



## The Promise of Patient Engagement in Cancer Research

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**Time:** 12:30 – 1:00 p.m. CST (10:30 – 11:00 a.m. PST)  
**Location:** 1000 MNTL at Illinois (KL 361 at UC Merced)

### Bio:

Leslie Hammersmith is a Senior Manager in Learning Technologies at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. A 6-year breast cancer survivor diagnosed at the age of 36, Leslie is a trained Cancer Research Advocate. She was a keynote speaker at the Society for Clinical Research Associates 2012 Annual Conference and has certification from AACR Scientist Survivor Program, Research Advocacy Network, Coalition of Cancer Cooperative Groups Patient Advocate training, and ASCO Patient Advocate programs. In 2009 Leslie was a founding member of the Champaign-Urbana Affiliate of Young Survival Coalition, the premier global organization dedicated to the critical issues unique to young women who are diagnosed with breast cancer. Leslie is a member of the YSC Research Think Tank, which is bringing together the research, advocacy and clinical communities to identify key research areas specific to improving the quality and quantity of life for young women affected by breast cancer.

### Seminar Presented by:

