

## Soundbite Transcript - Finding Support during Cancer

**Jillayne Deno, oncology nurse navigator, OSF HealthCare**

“When I was offered the oncology nurse navigator position with OSF HealthCare I decided as one of my goals was to start a cancer support group for our community. I identified it as something that was lacking in our community and it was definitely something that was needed. I went in and sat in on a few support groups in hospitals to see how they ran their programs, and then I built our program to mimic what a lot of the other facilities were doing.”

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“There’s always support, always hope and joining together with other people and building those relationships to support each other; it’s very therapeutic whether you’re early on diagnosis or you’re a 20-year survivor.

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“I think some people are willing to reach out in person because you can read people better in person than you can online. But I’m hoping to visually see each other with the online platform – that we’ll still have that ability to reach out and read each other’s emotions and see what each other’s needs are, where they’re struggling and to support each other.”

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“I want people to know they’re never alone. No one has to do cancer alone. It doesn’t matter what kind of support they have at home. The cancer support group is built for people like us, people like you that have been through cancer who have felt those emotions that only a cancer survivor can feel.”