



2017 meeting of the NCI Patient Advocate Steering Committee (PASC)

In late October, patient advocates serving on various NCI committees and task forces participated in the Patient Advocate Steering Committee (PASC) to network, learn how to become more effective patient advocates and overcome barriers in research. Several ovarian cancer survivors were in attendance, including:

- Peg Ford and Susan Leighton serving on the Ovarian Cancer Task Force;
- Dawn Provenzale and Annie Ellis serving on the Gynecologic Cancer Steering Committee (GCSC); and
- Laurel Pracht serving on the Symptom Management and Health-Related Quality of Life Steering Committee (SxQOL).

For more information on the various committees:

PASC

<https://www.cancer.gov/about-nci/organization/ccct/steering-committees/patient-advocate>

GCSC

<https://www.cancer.gov/about-nci/organization/ccct/steering-committees/nctn/gynecologic>

SxQOL

<https://www.cancer.gov/about-nci/organization/ccct/steering-committees/ncorp/symptom-management>

All committees within the Coordinating Center for Clinical Trials (CCCT):

<https://www.cancer.gov/about-nci/organization/ccct/steering-committees>

For more information about patient advocate engagement with NCI, please see the NCI Office of Advocacy Relations: <https://www.cancer.gov/about-nci/organization/oar>

For more information about research advocacy at NCI, please see:

<https://www.cancer.gov/about-nci/organization/oar/research-advocacy>