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"I have no doubt that our EMR system will make us more efficient. No time lost on locating charts, prescriptions and refills faxed directly to the pharmacy, lab tests sent directly into the chart, and medication interactions flagged automatically. Of course, it has to be implemented right. In the end, EMR is just another tool; but it's a marvelous tool that will improve our patient care", says Dr. André K.D. Liem

Working Together With Colleagues.

What is the role of a specialist?

We are here to answer questions, help care for patients, and direct the hematology-oncology diagnosis and management of patients with active problems. We are here to help our colleagues including internists, primary care physicians, family practitioners, surgeons, radiation oncologists, and many specialists, addressing the many and diverse needs of our patients. We are here to communicate with our patients and colleagues so that we provide high quality efficient care and keep all of our patients safe.

We are fortunate to work with so many supportive and talented physicians in the communities we serve. We look forward to continue working together as we move forward.

Translational Oncology Research International (TORI)

The TORI Network continues to bring new cutting-edge clinical trial options to patients. Dr. Tchekmedyan says the network is critically important because it brings basic researchers and clinicians together to more rapidly translate new laboratory findings into useful therapies.

"Our TORI meetings are the best oncology meetings we attend. Researchers from the lab work together with clinicians in the most lively and productive exchanges we ever see. We have never missed any of these meetings, and we plan to not ever miss them as we move forward. It just does not get any better than that."

Electronic Medical Records

Our information technology department is humming! We are getting ready to "go live" with our new state-of-the-art electronic medical records system.

"But not so fast!" says Dr. Tchekmedyan.

"We want to be absolutely certain to preserve above all the quality of the patient and physician visit. Any technology we acquire needs to be there to make this encounter as pleasant, private, productive and helpful as possible. Anything that interferes with a fruitful and favorable environment for the patient and the doctor is out."

Dr. André Liem, who leads the electronic medical records team, understands this as well as anyone – he also is a busy practicing oncologist.

"I am happy to have Dr. Liem leading this project," Dr. Tchekmedyan says. "It really reflects how we operate. We are not hiring an outside vendor who is not a doctor to establish our EMR procedures. Instead, we have appointed an experienced, board certified hematologist-oncologist in our practice – who, by the way, is a computer genius as well – to direct this job and get it done right."

Infusion Centers

We have expanded and enhanced the intravenous infusion facilities in all of our offices during the last five years. This year, we added a new wing to our Long Beach infusion center. As new intravenous therapies that improve patient cure rates are approved, we continue to train our staff, update our procedures, and upgrade our facilities so our patients continue to obtain the best cancer care available.