

The Andrew Spyrow & Lori Lane

BRAINSTORM CANCER AZ '25

WE ARE THE STORM!

SCHEDULE: Sat, May 10th 2025

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- 6:30 AM - 8 AM (1.5 hours)
VENDOR/POSTER SET UP
Vendors welcomed early to set up their booths. Scrolling slide show of patient photos.
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- 8 AM – 9:00 AM (1 hour)
Open Registration, Visit the Vendors, & Enjoy Refreshments
Collect your name badge. Patients collect a symposium bag. Meet the vendors. Tour the facility.
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- 9:00 AM – 9:05 AM (5 minutes)
WELCOME: Living Oncology's 2nd Annual BrainStorm Cancer Arizona'25
Living Oncology 501(c)(3): History, Mission, Vision, Legacy Mentions, & Honors
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- 9:05 AM - 10:05 AM (1 hour)
Session 1: Brain Tumor Basics
Topics covered include (Overview - Each 5-minute Lectures):
 - **Dr. Alyx Porter** – "What is Neuro-Oncology?"
 - Primary and Secondary tumors, familial syndromes, and cancer neurology
 - **Dr. Ramya Tadipatri** – "Who serves on the Multidisciplinary Neuro-Oncology Team?"
 - Physicians, Allied Health, Social/Chaplaincy Services, & Nursing Teams
 - **Dr. Amir Azadi** – "Why is Brain/Spine Tumor Imaging So Important?"
 - Types of routine and advanced brain/spine imaging and goals for imaging (Diagnosis, treatment planning, prognosis, and monitoring)
 - **Dr. Shannon Fortin-Ensign** – "What are the Most Common Treatment Approaches?"
 - Surgery, radiation, chemotherapy, devices, observation/monitoring
 - **Dr. Matthew Smith-Cohn** – "What is the Role for Neuropathology in Brain/Spine Tumors?"
 - Excitement around molecular pathology/genetics & the liquid biopsy for diagnosis, prognosis, treatment, & monitoring (response assessment)
 - **Kaitlin Bezuyen, PA-C** – "What is the Role for Nurses, Navigators, and APPs?"
 - Connecting to patients, Navigation, and Collaborating with Physicians
 - **Dr. Maria Bishop** – "How do we use Palliative Care and Manage Fatigue in Brain Tumor?"
 - Palliative care defined, and quality of life steps in managing fatigue.
 - **Dr. Michael Garcia** – "Real-World Discussion with a patient and their physician..."
 - **Patient: George Rein** – "What is your philosophy on LIVING with Brain Tumor Diagnosis?"
 - **Caregiver: Raeann Johnson** – "Describe your journey as a patient advocate and caregiver."
 - **Physician: Dr. Peter Nakaji** – "Importance of building the team culture & involving learners?"
 - **Scientist: Dr. Val De Luca** – "Value for supporting research at all levels & research types."
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- 10:10 AM - 10:50 AM (40 min)

THANKS FOR THE FEEDBACK!

Session 2: SPONSORED SPEAK EASY SESSIONS

10:10a – 10:30a (Patients and Caregivers SPREAK TO Scientists & Physicians)

1. Patients and caregivers are excluded from early decision-making or uninvited to be part of the scientific development process outside of clinical trials.
2. Caregivers are often the greatest advocate for their loved ones. What are some important points that physicians need to consider?

OPEN TO patients/caregivers

- Raeann Johnson (Knowing the Person)
- Denise Howze (Foundations)
- George Rein (Living)
- Flo Spyrow (Integrative Medicine)

3 Innovators/Scientists *offer a supporting response to patient/caregiver needs.* What are you doing to mend this divide?

- GT Med Tech (Efficiency)
- Nefer Kali Healing (Holistic Care)
- Novocure (Quality of Life/Product Design)

10:30a – 10:50a (Innovators/Scientists SPREAK TO Physicians)

1. It has been difficult to navigate the red tape to meet with physicians and streamline the processes to bring innovations to medical practices to serve patients.

OPEN TO Innovators and Scientists

- Menarini Silicon Biosystems (Samples direct to laboratory, Efficiency)
- Chimerix (Trial Options)
- Caris Life Sciences (Standardization)

3 Physicians *offer feedback about how the above innovations might improve workflows.*

- Azadi (Private Institutional Hurdles)
- Porter (Exploring Options)
- Tadipatri (Investigator Initiated Clinical Trials)

- 10:50 AM – 11:00 AM (10 minutes)

Coffee Break

Scrolling Photos

Take Photos with your favorite Physician/Scientist/Vendor

ADD YOUR THUMBPRINT TO THE LIVING ONCOLO-TREE

Visit Vendor/Scientist Booths

- 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (30 minutes)

A WORD FROM OUR SPONSORS

Sponsoring Scientists/Innovators: Please present a word about how your science moves the field forward.

10 MIN (SLIDES)

MENARINI SILICON BIOSYSTEMS – DIAMOND & NETWORKING

6 MIN (SLIDES)

CHIMERIX - PLATINUM & NETWORKING

3 MIN (STAGE)

CHRIS & FLO SPYROW - LUNCHEON

CARIS LIFE SCIENCES - GOLD & LUNCHEON

2 MIN (MICROPHONE)

BANNER MD ANDERSON CC - GOLD

NOVOCURE - GOLD

GT MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES - GOLD

NEFERKALI HEALING – GENERAL EVENT

THE AMERICAN BRAIN TUMOR ASSOCIATION – GENERAL EVENT

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- 11:29 AM - 11:30 AM
Honoring Andrew Spyrow & Lori Lane (Founding Honorees) – Moment of Silence
Dr. Na Tosha N. Gatson & Dr. Amir Azadi
 - 11:30 AM – 11:50 (20 minutes)
New 2025 Honorees RAINDROPS ARE NOTHING WHEN YOU ARE THE STORM!
(Banner MDA/Barrow/Honor/Scottsdale Neurosurgery Specialists/Living Oncology/Mayo Clinic) - Dr. Na Tosha N. Gatson: Treating physicians + their patients.
We present this symposium in their memory.

	STORMING PATIENTS	PROVIDERS	SPONSORS
1.	Vera Arellano	TADIPATRI/GATSON	MENARINI
2.	Anonymous	UMEMARA/GATSON	CARIS
3.	Barbara Benell	JUDY	NOVOCURE
4.	Donna Fry	SMITH-COHN	CARIS
5.	Andrew Gonzales	SMITH-COHN	MENARINI
6.	Jim Hollenback, Jr	JOLEEN	ABTA
7.	Christopher Howze	PORTER	NEFER KALI
8.	Jennifer Jenkins	FORTIN-ENSIGN	MENARINI
9.	Vicki Johnson	GATSON	NOVOCURE
10.	Lori Lane	NAKAJI/GATSON	SPYROW
11.	Cheryle Lindsey	GATSON	MENARINI
12.	Cynthia Paoli	TADIPATRI	GT MED TECH
13.	George Rein	NAKAJI	BANNER MDA
14.	Celie Schoustra	GATSON	CHIMERIX
15.	Nicole Spencer	BEZUYEN	BANNER MDA
16.	Andrew Spyrow	NAKAJI/AZADI/GATSON	SPYROW
17.	Anthony Starace	GATSON	GT MED TECH
18.	Jeremy Steinmeyer	GATSON	CHIMERIX
19.	Betsy Vantuinen-Youngs	GATSON/TADIPATRI	GT MED TECH
20.	Lexi Grace Vlcek	GATSON	CHIMERIX
21.	Brian Woods	AZADI	MENARINI
22.	Honoring All Patient's Not Listed Who are Present	GATSON	Anastacia Garrison & The Buttes

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- 11:50 – 11:55 (5 minutes)
MEET THE PHYSICIANS & INNOVATORS (SPEED ROUNDS) Pass the microphone - introduce themselves and their organization (**STRICT** 30 seconds Speed Rounds).
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11:55 – 12:00PM (5 minutes) CLOSING REMARKS – **Dismiss audience.**
(Scrolling Photos) Past Year's HONOREES: Remembering **Anastacia Engler, Chandra Goodman, Stephen Luca, Michael Tanner, Mr. Remy Tomchak**

- 12:10PM – 1:10PM (1hr) – SCROLLING PHOTOS
SPYROW AND CARIS Sponsored *VIVERE LUNCH*

EVENT MENU – STARACE *VIVERE LUNCHEON*

Breakfast (8a to 9a)

Breakfast Menu

Assorted Bagels & Cream Cheese
Assorted Freshly Baked Scones

Fresh Cut & Whole Fruit Display

*Mango, Baby Papaya, Figs, Cantaloupe, Red and Black Grapes, Kiwi, Cantaloupe, Seedless Watermelon, Strawberries, Pineapple, Honeydew, Seasonal Berries & Honey Yogurt Sauce

Freshly Brewed Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee, and Hot Teas

Lunch (Starts at Noon)

TBD

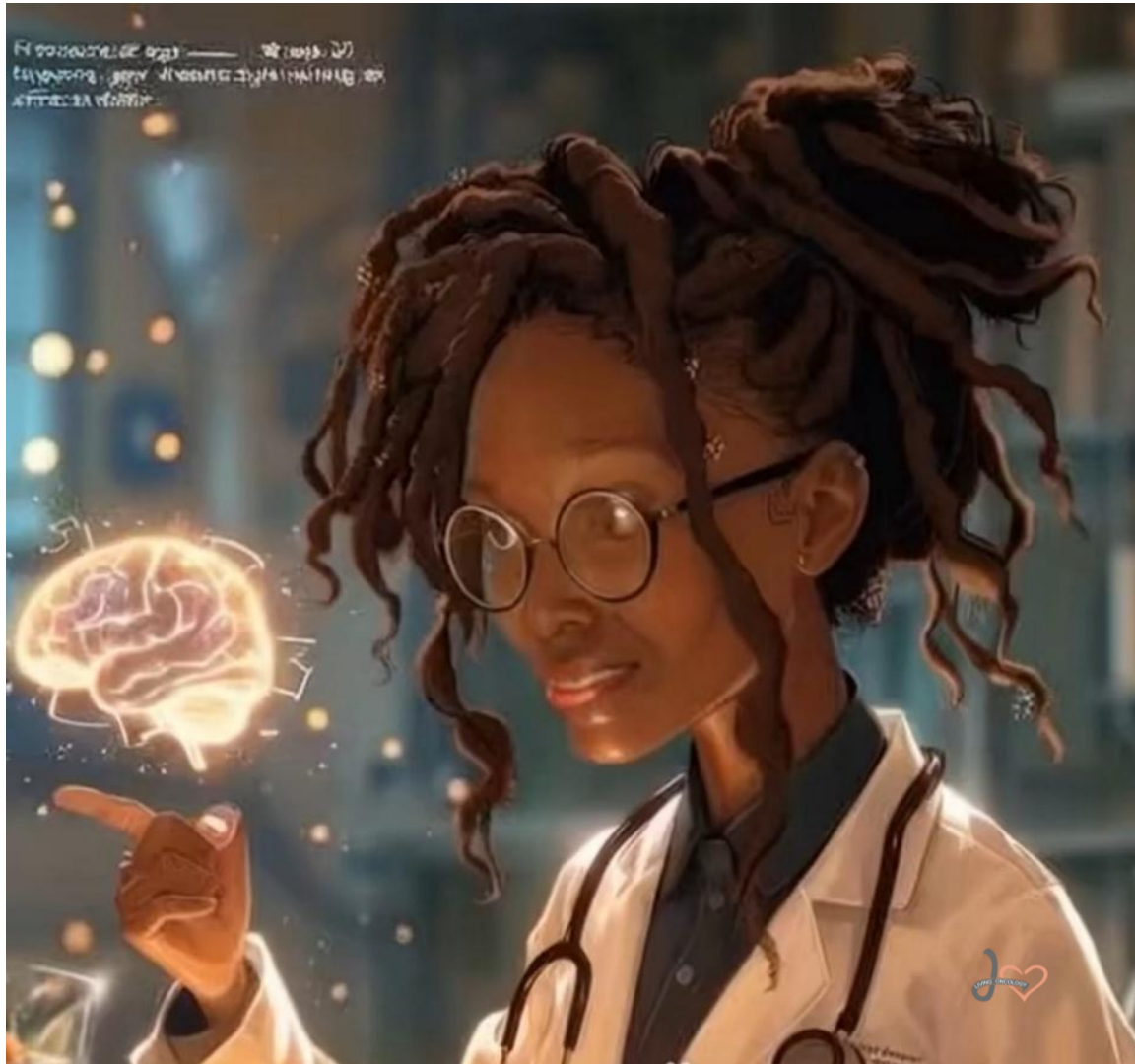
PHYSICIAN/VENDOR/SCIENTIST NETWORKING, PHOTOS, HEADSHOTS

- **BREAKOUT ROOM PLATED/BOXED LUNCH**

Where Do We Go from Here? Patient-facing science is a patient's right. We must always include patients to ensure they have ample opportunities to connect with science. Making informed decisions about their care depends on it! Reconnecting this way might also guide and improve patient clinical trial participation, trust in healthcare, and communication amongst providers.

EVENTUALLY, I hope to BrainStorm Cancer yearly in AZ. I hope it STORMS in every state!

NETWORKING WILL BE THE KEY TO BUILDING SMALLER RESEARCH AND PATIENT ADVOCACY CONSORTIUMS. WHAT WILL BE YOUR CONTRIBUTION?

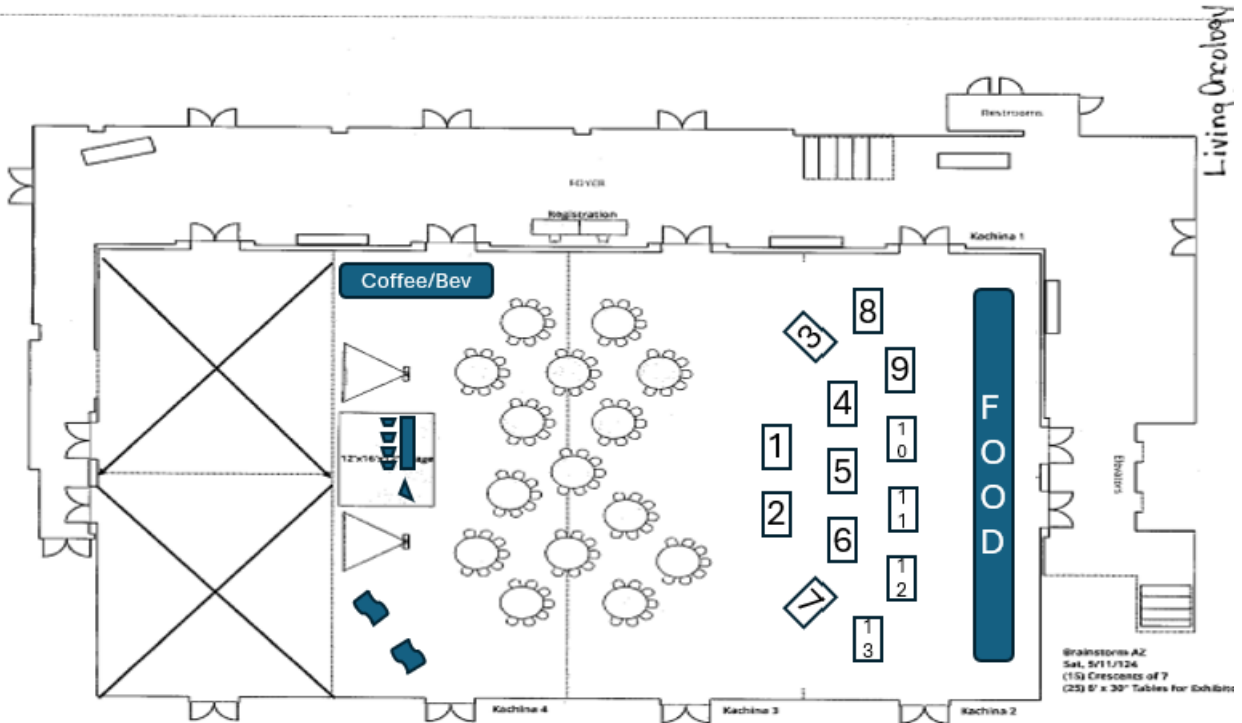


Honoring ALL the patients, families, physicians, and innovators in the battle against #BrainCancer. LIVING is larger than Life! #LetsBeTheSTORM



Floor Plan

Kachina 1-4 Ballroom: Vendor Tables size 6' x 30" w/2 chairs



1. Menarini
2. Chimerix
3. GT Med Tech
4. Novocure
5. Living Oncology
6. Banner MDA
7. Caris Life Sciences
8. Lia's Photography
9. Nefer Kali Healing
10. CAAKE
11. 4CAHFoundation
12. Lori Lane Foundation
13. Living Oncology Foundation