

# RESEARCH ADVOCATE APPLICATION

Thank you for your interest in joining the Patient and Family Advisory Council for Quality (PFACQ) Research Advocate Subcommittee at Memorial Sloan Kettering (MSK). In this role, you will be connected with MSK researchers to provide the patient and caregiver perspective in research and clinical trial activities. Your participation includes:

- Sharing your story.
- Writing letters of support for grant applications.
- Reviewing summaries of research (called abstracts) and other grant materials.
- Providing feedback on grant applications.
- Serving as a member of the research team and providing the patient and caregiver perspective throughout the research study process.
- Assisting with other needs as identified by researchers.

Research advocates will also have the opportunity to become part of a forum for on-going training and dialogue between researchers and the patient community.

### **Eligibility**

You are eligible to apply if:

- You are a former or current patient who has been on a clinical trial.
- You are a caregiver for someone who has been on a clinical trial.

### **How To Apply**

We want to ensure that we match research advocates to opportunities that best fit their experience, interests, and availability. This is the application process:

- 1. Fill out the attached application.
- 2. Return the completed application and required documents to pfacq@mskcc.org.
- 3. After we review your application, we will contact you to set up an interview. You will interview via Zoom with current PFACQ Members and the PFACQ staff manager.

Note: If you are accepted into the PFACQ Research Advocate Subcommittee, you will be required to complete a self-paced training.

#### Questions

Please contact Elizabeth Dunlop, PFACQ Senior Manager at 646-888-5803.

Name:				Gender				Da	ite of	Birth:	
Address:											
Phone:					Email:						
History											
Patient Family Member/Caregiver Both		Patient Diagnosis:	Type of Cancer: Stage:				Year of diagnosis:  Age at diagnosis:				
Are you (or the person you are caring for) currently in active treatment?		Yes No Patient De		Do you have clini trial experience?			al	Yes No			
Clinical Trial Na	ame:				Clinical Trial Sta Date:	ırt			Tri	nical al End ite:	



Where are/were you (or the person you are caring for) receiving treatments?

## Please select all that apply

**New York City** 

Main Campus Koch Center

Evelyn H. Lauder Breast Center Josie Robertson Surgery Center 60th Street Outpatient Center 64th Street Outpatient Center

Ralph Lauren Center

Rockefeller Outpatient Pavilion (53rd Street)

Kimmel Center

**Brooklyn Infusion Center** 

Long Island

Commack Hauppauge Nassau

**New Jersey** 

Basking Ridge Bergen Monmouth

Westchester

What did the care involve for you (or the person you are caring for)?

## Please select all that apply

Surgery Chemotherapy

Radiation Immunotherapy

Interventional Radiology Psych/Counseling Services

Integrative Medicine (e.g.,

Social Work

massage, acupuncture)

Pain Management

Nutritional Counseling

Child Life Services

Bone Marrow/Stem Cell

Transplant

Chaplaincy/Spiritual Services

Other

Supportive Care

Physical/Occupational Therapy

## **Ares of Interest and Experience**

Why are you interested in providing the patient perspective in research discussions?



Describe the amount of time you are willing to commit to research advocacy. Describe your availability to participate in in-person and/or online meetings (for example, available only after 5 p.m., or only during lunch hours, etc.).	
Do you have current connections to a patient or research community? If so, please explain.	