

# PAIN AND/OR HOSPICE PRECEPTORSHIP PROGRAM

## PURPOSE:

The purpose of this clinical program is to provide registered oncology nurses with a mechanism to formalize clinical training and experiences with experts in the field of pain management and/or hospice care. The goal will be to use this foundation knowledge to return to their home institution and act as a catalyst to bring pain management and/or hospice care issues to the forefront of their clinical program.

## THREE CLINICAL TRACKS ARE AVAILABLE (Applicant will select one track)

- Track #1 Pain Management (3-day or 5-day)
- Track #2 Hospice Care (3-days)
- Track #3 Pain Management AND Hospice Care (5-days)

## OBJECTIVES:

After completing this clinical preceptorship program, the participant will:

1. Observe or participate in the intake and initial assessment or reassessment process of selected patients in one or more of the following settings (Based on availability and applicant's goals): In-patient Unit; Out-Patient Clinic; Home Hospice
2. Identify an appropriate plan of care for the management of selected symptoms based on a review of pertinent pathophysiology and analysis of assessment information for designated patients/clients.
3. Examine the interdisciplinary approach utilized in establishing a collaborative plan of care.
4. Explore a variety of patient and staff educational resources that may be useful in the ongoing development of a pain management and/or hospice care program [within the institution of employment].

**PRECEPTORSHIP FACULTY** will work as mentors with participants to identify barriers to change and help develop a strategy for initiating the change process in their organization

## TARGET PARTICIPANTS:

Participant should have 3-5 years of oncology nursing experience with some background in pain and/or hospice or palliative care and be a seasoned member of the health care team. The candidate for this program should possess excellent clinical skills, communications skills and have a good working relationship with the medical, nursing and administrative staff of their institution. The institution should select a candidate who has the personality to affect positive change as well as be in a position to affect change if necessary to provide comprehensive pain management and end of life care to patients and family members.

**SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION** of this activity requires:

- ❖ Attendance at all scheduled days of the clinical program
- ❖ Successful performance/achievement of curriculum objectives
- ❖ Completion of Program Evaluation

## CONTACT HOURS:

- 21 (3-day Program )
- 35 (5-day Program)

## APPLICATION PROCESS:

Please call Joan Wagner (215-728-2576)

To request an application packet and further instructions. Acceptance to the program is subject to review by the program planning committee and the clinical faculty.

## FEE:

3-Day Program: \$375

5-Day Program: \$625

**(FCCC Partner discount does not apply for this clinical program)**