







# **January 2025 Circle of Support**



Circle of Support program provides support, education, and hope to patients in active cancer treatment through multiple diagnosis-specific and general support groups, mindfulness meditation and relaxation programs, educational programs, and occasional experiential workshops. The goal is to support patients through their cancer journey by providing a safe and non-judgmental space to talk about their specific challenges and experiences, and join with others who are in similar situations. Please call 732-235-6792 for information and to register.

## 2025 KICKOFF EVENT - Build Your Own Future and Create a Vision Board!

WHAT: Vision Board Workshop, facilitated by Gabrielle Stander, MSW, LSW, MAS

WHO: For all Rutgers Cancer Institute Patients

WHERE: Auditorium A

**WHEN:** Friday, 1/24/25, from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

ADDITIONAL INFO: Join us in-person or virtually through Zoom. All supplies provided, but you are encouraged to bring your own pictures.

Please RSVP by 1/17/25 by calling the Social Work Dept. at 732-235-6792

## VIRTUAL SUPPORT GROUPS - Ongoing Monthly

Programs are held virtually, Are open and free to patients, and may be open to family members.

Time to Talk Breast Cancer Support Group	First Tuesday of the month at 5PM
Living with Cancer Support Group	Second & Fourth Wednesday of the month at 5PM
Guided Imagery	Second & Fourth Tuesday of the month at 2PM
Gynecologic Support Group	Fourth Thursday of the month at 5PM
Self-Care for Caregivers	Second & Fourth Tuesday of the month at 12PM
Brain Tumor Support Group	Third Tuesday of the month at 2PM



## **HEALTHY & DELICIOUS - Butternut Squash, Carrot and Ginger Soup**



https://health.clevelandclinic.org/receipe-butternut-squash-carrot-and-ginger-soup



#### **Ingredients**

- 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive
- 8 ounces (1 ¼ cups) onion, diced (about 1 large onion)
- 9 ounces (2 cups) carrots, peeled and diced (about 4 medium carrots)
- 1 teaspoon fresh ginger, minced
- 46 ounces (9 cups) butternut squash, peeled, seeded and diced (about 3 medium squash, 5 ½ pounds whole)
- 10 cups liquid vegetable broth
- 1 pinch cayenne pepper (optional)

#### **Directions**

- In a pot, sauté the onion in olive oil on low flame until clear.
  - Add carrots and sauté 10 minutes.
- Add ginger and sauté 2 minutes.
- Add butternut squash and vegetable stock and bring to a boil, then turn heat to medium-low heat and simmer for 45 minutes
- Puree with a blender until smooth and serve.