



## Susan D. Flynn Oncology Nursing Fellowship at Smilow Cancer Hospital Program Summary: Summer 2023

**Purpose:** The Susan D. Flynn Oncology Nursing Fellowship Program at Smilow Cancer Hospital is intended to help stimulate the career interest and foster the professional development of future Oncology Nurses. This fellowship will enhance the student's core clinical education through direct observation and exposure to oncology nursing care. Through this experience, students will learn about the various oncology nursing roles and responsibilities and discover possible career opportunities. The fellowship program includes a comprehensive scope of direct observational and learning experiences, including exposure to:

- Oncology Nursing throughout the care continuum (possible roles/typical responsibilities, applied practice, career opportunities) including:
  - Medical Oncology
  - Radiation Therapy
  - Surgery (including OR experiences)
- Infusion Services & Chemotherapeutic agents
- Cancer Research & Clinical Trials through Yale University
- Palliative Care (benefits, resources, services)
- Patient Support Programs
- Various Internal Oncology-Related Forums and Oncology Nursing Education Programs

In addition, as part of this learning/development experience, the Fellows will complete an “evidence-based practice” (“EBP”) research project in some aspect of Oncology Nursing. The topic of the project will be selected by the Fellow. Project presentations will take place at the completion of the program to the Smilow nursing team and various leaders during the Fellowship Graduation Ceremony. Parents, grandparents and siblings are invited.

**Program Schedule:** Program will span eight (8) weeks in length beginning on Monday June 5<sup>th</sup> and ending on Friday July 28<sup>th</sup>. Fellowship sites will be offered at Smilow Greenwich/Long Ridge in Greenwich, CT; Smilow Trumbull/Fairfield in Bridgeport, CT; and Smilow Cancer Hospital in New Haven, CT. The schedule will include five weekday shifts per week.

**Compensation:** The student nurse will be paid a competitive stipend for this Fellowship program.

**Application Process:** This Fellowship is being offered to eight (8) rising nursing seniors from an accredited BSN nursing program. Two students will be placed at Smilow Greenwich/Long Ridge; 2 at Smilow Trumbull/Fairfield; and 4 at Smilow Cancer Hospital in New Haven, CT. Please note your fellowship site preference on your application. Before applying, it is imperative to ensure your ability to attend the 8 week program in its entirety. Applicants must have achieved and maintained a 3.0 GPA and be in good standing. To apply, interested students must submit the following:

1. Resume
2. Transcript
3. Two (2) reference letters from recent professors, teachers, and/or clinical staff (within last 3 years)
4. 1-2 page Essay on why you are interested in becoming an Oncology Nurse
5. Site preference

Applications should be sent via email to: Kristina Capretti, Clinical Program Director  
[kristina.capretti@greenwichhospital.org](mailto:kristina.capretti@greenwichhospital.org)

**\*\*\*\* Applications must be received by Tuesday January 31st, 2023 to be eligible for consideration\*\*\*\***

Any questions regarding this program or the application process should be directed to Kristina Capretti, Clinical Program Director, Smilow Cancer Care Center at Greenwich Hospital, 475-240-8321, [kristina.capretti@greenwichhospital.org](mailto:kristina.capretti@greenwichhospital.org)