

## **Susan D. Flynn Oncology Nursing Fellowship 2017 Program Summary**

### **Purpose**

The **Susan D. Flynn Oncology Nursing Fellowship Program** is designed to help stimulate career interest and foster the professional development of potential pediatric oncology nurses. The purpose of the Fellowship is to provide aspiring nurses with comprehensive clinical exposure to oncology nursing and to “best practices” in compassionate care. This enriching experience will also involve classroom time, including weekly “Lunch and Learn” educational sessions. Fellows will be provided the opportunity to participate in shadow days observing oncology related nursing roles across the full continuum of cancer care.

### **Program Scope**

The Fellowship Program at the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia will include a comprehensive scope of direct care, observation and learning experiences in Pediatric Oncology, including but not limited to:

- Inpatient and Outpatient Oncology Nursing
  - Roles/responsibilities
  - Applied practice
  - Specialties, including:
    - Neuro Oncology
    - Leukemia/Lymphoma
    - Solid Tumors
    - Bone Marrow Transplant
    - Radiation Oncology
- Clinical Research and Evidence Based Practice
- Palliative Care
- Advanced Practice Nursing
- Survivorship
- Psychosocial Support Services
- Patient/Family Education

Flynn Fellows will be required to complete and present an Evidence-Based Practice (EBP) project at the end of the fellowship. The EBP Project is an opportunity for each Flynn Fellow to utilize the principles and context of EBP to evaluate a nursing policy, nursing practice or procedure and make recommendations based on current evidence.

In addition to these learning opportunities, Flynn Fellows will also have the opportunity to take part in learning experiences alongside nursing students who are part of the summer Nurse Extern Program provided by CHOP.

### **Program Schedule**

The program will span ten (10) weeks length from May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 through July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and will be conducted at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia in Philadelphia, PA. Each fellow will work 36 hours per week.

### **Compensation**

The student nurses will be paid a competitive hourly rate for the Fellowship during this 10-week program at \$13.55 per hour.

### **Application Process**

This Fellowship is being offered to four (4) eligible "rising senior" nursing students. They will be selected by a CHOP committee from competitive undergraduate nursing schools.

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- 3.4 GPA or higher
- In good academic standing
- Demonstrate leadership material

Students who have expressed a strong interest in pediatric oncology will be invited to apply for the Flynn Oncology Nursing Fellowship Program. In order to be considered for the Fellowship, the applicants should complete an essay up to 3 pages in length sharing:

1. Why they are interested in pediatric oncology nursing
2. Career goals
3. How this fellowship will assist them in attaining those goals

Essays should be forwarded to [NewRNTalentPool@email.chop.edu](mailto:NewRNTalentPool@email.chop.edu) no later than Friday January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Interviews will be conducted on February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Applicants will be reviewed and successful candidates will be notified by April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

All applicants are required to:

- Submit an online application
- Express a strong interest in Pediatric Oncology
- Submit the following supplemental items:
  - Pediatric Oncology Essay
  - Official School Transcript
  - References through on-line reference survey