Stomach Cancer Awareness. Know Your Risk. Know Your Family History.

Most common cancers worldwide:
1. Lung
2. Breast
3. Colorectal
4. Prostate
5. Stomach

Leading cause of cancer deaths worldwide:
1. Lung (1,590,000)
2. Liver (745,000)
3. Stomach (723,000)
4. Colorectal (694,000)
5. Breast (521,000)

DID YOU KNOW . . .
• It is estimated that one million people worldwide would be diagnosed with stomach cancer each year, and that 723,000 would die from the disease.
• that stomach cancer is the 5th most common malignancy in the world?
• that stomach cancer is the 3rd leading cause of cancer deaths worldwide?
• that stomach cancer is difficult to detect and is typically diagnosed in late stages?
• that you can help save lives by raising awareness of stomach cancer?
• that the 5-year survival rate for Stage IV stomach cancer patients is only 4% and the overall 5-year survival rate is about 29.3%?
• that approximately 1 in 111 men and women will be diagnosed with stomach cancer in their lifetime?
• that treatment of H. pylori infection (a common bacterial infection of the stomach) can decrease the risk of stomach cancer development?
• that Hereditary Diffuse Gastric Cancer (HDGC) is an inherited cancer (sometimes caused by a CDH1 gene mutation that leads to an increased risk for diffuse gastric cancer (>80% risk by age 80) and lobular breast cancer (42% risk for women by age 80) and may increase risk of colon cancer?
• that the National Institutes of Health invested $0 to fund stomach cancer research from 2011 to 2014?
• that the National Cancer Institute (NCI) invested only $11.2 million to fund stomach cancer research in 2013, while it is estimated that $1.8 billion will be spent on the care of stomach cancer patients in the United States in 2014?
• that stomach cancer received the least amount of NCI research dollars in 2013 when compared to research for other types of cancer?
• that only 0.23% of the National Cancer Institute’s 2013 budget was dedicated to stomach cancer?

TRUE OR FALSE (all true)
• Diet high in smoked, salted & pickled foods, tobacco use and obesity increase risk of stomach cancer.
• People who carry the BRCA1 and BRCA2 gene mutations, which increase the risk of breast and ovarian cancer, may also have an increased risk of developing stomach cancer.
• Stomach cancer can be hereditary, sometimes caused by a gene mutation. (CDH1 is one such gene)
• Preventive complete removal of the stomach is the treatment for those with a CDH1 gene mutation.
• Stomach, lobular breast and colon cancer are all risks for those with the CDH1 gene mutation.
• A person can live a normal life without a stomach.

Early Detection is the key to survival.
Know your risk. Know your family history. Share the facts.

Visit our website to learn more. Please call for more information or to find ways you can help.