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NRG Oncology is seeking an experienced Patient Advocate to serve as Chair for its Patient Advocate Committee.

This volunteer position provides the selected individual the responsibility of facilitating and guiding the NRG Oncology Patient Advocate Committee (PAC) and program through a process to update its vision and create an action plan to build on its success.

The ideal candidate to lead our program is an experienced Patient Advocate in the area of cancer research. The position requires a leader with the skills and abilities to coordinate and facilitate our volunteer advocates in refining and working toward a collective mission as part of NRG Oncology within the NCI National Clinical Trials Network (NCTN) and NCI Community Oncology Program as well as within the greater cancer research community. The position inherently requires an ability to successfully harness diverse perspectives and input into collective action, ease in speaking in front of others, persuasiveness, skillful relationship building, and clarity of vision. A background that provides business acumen and an understanding of the complexities associated with the development and support of large, federally funded multi-institutional clinical trials will help assure the success of the Chair and the PAC.

Full funding to attend the twice-annual NRG Oncology meetings is provided. Some funding may be available to support attendance at other related meetings as an NRG Oncology representative. Staff support to help manage rote administrative committee functions is provided.

NRG Oncology welcomes as much time as the individual is willing and able to provide, but the candidate should be prepared to contribute minimally enough time to plan and execute virtual PAC meetings regularly; attend the two semiannual meetings; engage regularly with NRG colleagues via phone/email as well as with the NCTN PAC; and keep abreast of the relevant activities of the committee, NRG Oncology, and the cancer research community overall. The Chair should expect to devote more time initially to help define and build collaboration in updating the vision and developing a roadmap with the committee.

Organization Overview: NRG Oncology is a non-profit research organization formed to conduct oncologic clinical research and to broadly disseminate study results to inform clinical decision making and healthcare policy. You can learn more about us at www.nrgoncology.org.
To apply: Interested candidates should email a cover letter and their CV to info@nrgoncology.org with the subject line “Patient Advocate Chair Position” by close of business on 02/07/2020.