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PROSTATE CANCER EXPERIENCE NOT FULLY UNDERSTOOD

The Cancer Support Community Announces new Registry Detailing Prostate Cancer Experience

WASHINGTON – (Aug. 18, 2015) –The Cancer Support Community (CSC), an international nonprofit dedicated to providing support, education and hope to people impacted by cancer, announced today a new Registry specifically for men who have or have had prostate cancer. This addition to CSC’s Cancer Experience Registry will explore the full experience of prostate cancer – which one in seven men are diagnosed with in their lifetime.

“The Cancer Experience Registry: Prostate Cancer is a chance for men who have experienced prostate cancer to give back to others going through a similar experience,” said Gwen Darien, Executive Vice President of Programs and Services at CSC. “We are eager to learn more about the unique needs of this group so that we and others can create resources tailored specifically to men with prostate cancer and their loved ones.”

The Cancer Support Community introduced the Cancer Experience Registry as a way to give a voice to people living with cancer and to convey the specific emotional, financial and social impacts of living with cancer to the cancer community at large. The Cancer Experience Registry: Prostate Cancer is the tenth in a series of specialty Registries reaching into specific cancer types. In addition to the Cancer Experience Registry, which is open to anyone with any type of cancer, there are Registries for patients with breast cancer, metastatic breast cancer, multiple myeloma, chronic myeloid leukemia, chronic lymphocytic leukemia, lung cancer and melanoma. Caregivers are also invited to participate by joining the Cancer Experience Registry: Caregivers.

“We’re proud to have provided an educational grant to CSC to support the development of a prostate cancer experience registry as part of our shared commitment to patient care,” said Tracy McGowan, Strategic Lead, Oncology, Janssen Scientific Affairs, LLC. “Findings from this registry will help the medical community gain a better understanding of patient needs unique to prostate cancer and potential ways to improve treatment approaches and the overall patient experience.”

“When facing a cancer diagnosis, people often turn to one another for advice, for information and for a sense of encouragement,” said Gissoo Decotiis, US Advocacy Relations, Oncology, Bayer HealthCare. “Through the new Prostate Cancer Registry, men can draw strength from one another and remember that they’re not alone in their journey. At Bayer, we continually ask ourselves where we can make a difference for the cancer community. Through our collaboration with the Cancer Support Community, we hope to connect men in a meaningful way and learn from them in the process.”

The Cancer Support Community would like to thank its partners in developing the Cancer Experience Registry: Prostate Cancer, including Us TOO and ZERO – The End of Prostate Cancer.

The Cancer Experience Registry: Prostate Cancer was created thanks to support from Janssen Pharmaceuticals and Bayer.

For more information on the Cancer Experience Registry: Prostate Cancer, or if you or someone you know has ever been impacted by a cancer diagnosis, please visit

www.CancerExperienceRegistry.org.

About the Cancer Support Community

As the largest professionally led nonprofit network of cancer support worldwide, the Cancer Support Community (CSC) is dedicated to ensuring that all people impacted by cancer are empowered by knowledge, strengthened by action and sustained by community. CSC achieves its mission through three areas: direct service delivery, research and advocacy. The organization includes an international network of Affiliates that offer the highest quality social and emotional support for people impacted by cancer, as well as a community of support available online and over the phone. The Research and Training Institute conducts cutting-edge psychosocial, behavioral and survivorship research. CSC furthers its focus on patient advocacy through its Cancer Policy Institute, informing public policy in Washington, D.C. and across the nation. For more information, please call the toll-free Cancer Support Helpline at 888-793-9355, or visit www.CancerSupportCommunity.org. *So that no one faces cancer alone*®

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