# **BUILDING EQUAL ACCESS TOGETHER IN CANCER** (BEAT-C) NEWSLETTER



**GW** Cancer Center



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### **COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER** SPOTLIGHT Tahneezia Hammond



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Tahneezia's favorite part of being a community health worker is "being able to help patients solve problems and access resources. My support helps eliminate stress

and frustration that many patients feel navigating health care and resources."

## Did you know that April is Stress **Awareness Month?**

Resuming daily activities after a cancer diagnosis can be stressful. Try to make time for yourself to do activities that you enjoy. Relaxation, exercising, and emotional support can also help.

# **COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATION SPOTLIGHT**



Cancer Support Community (CSC) DC provides support, education, and hope to cancer patients, caregivers, and loved ones. Always free of charge, CSC DC offers a variety of virtual programs including support groups, healthy lifestyle activities, and mindfulness programs.

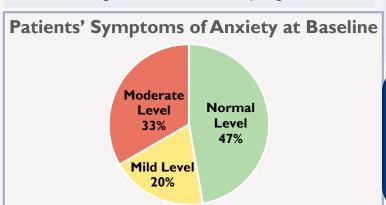
Join CSC DC for a live mindfulness and meditation practice every Wednesday from 2:00PM - 2:30PM.

To learn more about their programs, visit https://www.cancersupportdc.org/ or reach out to info@cancersupportdc.org or 202-659-9709 ext. 4698.

# **STUDY PROGRESS HIGHLIGHTS**

A total of 72 patients have enrolled in the study so far.

17 patients have completed the 6-month program, and all of them reported feeling satisfied with the program.



## These organizations also offer a variety of programs that could help with stress management:

- **Hope Connections**
- Smith Center for Healing and the Arts
- YMCA

\*Ask your community health worker about other resources in your community.

# PATIENT FEEDBACK SPOTLIGHT One patient said the community health worker's calls uplifted and motivated him to do better, and they helped him see things in a different way.