

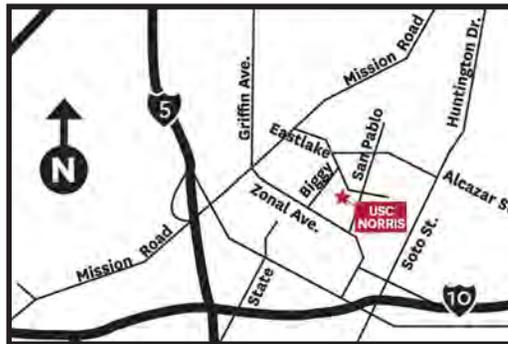
USC NORRIS COMPREHENSIVE CANCER CENTER

For more than 40 years, USC Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center has led the fight to make cancer a disease of the past. As one of the eight original comprehensive cancer centers designated by the National Cancer Institute, its mission is to translate scientific discoveries into innovative therapies for its patients. The cancer center's research breakthroughs have led the way to a greater understanding of the underlying causes of cancer and new methods of prevention, detection and treatment. Using a multidisciplinary team approach, its more than 250 dedicated physicians and scientists treat and prevent cancer by developing new therapies, enhancing existing protocols and providing personalized, precision care that offers patients hope.



Stephen B. Gruber, MD, PhD,
MPH, Director

We are committed to providing the best possible health-care experience for our patients and their loved ones. This includes making it easy to get to and from our facilities and find adequate parking. Complementary valet parking is available for patients at the entrance of USC Norris on Eastlake Avenue. They may also park free of charge in the Biggy Street parking structure at the corner of Zonal Avenue and Biggy Street.



For appointments, call
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USC CANCER GENETICS PROGRAM





**A MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM
APPROACH TO CANCER GENETICS.**

THE USC NORRIS CANCER GENETICS PROGRAM

The USC Cancer Genetics Program team offers services aimed at identifying inherited cancer risks. We provide appropriate options for cancer screening and prevention for you and your family members. Genetic testing is available for hereditary cancers including breast, ovarian, colorectal, uterine, pancreas, kidney, melanoma and other cancers.

Genetic counseling and cancer risk assessment is recommended for patients or their family members with:

- **Early ages of cancer diagnosis**
- **Multiple individuals in a family with cancer**

FAMILY HISTORY AND CANCER RISK

Not every family with cancer is a high-risk family. Genetics evaluation can help identify families who might have hereditary patterns of cancer. We will take your family history to assess cancer risk. Through the USC Cancer Genetics Program, we will explore the pros and cons of testing and answer some important questions before you make your decision. For example, what will a positive or negative test result mean for me and my family? Once I know my cancer risk, what are my options? How can cancer be prevented?

Because cancer prevention is our mission, those at high risk for cancer may be offered the opportunity to participate in innovative research projects for cancer prevention, detection and treatment currently under development at USC Norris.

THE BENEFITS OF EARLY DETECTION

If you have already had cancer, risk assessment provides better understanding of whether you might be at risk for other cancers. Knowing your family's cancer risk allows you to share potentially life-saving information with your relatives. Some other family members may be reassured by low risk, while others can get the prevention and care they need early, long before cancer develops.

A TEAM WITH UNPARALLELED EXPERIENCE

The Cancer Genetics team includes clinical and research expertise in genetics, oncology, cancer screening and prevention.

Cancer Genetic Counselors:

Julie Culver, MS, LCGC

Katrina Lowstuster, MS, LCGC

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