



## Smilow Cancer Hospital Oncologists Welcome New Haven Into Trials - OWN IT

Oncologists Welcome New Haven Into Trials, or OWN IT, is uniquely focused on helping the New Haven and surrounding communities to address the adverse statistics and disparities in healthcare, specifically for women with breast cancer. Led by Dr. Andrea Silber, the goal is to help educate women on the options available to them for their cancer care, including clinical trials, to ensure access to the most advanced care.

The goal of OWN IT is to get more minorities from inner city New Haven into clinical trials for new cancer treatments conducted at Smilow Cancer Hospital. Statistically, minorities are under-represented in clinical trials nationwide. One of OWN IT's priorities is to remove the barriers that often prevent minorities from participating in clinical trials, including potential mistrust of trials, lack of knowledge, availability of appropriate trials, and access.

The OWN IT Program includes highly trained physicians, nurses, and other healthcare professionals to provide the highest quality of comprehensive breast cancer care, timely and accurate diagnosis, patient navigation and coordination of appointments, advanced surgical techniques, radiation therapy, personalized treatments, symptom and side effect management, and survivorship care for patients.



*“I launched this program because so often when we see people of color with cancer, it’s worse in so many ways. They may come in later, or the onset may come at a much younger age, or they may have other chronic conditions that make it difficult to treat their cancer. I’ve had a long interest in decreasing these cancer health disparities in New Haven.”*

– Dr. Andrea Silber

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