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Translational Research

Lead
Initiative for Molecular and
Genomic Evaluation of Cancer
Paul G. Allen Research Center

With Swedish since: 1981

Education:

- University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry (M.D.)
- University of Washington (internship, internal medicine)
- University of Washington (residency, internal medicine)
- University of Washington (chief resident)
- National Institutes of Health, National Cancer Institute (clinical associate)

Past positions:

- Assistant Professor of Medicine, Brown University
- Adjunct Professor of Pharmacy, University of Rhode Island

Hank Kaplan, M.D., will lead the Initiative for

Molecular and Genomic Evaluation of Cancer at the Paul G. Allen Research Center at Swedish Cancer Institute. Dr. Kaplan's work will focus on genomics and building a future where doctors will use precision oncology and genetics to tailor cancer treatments for every patient.

For decades, Dr. Kaplan has applied this vision to his work at Swedish as a breast cancer physician and senior researcher. Much of his work has focused on areas that were once beyond even the farthest-thinking imaginations. Dr. Kaplan is a co-creator of the landmark Swedish Breast Cancer Registry, an extensive database of thousands of patients with breast cancer that's provided critical data for groundbreaking studies on cancer evolution and treatment. Dr. Kaplan's efforts have also been the cornerstone for major advances in cancer evaluation, monitoring and prediction.

"The work at the Paul G. Allen Research Center will change the world over the next 10 years," says Dr. Kaplan. "We want to make cancer a curable disease. And for those people who are at risk, uncover some of the causes so they never get it."

In addition to his work at Swedish, Dr. Kaplan serves as a clinical associate professor of medicine at the University of Washington. He is also the author or co-author of [numerous publications](#).

Dr. Kaplan and his wife live on Mercer Island, near their only daughter and her family. The Kaplans enjoy spending as much time as possible with their two granddaughters, and in his spare time Dr. Kaplan is an avid hiker, backpacker and photographer.

