

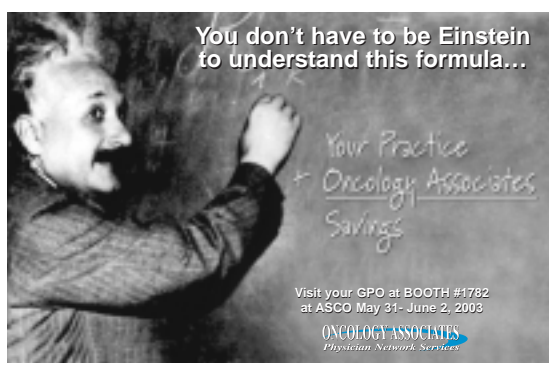
# COMMITMENT, CARING AND COMPASSION AT ASCO

The American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) Annual Meeting is the premier educational and scientific event for oncology professionals and the year's largest oncology event. Held in the windy city of Chicago, IL, May 30-June 2, 2003, Oncology Associates participated in many activities on behalf of our members over the weekend.

The theme of this year's ASCO Annual Meeting was Commitment. Care. Compassion: Honoring People with Cancer. The theme pays tribute to the doctor/patient partnership and is designed to embrace the important role of the patient in the continued quest for a cure.

Oncology Associates used its time during the show to meet with members at the booth, attend lectures, and reinforce key relationships with our manufacturing partners. We thank our members and partners for their tremendous support of the group at this year's ASCO Conference. Your positive energy enables our team to provide you with the tools needed to maintain a competitive edge in the marketplace. Look for continued value in our product and service agreements.

**The OA booth was bustling with activity at the recent ASCO show.**



## ONCOLOGY ASSOCIATES MEDICAL DIRECTOR NAMED TO THE 2003 ASCO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CLEVELAND, OH – April 8, 2003 – Oncology Associates

Oncology Associates, a specialty group purchasing and physician network services organization is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Joseph DiBenedetto, Jr., MD, to the Board of the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO). Dr. DiBenedetto assumes the Community Oncology seat on the ASCO Board and will serve a three-year term beginning June 2, 2003.

Dr. DiBenedetto is currently Medical Director for Oncology Associates and is a medical oncologist in private practice in Providence, Rhode Island, where he is associated with four other physicians and is part of Oncology/Hematology Associates. He is also a Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine at Brown University School of Medicine.

"Dr. DiBenedetto's appointment to the Board of ASCO is well deserved for his many years as a pioneer in private oncology practice," states John Christopher, President of Oncology Associates. "His involvement in this organization will greatly benefit Oncology Associates' members as well as all community based oncologists by providing much needed real word input to the ongoing process of working with government and third party payers, thus improving services for cancer patients."