Both a stem cell transplant and CAR T-cell therapy are treatment options for certain patients with non-Hodgkin lymphoma. Learn the pros and cons of each therapy and which may be best for you.

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Time:  6:00 pm Eastern,  5:00 pm Central,  4:00 pm Mountain,  3:00 pm Pacific

Duration: 40 minutes presentation followed by 20 minutes of questions and answers

Presenter: Gary Simmons, DO, VCU Massey Cancer Center, Richmond VA.

Non-Hodgkin lymphoma is one of the most common cancers in the U.S, affecting approximately 80,000 new people each year. There are many different types of non-Hodgkin lymphoma and treatment options vary, depending on the type of lymphoma a patient has.

For those with an aggressive form of the disease, high-dose chemotherapy followed by an autologous stem cell transplant (a transplant using your own cells), has been a treatment option for those who are well enough to tolerate the treatment. Recently, a new type of therapy, called CAR T-cell therapy, has become a treatment option for some patients with non-Hodgkin lymphoma.

In this webinar you will learn:

- how CAR T-cell therapy differs from a stem cell transplant
- who is a candidate for a stem cell transplant and/or CAR T-cell therapy
- which option is best in the short- and long-term
- questions to ask your doctor when deciding the treatment strategy that is best for you

Bring your questions!

The webinar is free, but advance registration is required. All you will need to participate is a computer, smart phone or other electronic device.

About the Speaker
Gary Simmons, DO is a hematologist-oncologist specializing in stem cell transplantation and cellular immunotherapies for the treatment of blood cancers, including various forms of leukemia, myeloma and lymphoma. He serves as medical director of the ambulatory clinics and leads the research working group in the Cellular Immunotherapies and Transplant Program at VCU Massey Cancer Center in Richmond, VA.

Dr. Simmons, who is also an assistant professor at the Division of Hematology, Oncology and Palliative Care in the VCU Department of Internal Medicine, cherishes the time he spends with his patients and takes time to learn about their hobbies and other interests. “Stem cell transplants and cellular immunotherapies are complex treatments that can take months to complete. I want to take care of my patients through this challenging journey in their lives,” he says.

Outside of his time at Massey, Dr. Simmons runs — a lot. He takes part in 100+-mile ultramarathons and twice ran non-stop for 36 hours!

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