

## **Cancer Navigators' In-Person Run, Daisy Drop Scheduled for June 5**

### *Sign Up Now for Virtual or In-Person Run*

**ROME, GA., May 17, 2022** – With current fuel prices remaining high, area cancer patients need more help than ever getting assistance so they can make it to lifesaving treatments. Cancer Navigators is hosting virtual and in-person races this spring to raise funds specifically for the transportation program.

Cancer Navigators, established in 2006, serves as a complement to the medical expertise of cancer care providers by guiding those in northwest Georgia and northeast Alabama affected by cancer toward a better understanding of diagnosis and care while connecting them with needed resources. The organization provides the following free services: social support, counseling, nutrition assistance, transportation assistance, medical supplies, wigs, hats and scarves, stress management and caregiver support.

Every \$25 purchases a gas card or bus voucher to provide a cancer patient in crisis the opportunity to fight and increase their chances of survival.

Signups for a virtual run, walk or biking event have already begun. Racers can run, walk or bike anywhere they want for either 1 mile or 3.1 mile (5K) virtual races. You can go the distance all at once or in increments.

#### **Virtual Race Options:**

- 5K Registration – Receive T-shirt and medal (\$30)
- 5K Registration for 2020/2021 Racers – Receive T-shirt, medal, and \$5 discount (\$25)
- 5K Team Registration – Receive t-shirt, medal, and \$5 discount if registering as a group of 5 or more (\$25)
- 1 Mile Fun Run – Receive medal only (\$15)

#### **In-Person Fun Run/Walk:**

The in-person 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk will take place Sunday, June 5 at 2 p.m. at the Barron Stadium Track in Rome prior to Cancer Navigators' Annual Daisy Drop at 3 p.m. All virtual racers are invited to participate in the June 5 event no additional charge.

In addition to helping a local cancer patient, all racers will be entered into a drawing to win a "Dinner for Two" gift card to Chipotle.

"Every contribution benefits someone struggling with cancer, and has tremendous impacts, giving invaluable gifts of relief and hope to patients and their caregivers," said Sarah Husser, Cancer Navigators Fundraising & Community Outreach Coordinator.

Register online at [www.cancernavigators.org](http://www.cancernavigators.org) or by contacting the Cancer Navigators office at (706) 509-5040. The deadline to register is June 5, which is National Cancer Survivors Day.

On that day, the organization will also hold its annual Daisy Drop on the Chief John Ross Memorial Bridge at the Town Green from 3 to 4 p.m. Cancer Navigators staff will be onsite handing out complimentary daisies that attendees can drop into the river and pay tribute to loved ones affected by cancer.

Those who can't attend the June 5 event can stop by the Cancer Navigators office during the afternoon of Friday, June 3 to pick up daisies and plan their own event. Cancer Navigators is located on the third floor of the Harbin Clinic Cancer Center, 255 W. Fifth St. SW, in Rome.

Cancer Navigators' 16th year sponsors include Atrium Health Floyd, Harbin Clinic, First National Community Bank, Hardy Realty, MSP Attorneys, State Mutual Insurance Company, The Lewis Chemical Company, Mount Vernon Mills, The UPS Store and Profile Custom Extrusions.

#### **About Atrium Health Floyd**

Since 1942, Floyd, now [Atrium Health Floyd](#), has worked to provide affordable, accessible care in northwest Georgia and northeast Alabama. Today, Atrium Health Floyd is a leading medical provider and economic force. As part of the largest, integrated, nonprofit health system in the Southeast, it is also able to tap into some of the nation's leading medical experts and specialists with Atrium Health, allowing it to provide the best care close to home – including advanced innovations in virtual medicine and care. At the hub of these services is Floyd Medical Center, a 304-bed full-service, acute care hospital and regional referral center. Atrium Health Floyd employs more than 3,400 teammates who provide care in over 40 medical specialties at three hospitals: Floyd Medical Center in Rome, Georgia; Floyd Cherokee Medical Center in Centre, Alabama; Floyd Polk Medical Center in Cedartown, Georgia, as well as Floyd Behavioral Health Center, a freestanding 53-bed behavioral health facility, also in Rome; and a primary care and urgent care network with locations throughout the service area of northwest Georgia and northeast Alabama.

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