

# 2018 WVU CANCER INSTITUTE HARDESTY LECTURE

## THE POWER OF RESEARCH, THE PROMISE OF HOPE



**Ned Sharpless, MD**  
Director, National Cancer Institute

**October 18, 2018 | 4 p.m.**  
**Okey Patteson Auditorium**

*Dedication & Reception starting at 2:30 - look for tent on BRNI lawn adjacent to Cancer Institute*

Norman E. "Ned" Sharpless, M.D., was officially sworn in as the 15th director of the National Cancer Institute (NCI) on October 17, 2017. Prior to his appointment, Dr. Sharpless served as the director of the University of North Carolina (UNC) Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center, a position he held since January 2014.

In addition to serving as Director of NCI, Dr. Sharpless continues his research in understanding the biology of the aging process that promotes the conversion of normal self-renewing cells into dysfunctional cancer cells. Dr. Sharpless has made seminal contributions to the understanding of the relationship between aging and cancer, and in the preclinical development of novel therapeutics for melanoma, lung cancer, and breast cancer.

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## Hardesty Lecture Series

The WVU Cancer Institute proudly presents the annual Hardesty Lecture, established by David and Susan Hardesty. This special lecture series brings renowned cancer scientists and physicians to the WVU campus for the benefit of the University and the Morgantown community.

The series is an opportunity to bring experts to campus and provide extensive interactions with graduate students, medical practitioners for workshops and informal engagements that foster growth and encourage curiosity. It was created as a tribute to this couple's loyal devotion and outstanding service to their alma mater and their tremendous impact on the University's growth and development.

# 2018 Annual Hardesty Lecture

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