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Dialogue 3

Culture, Ethnicity & Cancer Trials: Managing Communication Disparity

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Noon, Friday, November 30, 2007

Diabetes Research Institute, 1st Floor Conference Room

—————> Lunch will be provided <—————
(No RSVPs required)

This Dialogue will examine key gaps in what patients and families are told about cancer clinical trials. These gaps may be linked to clinician assumptions about patient ethnicity, cultural background and information preferences. The goal is to invite reflection and dialogue on the need for cultural competence and equity in current informed consent practices.

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