

# Dr. Linyee Chang

Caring for local cancer patients

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From “Madame Bovary” to “The Age of Innocence,” Linyee Chang loves reading the classics.

So it seems natural that she began college as an English major.

But her career plans changed when her father, now a retired vascular surgeon, inspired her with his love of medicine.

Today, Dr. Linyee Chang is a radiation oncologist with St. Charles Cancer Center. Recently she was named Clinical Director of Cancer Care.

Whether she is seeing patients or busy with administrative work, she’s passionate about bringing the best care to patients and about building a new cancer center.

Dr. Chang moved to Bend in 1994 after studying at Oregon Health & Science University and a residency in Portland. She works with her team to provide integrated care, which means that all health professionals caring for a patient are on the same page.

“We’re aligned with the best evidence-based processes, and we’re going to be in direct communication,” said Dr. Chang.

One step in that direction is constructing a physical center for cancer services. Dr. Chang has been a vocal advocate of the center, which she says is on track for next year.

“That’s been the dream for a number of years now,” said Dr. Chang. “So it totally will streamline the physical process for the patient.”

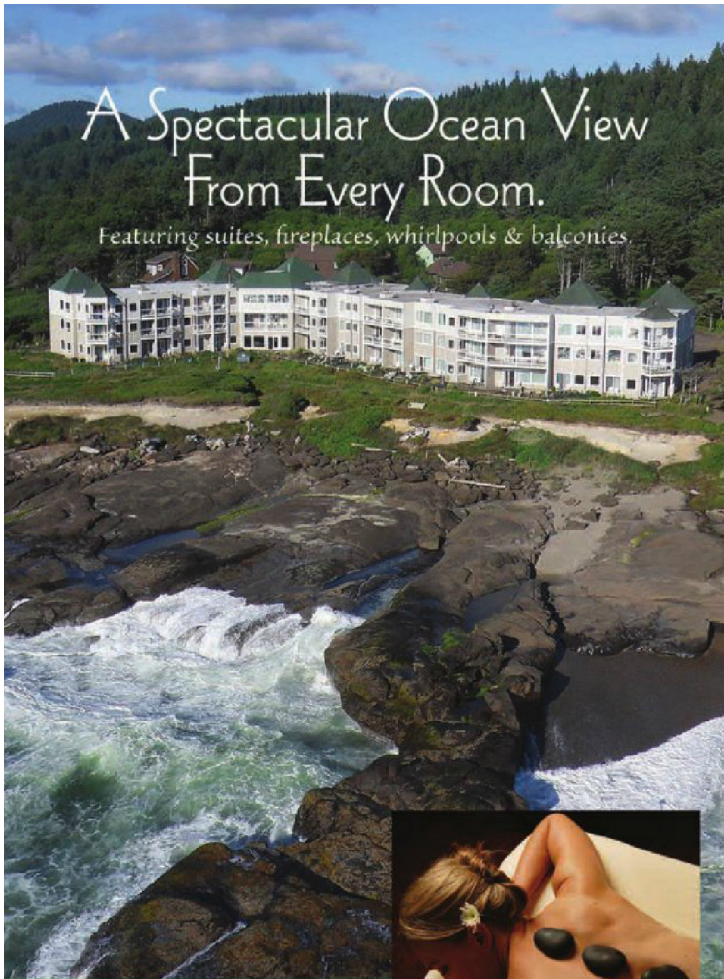



She has championed the center “to just about anyone who will listen to me” because she believes it will provide the best patient experience.

Dr. Chang makes the case by pointing out that her team already has state-of-the-art technology, excellent outcomes, and physicians and hospitals with great reputations — the missing link is

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said. "An altar is like a three-dimensional vision board — a visual representation of where she wants to be and what she wants to do. It is a collection of ordinary objects with special meaning to the person who created it."

One of Morgan's hobbies is collecting tea strainers, of which she has gathered 350 from her travels around the world. Her collection has been featured in three museums as well as a book on tea.

It seems Marcia Morgan has excelled at marrying her passions for social justice and travel along with the man she says she is "still smitten with."

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the physical center.

"Our community deserves one," said Dr. Chang.


Dr. Chang is also passionate about health education — for individual patients and for the public.

To realize the St. Charles Health System goal of impacting the health of the population, she is working toward proactive education about cancer prevention. That means taking the message of healthy eating and exercise to homes, schools and workplaces.



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