

Speaking Out About A "Silent" Disease

(NAPSA)—It kills quickly and usually can't be detected until it's too late because it is difficult to diagnose, metastasizes rapidly and is highly resistant to treatment.

Pancreatic cancer is the fourth leading cancer killer in women and men in the U.S., yet funding for research is proportionately small.



Pancreatic cancer has been called a "silent" disease because the tumor can grow for many years before symptoms appear.

In response, The Lustgarten Foundation for Pancreatic Cancer Research funds scientific research and provides information to patients, families and medical practitioners.

Symptoms of pancreatic cancer can include: jaundice; itching; pain in upper abdomen and back; nausea; loss of appetite and weight; and weakness.

Treatments range from surgery for patients whose tumor is localized, radiation and anticancer drugs that destroy cancer cells.

More information can be found on the Web at www.Lustgarten.org or by calling 1-877-972-7373.