Cancer Basics: Welcome

Welcome. My name is Jeanette Sheehy. I'm a public education researcher, and I'll be your guide throughout this course, our aim and the aim of this course, is to provide you with everything you need so you can understand the basics of cancer from how it grows to the latest advances in cancer care and treatment. Our team of experts and peer supports will explain to you the science behind cancer and cancer treatments, so that you're better able to interpret what your doctor's telling you. And ultimately, so you can advocate for yourself and access the latest advances in cancer care and make educated choices about your treatments. Part One of the course covers the basics: What is cancer how does it grow, What are the types of cancer, What are oncogenomics, standard treatments, and advanced treatments. Part two of the course covers self advocacy, self care, how to make the healthcare system work for you, information on personalized research, how you can do it for yourself and who we can contact, do it for you as well. And information on standard and advanced treatment monitoring. Our aim is to give you the building blocks so that you're able to make educated, confident decisions about your care or the care of a loved one.