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## CANCER SUPPORT COMMUNITY RELEASES FREE LUNG CANCER EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE

Frankly Speaking About Cancer: Lung Cancer Sixth Edition Book Released

**Washington, D.C. – [January 22, 2013] –**More people in the United States die from lung cancer than any other type of cancer.<sup>1</sup> To ensure people with lung cancer, their caregivers and loved ones are equipped with the most up-to-date information on treatment options and available resources available, the Cancer Support Community (CSC) has released its sixth edition of *Frankly Speaking About Cancer: Lung Cancer*®, now available for download at www.CancerSupportCommunity.org.

This new version of *Frankly Speaking About Cancer: Lung Cancer* features detailed and comprehensive information on understanding lung cancer, making informed treatment decisions, side effect management, facing the social and emotional challenges of a diagnosis and survivorship issues. The book, a collaboration between CSC, Lung Cancer Alliance and the American Lung Association, is part of a national education program that provides support, education and hope to people affected by cancer and their loved ones.

"A cancer diagnosis can result in a host of questions for the person with cancer and their loved ones. *Frankly Speaking About Cancer: Lung Cancer* works to arm every person with lung cancer with the resources and up-to-date information necessary to manage their diagnosis and engage in effective communication with their health professionals, family and friends," said Kim Thiboldeaux, president and CEO of the Cancer Support Community. "CSC is pleased to provide valuable resources and support to people affected by cancer and their loved ones."

In addition to the updated *Frankly Speaking About Cancer: Lung Cancer* resource, information on lung cancer treatments, including targeted therapy options as well as information on small cell lung cancer and non-small cell lung cancer is available on CSC's website <a href="https://www.CancerSupportCommunity.org">www.CancerSupportCommunity.org</a>.

New *Frankly Speaking About Cancer: Lung Cancer* face-to-face workshops are available through CSC's network of local affiliates. The workshops, facilitated by medical oncologists who specialize in lung cancer, seek to provide useful information for patients, caregivers and loved ones as it relates to each person's unique situation with cancer. The workshops also offer participants an opportunity to connect with a medical professional in a comfortable and relaxed setting.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "Lung Cancer." Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Available online: <u>http://www.cdc.gov/cancer/lung/</u>. Accessed: 11/14/2012.

For more information about *Frankly Speaking About Cancer* or Cancer Support Community, please visit <u>www.CancerSupportCommunity.org</u> or call toll-free at 888.793.9355.

## About the Cancer Support Community

Backed by evidence that the best cancer care includes emotional and social support, the Cancer Support Community offers these services to all people affected by cancer. The largest professionally-led network of cancer support worldwide, the organization delivers a comprehensive menu of personalized and essential services. Because no cancer care plan is complete without emotional and social support, the Cancer Support Community has a vibrant network of community-based centers and online services run by trained and licensed professionals. For more information, visit <u>www.CancerSupportCommunity.org</u>.

In July 2009, The Wellness Community and Gilda's Club Worldwide joined forces to become the Cancer Support Community. The combined organization provides high-quality psychological and social support through a network of more than 50 local affiliates, more than 100 satellite locations and online.

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