

Implementing Germline and Somatic Testing for Precision Medicine in Community-Based Prostate Cancer Care

Visiting Professorship Program for Process Improvement

Program Description

This program is open to community-based urology and oncology practices ("Organizations") who aim to implement or expand germline and somatic testing for patients with prostate cancer, when clinically recommended.

Accepted Organizations will be matched with a Visiting Professor: a clinical expert whose skills meet your Organization's learning needs and goals related to germline and somatic testing as you outline them in your application below. Your Organization will then receive funding and support to host a half-day education program with your Visiting Professor, held onsite or near your Organization, to address your learning needs and goals.

After the onsite program with your Visiting Professor, your Organization will develop and implement a small process improvement project related to germline and somatic testing. Throughout this process, you will receive guidance and support from PCF and your Visiting Professor.

Organizations will receive a grant of **up to** \$50,000 to support these activities, based on their budget estimate in the application below. PCF will **separately** cover the cost of the Visiting Professor's travel expenses, honorarium, room rental, AV, and other facilities costs for the onsite program; therefore, please **do not** include these costs in your budget estimate.

PCF will review proposals and notify applicants of decisions. The program will take place over ~18 months from Q1 2027 to Q3 2028.

Proposals are due September 9, 2026, by 11:59 PM Pacific Time.

To apply, please fill out the application below and send it and the requested supporting materials to Ari Karon (akaron@pcf.org) and cc: Lori Carpenter (lori.carpenter@pfizer.com). Please see Additional Information (separate document) if you need further instructions and eligibility criteria. For further questions, email akaron@pcf.org.

Submitter Name and Title	
Organization Name	
Address	
Email	

Secondary Contact and Email
(if needed)

Description of Organization Applying

Describe your Organization: name, estimated number of patients with prostate cancer seen per year, and size of service area/ location (Please note: Individuals are not eligible to receive grants. All Organizations must meet Pfizer's eligibility criteria listed on **Section II. Eligibility of the separate Additional Information document.**)

Gaps, Questions, Training Needs

Describe your Organization's gaps, unmet needs, and/or questions related to germline and somatic testing for which a Visiting Professor could lead an education session. You may also include any training needs of your healthcare team, including physicians, advanced practice providers, nurses, and other allied health professionals. If appropriate, please note any care disparities or challenges that this program could impact.

Skills and Knowledge Needs and Program Format

May be attached separately or entered below.

To address your gaps and unmet needs, what skills or knowledge would you like your Visiting Professor to be able to share with your practice? These can be clinical/medical, workflow-related, etc; please be as specific as possible.

Please list the education format(s) you would like to receive during your half-day onsite program and during brief check-ins afterward. For example, lectures, patient case reviews, workflow reviews, informal discussions, and other meaningful interactions between the Visiting Professor and your organization's care team.

Outcomes Measurement

Please list 1-2 trackable outcomes (metrics) your Organization proposes to incorporate into your process improvement project. You will report these to PCF after your onsite program. For example, “We aim to increase testing of recommended patients by ~20% by adding a process of X to our existing workflows. We aim to improve our ability to identify patients who may need germline and somatic testing by implementing Y.” Outcomes also might include patient education materials, ongoing case reviews/rounds/clinical education sessions, etc. Metrics need to be trackable over time.

Participation in PCF Scientific Retreat and Video Interviews

In 2027, PCF will provide full registration and travel support for one participant per Organization to attend PCF Scientific Retreat, the world's foremost scientific conference on prostate cancer biology and treatment, held each autumn. After Organizations complete their projects, PCF will also conduct short video interviews in which participants describe their Organization's project goals, process, learnings, and any outcomes they want to highlight. These short interviews will be hosted on UroToday, a global education platform for urology and GU oncology.

Please indicate your Organization's interest and expected availability to take part in the 2027 PCF Scientific Retreat, and short video interview as described above.

Letter of Support from Organization Leadership

When emailing your application to akaron@pcf.org and lori.carpenter@pfizer.com please attach a letter of support from your Organization's leadership (e.g., Practice Manager, Practice Administrator, Medical Director, CEO, President, Managing Partner, or equivalent). This letter should confirm your Organization's support for hosting the Visiting Professor and implementing the small process improvement project afterward.

Program Budget

May be emailed as a separate attachment or entered below.

Please estimate your Organization's costs related to this program. May include costs related to:

- Onsite management and logistics of your Organization's half-day onsite program
- Staff time, materials, and other costs of planning and implementing your process improvement project
- Tracking your predefined metrics
- Costs to develop other activities that are part of your Organization's program plan

Your budget should not exceed \$50,000.

NOTE: Please DO NOT include any costs related to Visiting Professor travel, VP honoraria, room rental for onsite half-day VP program, AV for onsite VP half-day program, or other onsite facilities costs for the onsite program. PCF will cover these costs separately.

Onsite Management

Onsite Logistics (i.e., supplies and printing)

Program Planning and Implementation

Other (please list and explain)*

Additional Information

Please feel free to share any other information on why this program is important for your Organization.