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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2026 | 6:00 PM TO 8:00 PM

EQUITY BY DESIGN: INNOVATION, POLICY, & SYSTEMS THAT DELIVER

Moderated by Vivian J. Bea, MD

Course Director



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KEYNOTE ADDRESS: BREAST HEALTH EQUITY: PROGRESS, PROMISE & THE PATH FORWARD



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LISTENING AT SCALE: HOW PATIENT-REPORTED OUTCOMES ADVANCE BREAST HEALTH EQUITY



Andrea L. Pusic, MD, MHS, FACS, FRCSC
Chief of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery at Brigham and Women's hospital
Joseph E. Murray Professor of Surgery
Harvard Medical School

WHY GOOD IDEAS FAIL: WHAT IMPLEMENTATION SCIENCE TEACHES YOU



George Molina, MD, MPH
Assistant Professor of Surgery, Harvard Medical School
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Brigham and Women's Hospital
Dana-Farber Cancer Institute
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MORE THAN MEDICINE: ADDRESSING SOCIAL NEEDS TO IMPROVE OUTCOMES



Neha Goel, MD, MPH, FACS
Breast Surgeon/ Surgical Oncologist
Associate Attending Surgeon
Jeanne A. Petrek Junior Faculty Chair
Chief of Disparities, Department of Surgery
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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2026 | 6:00 PM TO 8:00 PM

Equitable Precision in Practice: Personalizing Care. Improving Outcomes

Moderated by Evelyn Toyin Taiwo, MD, Vivian J. Bea, MD

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IMAGING/RADIOLOGY - SEEING WHAT MATTERS SOONER



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GYNECOLOGIC ONCOLOGY: KNOWING THE RISK



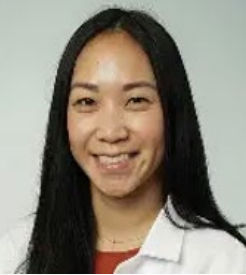
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MEDICAL ONCOLOGY - TARGETING THE FUTURE



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SURGERY - THE NEW SURGICAL STANDARD



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RADIATION ONCOLOGY - LESS TREATMENT, BETTER OUTCOMES



Onyinye Balogun, MD, MSc
Assistant Professor of Radiation Oncology
Northwell Health - Vassar Brothers Medical Center
Northwell Health - Northern Dutchess Hospital

SEXUAL DYSFUNCTION CONSIDERATIONS FOR YOUR PATIENTS



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MORE THAN WEIGHT



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PRESENTERS BIOGRAPHIES



Vivian Jolley Bea, MD, MBA, FACS

Vivian J. Bea, MD an Assistant Professor of Surgery at New York Presbyterian-Weill Cornell Medicine, and Section Chief of Breast Surgical Oncology At New York Presbyterian-Brooklyn Methodist Hospital. Dr. Bea received her master's degree in biology from Drexel University and her medical degree from Morehouse School of Medicine. She is board-certified in General Surgery and completed her training in General Surgery at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston, South Carolina. Dr. Bea then went on to complete a fellowship in Breast Surgical Oncology at the prestigious University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, Texas. She is a breast cancer disparities researcher, educator, and community outreach leader. As a leader in the community, Dr. Bea has focused on bridging the gap between multidisciplinary breast cancer treatment and community barriers. Dr. Bea's dedication to the community is evident in her multifaceted community outreach programs designed to address breast cancer disparities in Black women through increased breast cancer screening, innovative community education, and navigation. She is the creator and course director for the Weill Cornell Medicine Breast Health Disparities annual CME Symposium whose goal is to provide breast cancer education to community clinicians within targeted communities.

Most recently, Dr. Bea was awarded the prestigious American Medical Association's National Minority Quality Forums Braintrust, "Top 40 under 40 in Minority Health" for her dedication to community outreach and research. Her clinical and research interests include management of the axilla, inflammatory breast cancer management in underserved populations as well as identifying and eliminating breast cancer diagnosis and treatment disparities. Dr. Bea is the founder of G.L.O.S.S. (Girls Loving OurSelves Successfully), a program focused on mentoring young women. Understanding the importance of representation and diversity in books, she founded the Chocolate Kid Chronicles, publishing her first children's book in the series, an Amazon Best Seller, the "Chocolate Kid Chronicles: Please Don't Touch My Magical Hair." Dr. Bea is the recipient of a host of awards and accolades for her accomplishments and has been featured on ABC News, CBS News, USA Today, the NY Post, and Essence and Allure Magazines.



Evelyn T. Taiwo, MD

Dr. Evelyn Taiwo is an Associate Professor of Medicine at Weill Cornell Medicine, and Attending Physician, and a Hematology-Oncology fellowship program director at New York Presbyterian-Brooklyn Methodist Hospital. She received her BS in Biology at the University of North Texas, and her MD at Temple University School of Medicine in Philadelphia. Following her residency at Boston University Medical Center, Dr. Taiwo completed a three-year fellowship in Hematology and Oncology at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas, Texas. In addition to clinical care, Dr. Taiwo's work addresses disparities in breast and health care with a focus on improving clinical trial enrollment, community engagement, and patient advocacy. As a researcher, she has contributed to several studies on cancer presentation in urban and minority patient populations.



Lisa A. Newman, MD, MPH, FACS, FASCO

Dr. Lisa Newman is a surgical oncologist and with a clinical and research practice dedicated to breast cancer management. In August 2018 she was appointed Chief of the Section of Breast Surgery at NewYork-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center and Weill Cornell Medicine. In addition, at the NewYork-Presbyterian David H. Koch Center, Dr. Newman leads the multidisciplinary breast oncology programs which provides the finest, most compassionate care to women and men affected by breast cancer. In this role, Dr. Newman leads a team of breast surgeons that uses state-of-the-art screening and imaging technologies, innovative surgical and reconstruction techniques, and radiation therapies to provide patients with comprehensive breast cancer care. As Chief of the Breast Surgical Oncology Program, she also extends this multidisciplinary approach—to NewYork-Presbyterian Lower Manhattan Hospital, NewYork-Presbyterian

Brooklyn Methodist Hospital and NewYork-Presbyterian Queens.

Dr. Newman's primary research has focused on ethnicity-related variation in breast cancer risk and outcome, the evaluation and management of high-risk patients; broadened applications for neoadjuvant chemotherapy, and special surgical techniques such as the skin-sparing mastectomy and lymphatic mapping/sentinel lymph node biopsy. Her extensive research related to disparities in breast cancer risk and outcome has been published in numerous peer-reviewed medical journals and was featured in CNN's documentary "Black in America 2". She oversees an international breast cancer research and training program involving a network of physicians and facilities in Ghana, Ethiopia, Nigeria, Uganda, Haiti, Barbados, and Canada. This program has focused in the study of triple negative breast cancer in women with African ancestry.



George Molina, MD, MPH

Dr. Molina graduated from Johns Hopkins University with a BS in Cellular and Molecular biology. He obtained his medical degree from Harvard Medical School and completed an MPH in Quantitative Methods at Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public Health. He completed a residency in General Surgery at Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH) and a fellowship in Complex General Surgical Oncology at Brigham and Women's Hospital/ MGH and Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. As part of his training, Dr. Molina also completed a two-year postgraduate research fellowship at Ariadne Labs, where he worked in health systems innovations and research, clinical studies in surgical oncology, and impact of a surgical safety checklist program.



Andrea L. Pusic, MD, MHS, FACS, FRCS

Dr. Andrea Pusic is the Chief of the Division of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Director of the Patient-Reported Outcomes, Value & Experience (PROVE) Center and a Professor of Surgery at Harvard Medical School. Her clinical focus is breast reconstruction (including DIEP flaps and implant reconstruction) and aesthetic breast surgery.

Dr. Pusic's approach to care focuses on optimizing quality of life for her patients. Her philosophy is that each patient is unique, and that reconstruction should be tailored to the individual and their goals. Dr. Pusic is a leader in the field of patient-reported outcomes and surgical experience and has published over 200 papers on this topic. Her research involves developing and implementing tools to assess outcomes from the patient perspective. The BREAST-Q, a patient-reported outcomes measure developed by Dr. Pusic, is used around the world to help surgeons appreciate how women feel about the results of their breast surgery. At the PROVE Center, Dr. Pusic's research team works to better understand how patient's feel about their outcomes and experiences and use this information to improve surgical care.



Neha Goel, MD

Triple board-certified surgical oncologist and surgeon-scientist who specializes in the surgical management of breast cancer and benign breast diseases. I see patients at the Evelyn H. Lauder Breast Center and perform surgery at Memorial Hospital and the Josie Robertson Surgery Center. I work with a multidisciplinary team of doctors at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center to ensure that our patients get the best possible breast cancer treatment and care. Listening to our patients and their loved ones to make them feel comfortable. I take the time to answer questions to help them make informed decisions. I use my specialized surgical training to achieve the best possible results, including cosmetic outcomes through oncoplastic surgery and nipple-sparing mastectomies. In addition to clinical care, I conduct research on breast cancer disparities.

The Goel lab: "ZIP code to Genomic code" is funded by the National Institutes of Health and focuses on understanding how the neighborhoods and environment in which people live impact breast cancer biology and outcomes. The goal is to develop better programs and services that help prevent, detect, and treat cancer so that all patients can achieve health equity and excellent outcomes.



Melissa Reichman, MD

Dr. Melissa Reichman is an Associate Professor of Radiology in the Division of Women's Imaging at Weill Cornell Medicine, where she specializes in breast imaging and image-guided breast procedures. She serves as Chair of the Society of Breast Imaging Social Media Committee, where she has focused on increasing engagement, supporting cross-committee initiatives, and expanding the visibility of SBI programs and educational content. Dr. Reichman is deeply involved in physician wellness initiatives and founded the Commensality Initiative at Weill Cornell to foster connection and community among physicians. She serves as Chair of the Wellness Committee for the Association of Academic Radiology as well as Vice Chair of the Wellness Committee for the New York State Radiological Society.

She earned her B.A., summa cum laude, from the University of Pennsylvania and her M.D. from NYU School of Medicine, followed by residency and fellowship training at New York-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center. Her academic interests include physician well-being, AI, mammography screening, breast MRI, mobile mammography, and addressing socioeconomic barriers to breast cancer screening. Outside of medicine, she is an avid runner who has completed all six Abbott World Marathon Majors and is looking forward to earning her seventh star at the Sydney Marathon this summer.

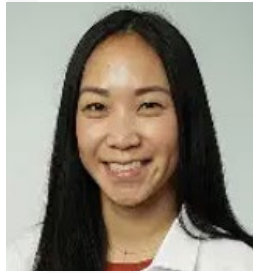


Melissa Frey, MD, MS

Dr. Melissa Frey is an Associate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology in the division of gynecologic oncology and the Director of the Genetics and Personalized Cancer Prevention Program at Weill Cornell Medicine. Dr. Frey graduated magna cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa from Duke University and earned her medical degree from Weill Cornell Medical College, graduating with honors in research. She completed her residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at Weill Cornell Medicine / NewYork-Presbyterian, where she served as the Chief Resident. She subsequently completed her fellowship in gynecologic oncology at New York University Langone Medical Center and received a master's degree in Clinical and Translational Investigation at Weill Cornell Medicine Graduate School of Medical Sciences.

Dr. Frey provides care for all aspects of gynecologic oncology, including surgical management and chemotherapy for gynecologic cancer. Dr. Frey specializes in the management of individuals with hereditary cancer syndromes (e.g., BRCA1, BRCA2, RAD51C, RAD51D, BRIP1, PALB2, and Lynch syndrome). Dr. Frey's research focuses on cancer genetics and healthcare delivery. She has presented her research at national and international meetings and has more than 100 publications in peer-reviewed scientific journals. Dr. Frey is the Principal Investigator on NIH-funded clinical trials evaluating cascade genetic testing and health information technology for cancer risk assessment in diverse patient populations.

Dr. Frey has received numerous awards for her clinical excellence, surgical expertise, and medical research, including the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology / American Association of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Foundation Scholar Award, Siegel Family Faculty Development Prize, Sarnoff Research Foundation Fellowship, Alan von Kreuter Cancer Research Prize and several resident and medical student faculty teaching awards.



Tammy Ju, MD, FACS

Dr. Tammy Ju is a fellowship trained Breast Surgical Oncologist practicing at New York-Presbyterian Medical Group Queens located in Flushing, New York. She received her medical degree from the University of Florida College of Medicine and completed her residency in General Surgery at George Washington University and spent a year doing a research fellowship in general surgery. She completed additional fellowship training in Breast Surgical Oncology at Stanford University. Dr. Ju is certified by the American Board of Surgery in General Surgery and specializes in the field of breast disease including benign and malignant conditions for women and men, with a focus on the surgical management of breast cancer. She performs nipple-sparing and skin-sparing mastectomies, oncoplastic breast surgery, lumpectomies with or without wires, breast biopsies, and axillary lymph node biopsies and dissections.

Dr. Ju's research interests include clinical outcomes related to breast surgery, has added experience in staged nipple-sparing mastectomy to help women reduce ischemic complications related to mastectomy, and has published on breast cancer health disparities research including differences within the disaggregated Asian American breast cancer patient population. Dr. Ju has participated in medical and surgical mission trips internationally to Haiti, the Dominican Republic and Guatemala. She has published articles in journals such as Annals of Surgical Oncology, the Breast Journal, and the Journal of the American College of Surgeons. She has presented at local, regional, and national meetings and has been an invited author and commentator with regards to new technologies and advancements in the field of breast surgical oncology.



Onyinye Balogun, MD, MSc

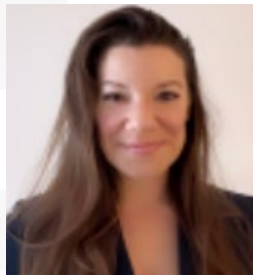
Onyinye Balogun, MD is a radiation oncologist (specializing in the treatment of gynecologic and breast malignancies). She is a graduate of Harvard University and Yale University School of Medicine. Dr. Balogun initiated her residency training at the University of Chicago and completed her final year at New York University. Her research focuses on eliminating domestic and global cancer disparities in gynecologic and breast cancer through epidemiologic studies, implementation science and clinical trials. She engages in global health activities with a focus on improving the delivery of radiation therapy (particularly brachytherapy) in low- and middle-income countries through capacity building, continuing medical education and research collaboration. As a Cancer and Ethnicity Scholar at the New York Genome Center, she oversaw the Polyethnic 1000 project, an initiative to study the genome's contribution to cancer disparities and served as the co-

Principal Investigator of the Polyethnic 1000 endometrial cancer project. She has expanded her genomics research internationally to interrogate endometrial cancer genomics among women of African ancestry.



Olivia Cheng, MD, FSSO

Dr. Cheng graduated from the School of Medicine At Stony Brook University Medical Center in 2018. She works in Brooklyn, NY and specializes in Surgery. She is originally from Queens, New York. She attended Stuyvesant High School in Manhattan and subsequently received her B.S. at Stony Brook University where she completed her B.S. double major in Pharmacology and Cinema & Cultural Studies. She stayed on at Stony Brook University School of Medicine for her M.D. and is a member of the Gold Humanism Honor Society. She is currently a fourth year General Surgery resident at New York-Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist Hospital.



Lauren Mount, MD

Dr. Lauren Mount is a Senior Research Program Manager in the Department of Population Health Sciences at Weill Cornell Medicine and the Research Program Manager for the Cancer Prevention and Control Program at the Sandra and Edward Meyer Cancer Center. With a background in surgery, biomedical engineering, and specialized training in Exercise Oncology from the American College of Sports Medicine, Dr. Mount brings an interdisciplinary approach to improving outcomes for cancer patients. Their current work focuses on breast and cervical cancer, with particular interest in treatment delays and the integration of lifestyle interventions, such as asmpysical activity, into cancer care. Dr. Mount is currently a Co-Investigator on a pilot study in Brooklyn, New York, aimed at identifying barriers and facilitators to physical activity among women with

breast cancer. Using a patient-centered, mixed methods approach grounded in behavioral science frameworks, the project will inform the development of a culturally tailored, sustainable intervention to support physical activity engagement in this population. This work represents a critical step toward improving survivorship and quality of life through lifestyle-based cancer care.

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