ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT YOUR FAMILY HISTORY OF CANCER?

About 5-10% of cancers are hereditary, meaning they are caused by genetic differences that are passed down in a family. A meeting with a cancer genetics specialist may help determine the cause of cancer in your family and what to do next.

A visit to a genetics specialist can be helpful if...

- You or your parent, sibling, or child was diagnosed with cancer before the age of 50
- More than 3 people on the same side of your family have been diagnosed with the same type of cancer
- You or a family member has multiple tumors
- You or a family member has a rare form of cancer

How can a visit to a genetics specialist help me?

- They can assess if the cancer in your family is hereditary
- They can identify who in the family is at risk to develop hereditary cancer
- They can discuss available screening recommendations for those at risk

For more information about what types of cancers may be hereditary or to find a genetics specialist near you, scan the QR code or visit our website

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