

Dr. Joseph L. Pater

Dr. Pater is the vice president of clinical and translational research at Cancer Care Ontario and an emeritus professor at Queen's University in Kingston.

In 2007 Dr. Pater retired as the founding director of the National Cancer Institute of Canada's Clinical Trials Group (NCIC-CTG) at Queen's University. In his 27 years there he led over 300 clinical trials involving more than 45,000 patients, testing and validating new therapies that have changed the standard of care for people living with cancer worldwide. In the process, he established the NCIC-CTG as an internationally respected centre for cancer clinical trials.

At the time of his retirement, Dr. Pater was a member of the attending staff at Kingston General Hospital in the Department of Medicine Division of Hematology and Oncology and in the Department of Oncology. He was also a professor at Queen's University in the Department of Community Health and Epidemiology, the Department of Oncology and the Department of Medicine Division of Hematology and Oncology.

Dr. Pater completed his MD at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland in 1969 and his M.Sc. from McMaster in Hamilton 1976. He has also completed the Royal College of Physicians of Canada (FRCPC) training in hematology.

Dr. Pater is the recipient of numerous awards, including the O. Harold Warwick Prize for Cancer Control Research at NCIC in 2001, the Queen's University prize for Excellence in Research in 2004, the R.M. Taylor Medal and Award from the Canadian Cancer Society and NCIC in 2006, and the NCIC Diamond Jubilee Award in 2007.