



*Nip*

**Neoplasm Interception Program™**

*The Beginning of the End of Cancer*

The National Cancer Centre will be introducing a comprehensive cancer-screening program in December 2005. To nip cancer in the bud through screening gives the best chance for cure. Hence, “Nip” (Neoplasm Interception Program) – the name of the program. It is unique for its thorough cancer risk evaluation prior to recommendation of a screening program specifically tailored to the individual’s risk profile.

A detailed medical and family history will be asked for and analyzed during the initial check-up. A thorough physical examination will also be done. Risk for major cancers will then be determined. High-risk individuals may require additional special screening tests and/or standard tests at increased frequency compared to those with average risk for cancer. We believe that there is no “standard” package of tests that will be appropriate for everyone. Each individual is unique. Only screening tests that the individual needs, based on risk profile, will be recommended.

The screening tests will include, but are not limited to, blood tests, x-rays, mammogram, ultrasound, CT scans, MRI, and endoscopy. These tests will be done over one and a half days within National Cancer Centre as a one-stop service. A detailed explanation of all the test results and discussion for subsequent screening schedule or follow-up action for abnormal tests will take place at the second visit.

We are hopeful that the end of cancer will truly begin with “Nip”.

*Bookings for “Nip” will open on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2005. The “Nip” hotline is 6436 8383 for appointment bookings and general enquires.*