-designated cancer center that provides patient care. The partnership between IU School of Medicine and Clarian Health is dedicated to establishing a state-wide health care delivery system that is supported by the scientific resources and clinical expertise of the medical school. Its mission is to advance the understanding, prevention and treatment of cancer throughout Indiana and the world with patient-centered care, acceleration of promising science and collaborative educational programs. For more information, visit www.cancer.iu.edu.

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