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Assemblyman Brian Maher knows cancer doesn't discriminate—

no matter one's age, background or lifestyle. Cancer remains one of the leading causes of death in New York and across the country, with nearly two million new cases expected to be diagnosed in the United States this year.¹ Early detection, access to care and strong public health awareness save lives.

That's why Assemblyman Brian Maher is standing with families, survivors and healthcare providers—advocating for expanded access to cancer screenings, stronger prevention programs and the resources communities need to fight back.



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Cancer Screening Facts and the Cancer Services Program (CSP):

Screening tests—like mammograms, Pap tests and FIT kits—can find certain cancers by detecting abnormal cells before they turn deadly.²

Free screenings are available for uninsured and underinsured New Yorkers in every county.³ CSP covers breast (40+), cervical (40+) and colorectal (45+) screenings and acts as a second payer for those with high deductibles or copays.⁴

If cancer is detected and you don't have insurance, CSP can help enroll you in the Medicaid Cancer Treatment Program (MCTP) to cover treatment costs.⁵

Assemblyman Maher is Making Smarter Choices Through Science

Chapter 754 of 2019 supports biomarker testing—a breakthrough tool that helps doctors match patients with the most effective, personalized treatments

This law ensures insurance must cover biomarker testing when medically necessary, so families aren't denied access to life-saving innovation.

Biomarker testing can reduce trial-and-error treatments, lower costs and improve survival rates by identifying what therapies work best for each patient.⁶

Resources.

Hospice of Orange & Sullivan Counties, Inc.
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Garnet Health Medical Center –
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