Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center (MSKCC) seeks an outstanding clinician scientist to serve as the Chief of the Psychiatry Service (Chief). This is a unique opportunity for an accomplished psychiatrist or psychologist scholar to advance the clinical services and academic accomplishments for the world’s largest psychiatric and behavioral service dedicated to those affected by cancer.

MSKCC pioneered the introduction of psychiatry in the oncology setting. Founded in 1977, the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences was the nation’s first group solely dedicated to clinical care, teaching, and research into the psychological aspects of cancer. Today, the faculty in the Department are established leaders in this arena. The Department’s 23 psychiatrists and psychologists care for approximately 2,500 patients each year and provide 10,000 follow-up visits to patients, their family members, and their loved ones. MSKCC is the largest national resource for training and research in psychiatric oncology, and represents one of a handful of sites for training in the psychological aspects of HIV/AIDS.

Reporting to Chairman of the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, William Breitbart, MD, the Chief will have academic, clinical, research and administrative responsibilities of the Service. The Chief will lead the continued development of the Service and advance a vision to integrate and advance the science and practice of psychosocial care for people affected by cancer.

MSKCC, the world’s oldest and largest private cancer center, has devoted more than 130 years to exceptional patient care, leading-edge research, and superb educational programs. Close collaboration between bench and clinical science is a unique strength of MSKCC, enabling the best available patient care as MSKCC works to discover more effective strategies to prevent, control, and ultimately cure cancer. MSKCC’s educational programs train many of the leading physicians and scientists of the future; the knowledge transmitted in the programs has far-reaching influence on cancer treatment and biomedical research around the globe.

The ideal candidate will have a track record of superior clinical service, academic and scientific accomplishment, excellence in teaching and leadership, and outstanding communication skills. Individuals should have the vision to integrate and advance the science and practice of psychosocial care for people affected by cancer. The Chief will work closely with members of other departments to foster a culture of outstanding, patient-centered care that builds on teamwork, value and MSK standards.

Psychiatrists with significant scientific and clinical achievement in the field of Psycho-oncology, or behavioral or psychosomatic medicine are encouraged to apply. Accomplished psychologists focused on psycho-oncology scholarship and clinical work will also be considered. Eligibility for licensure in New York is required. A Psychiatrist candidate must possess appropriate Board certification in Psychiatry, Ph.D. candidates should have advanced postdoctoral research training in psycho-oncology. All candidates must be qualified for an appointment for the faculty of MSKCC at the Associate Attending level or higher. For more information, please contact MSKCC’s consultants, Jeff Schroetlin and Linda Komnick, at jeffs@wittkieffer.com or 630-575-6972.