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EDUCATION

Doctorate in Nursing Practice, August 2020

- School of Nursing, Simmons University, Boston, MA
- Focus in Executive Leadership

Master's in Science of Nursing, May 2013

- School of Nursing, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
- Adult and Gerontology Nurse Practitioner with Oncology Focus

Bachelor's in Science of Nursing, May 2009

- School of Nursing, University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Faculty Leader, Direct-Entry Nursing Program, Northeastern University, Boston, MA

September 2023-present

- Admissions and enrollment:
 - Work directly with the graduate admissions office and Graduate Nursing Program Directors
 - Reviews and analyzes all DE applicants and makes decisions regarding admission
 - Manage all communications from potential applicants, answers questions, and helps provide supports as necessary
 - Runs information sessions managed by and with the Graduate Admissions Department
 - Work with SON Leadership, Bouve Leadership and Admissions and Enrollment Management in decisions and planning for recruitment or program updates and changes
- Ongoing support:
 - Hold synchronous virtual or in-person meetings with students to provide support and information
 - Designate a DE Student Ambassador each year and works closely with that student related to ongoing information sessions and student mentoring
 - Facilitate the DE Coop courses NRSG 6864 (Professional Development Seminar) and 6964 (Coop Work Experience) – two 0 credit courses to keep students enrolled prior to the start of the graduate program
 - Serve as an academic and professional mentor
 - Assist incoming students with program readiness (ex. Purchasing lab supplies, uniforms, course registration)
 - Provide ongoing support and outreach to ensure program satisfaction, student support and program quality

Assistant Clinical Professor, Bouvé College School of Nursing, Northeastern University, Boston, MA

September 2022-present

- Assistant clinical professor in the undergraduate and graduate nursing programs
- Chair of the School of Nursing Academic Standing Committee (October 2022 – present)
- Member of the Undergraduate Curriculum and Evaluation Committee (October 2022 – present)
- Course lead for Nursing Care of Adults 1, Nursing Care of Adults 1 Clinical, and Healthcare Systems and Professional Role Development (August 2023 – present)
- Member of the Simulation Committee (September 2023 – present)

Teaching Experience

- *Undergraduate BSN and DE Programs – face-to-face*
 - Influences on Health and Illness: A Nursing Perspective (Fall 2022)
 - Introduction to Health Assessment Lab (Fall 2022)
 - College: An Introduction (Fall 2022)
 - Nursing Care of Adults 1 (Spring 2023 – present)
 - Nursing Care of Adults 1 Clinical (Spring 2023)
 - Introduction to Research Methods (Summer 2023)

- Graduate AGNP Program – face-to-face and remote
 - Adult/Older Adult Practicum 1 (Fall 2022)
 - Adult/Older Adult Practicum 2 (Spring 2023)
 - Healthcare Systems and Professional Role Development (Fall 2023 – present)

Simulation Experience

- Completed Center for Medical Simulation (CMS) Introduction to Simulation Instructor Training (March 2023)
- Developed and implemented a pain assessment and management simulation for Nursing Care of Adults 1 (April 2023)

Oncology Adult Nurse Practitioner, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA

August 2023-present

- Nurse practitioner on an inpatient hematology-oncology and stem cell transplant unit

Contractor, Study.com

May 2023-September 2023

- Developing NCLEX-style practice questions with explanations for prelicensure nursing students to use through the Study.com platform

Clinical Oncology Consultant, Cancer Guidance Program, Optum

November 2021-June 2023

- Utilization management for oncology treatment plans for Medicare, Medicaid, and several major commercial insurance providers
- Maintain knowledge of evidence-based practice in oncology, specifically of the National Comprehensive Cancer Network guidelines
- Collaborate with prescribing providers to choose chemotherapy regimens that have the highest level of evidence

Breast Health Nurse Practitioner, Melrose-Wakefield Breast Health Center, Stoneham, MA

March 2020-November 2021

- Nurse practitioner in a breast health center caring for patients with both benign and malignant breast disease
- Lead the effort to obtain accreditation from the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers (NAPBC)

Program Manager of Immune Effector Cell (IEC) Therapy Program, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, MA

March 2017-March 2020

- Integral part of task force to develop structure of program, program manager role, and program nurse role, managing patients involved in engineered cell therapies across several disease centers
- Management of ongoing IEC program growth and development
- Act as liaison between PI, apheresis, cell processing facility, nursing, physicians, ICU, ED, and QA
- Provide in-person educational sessions, scheduled and ad hoc, for inpatient and outpatient nurses and clinicians
- Developed clinician and patient educational resources in the form of online courses, websites, and booklets
- Advise and assist in outcome reporting with cell therapy QA
- Advise and assist in SOP development for IEC therapies
- Advise on FACT compliance
- Maintained clinical practice within IEC and lymphoma program

Adult Oncology Nurse Practitioner, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, MA

July 2015-March 2017

- Stem cell transplant outpatient setting
- Developed the nurse practitioner role to evaluate and coordinate care for autologous stem cell patients during stem cell mobilization and collection (apheresis)
- Streamlined the care provided between the transplant teams and the stem cell collection center
- Completed CPIP course in June 2016 and presented data showing improved efficiency of stem cell mobilization and collection with the addition of the nurse practitioner role
- Evaluate related and unrelated stem cell donors for suitability and eligibility, while providing care during the mobilization and collection process

Oncology Adult Nurse Practitioner, Lowell General Hospital, Lowell, MA

November 2014-May 2015

- Hematology/oncology outpatient setting
- Provider for 16-chair infusion room where patients are getting active treatment
- Available provider for nurses and patients in the infusion room

- Evaluated patients in follow up, monitoring labs and scans, adjusting plan of care as necessary
- Collaborated with oncologists to develop treatment plans and changes to plan of care

Oncology Adult Nurse Practitioner, Duke University Hospital, Durham, NC

July 2013-November 2014

- Bone marrow transplant inpatient unit and outpatient clinic
- Worked in a group of advanced practice providers rotating between inpatient and outpatient settings

Oncology Nurse, North Carolina Cancer Hospital, Chapel Hill, NC

August 2009-July 2013

- Hematology/oncology inpatient unit
- Completion of University of North Carolina Hospital Nurse Residence Program
- Promoted to Clinical Nurse II in August 2010
- Committee involvement
 - Documentation audits - monthly electronic chart audit of nursing assessment
 - NPSG audits - monthly observational audit assessing compliancy with National Patient Safety Goals

PRESENTATIONS

“Management of Toxicities Related to CAR T Cell Therapy” *September 2019*

Oral and PowerPoint presentation at the NCCN Nursing Forum in San Francisco, CA

“Advanced Practice Providers and CAR T Cell Therapy” *August 2019*

Oral and PowerPoint presentation at the Association of Physician Assistants in Oncology (APAO) Conference in Boston, MA

“Optimizing the Care of Patients Receiving CAR T Cell Therapy” *September 2018*

Oral and PowerPoint presentation at the NCCN Nursing Forum in New York, NY

“Practical Management of CAR T Cell Therapy: A Nursing Perspective” *June 2018*

Oral and PowerPoint presentation at the European Hematology Association Congress in Stockholm, Sweden

“Establishing nursing roles in an IEC program to ensure safe patient passage” *May 2018*

Oral and poster presentation, co-authored with Kathleen McDermott, RN at Oncology Nursing Society Congress in Washington, DC

“Understanding Cytokine Release Syndrome and Neurotoxicity Associated with CAR T Cells” *May 2018*

Oral and PowerPoint presentation at the Entering the Mind Zone nursing conference in Boston, MA

“Developing a Program for Immune Effector Cell Therapies” *March 2018*

Oral and PowerPoint presentation for the Massachusetts Association of Blood Banks in Boston, MA

“NCCN Task Force: Nursing Roles in CAR T Cell Administration and Toxicity Management” *March 2018*

Oral and PowerPoint presentation for the NCCN CAR T Cell Therapy Task Force in Philadelphia, PA

“Immune Effector Cell Therapy: Educating our Clinicians and Nurses” *November 2017*

Oral and PowerPoint presentation for NCCN Best Practices WebEx Series

“Developing an Immune Effector Cell Therapy Program” *October 2017*

Oral and PowerPoint presentation to the National Cancer Institute’s CNOs in Boston, MA

“Developing an Immune Effector Cell Therapy Program” *September 2017*

Oral and PowerPoint presentation at the CAR-TCR Summit in Boston, MA

“Palliative Sedation: An Analysis of International Guidelines and Position Statements” *April 2013*

Oral presentation based on published literature review to Palliative Care and Geriatric Medicine providers at University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

“A Descriptive Study of Team-Based Well-Child Care in The Netherlands” *April 2009*

Poster presentation at the Undergraduate Research Symposium

Open to university faculty and students at the University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH

“A Descriptive Study of Team-Based Well-Child Care in The Netherlands” *October 2008*

Oral and PowerPoint presentation at the International Research Opportunities Program Research Symposium
Open to university faculty, family and grant recipients at the University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH

ADVISORY BOARDS

Celgene CAR T Cell Therapy Advisory Board Meeting *October 2019*

Scientific advisor in meeting for nursing roles in CAR T cell therapy with Celgene in New York, NY

Deloitte CAR T Industry Working Group *September 2019*

Provided clinical perspective in an industry working group organized by Deloitte to explore pain points in providing CAR T cell therapy, Boston, MA

Juno Therapeutics CAR T Cell Nurse Advisory Board *June 2018*

Scientific advisor in meeting for nursing roles in CAR T cell therapy in Dallas, TX

National Comprehensive Cancer Network CAR T Cell Therapy Task Force *March 2018*

Nursing representative and participant in task force to develop a consensus statement on CAR T cell therapy in Philadelphia, PA

Celgene CAR T Cell Therapy Advisory Board Meeting *November 2017*

Scientific advisor in meeting for nursing roles in CAR T cell therapy with Celgene in New York, NY

PUBLICATIONS

Spendley, L., Stankard, K. "Verbal Case Reports for Adult Nurse Practitioner Students," (JNE-2023-322R2, Syllabus Selection), has been accepted for publication in the Journal of Nursing Education.

McDermott, K., **Spendley, L.** (2019). Anti-CD19 CAR T-cell therapy for adult patients with refractory large B-cell lymphoma. *Journal of the Advanced Practitioner in Oncology, (10)3*, 11-20.

Rubin, D.B., Danish, H.H., Ali, A.B., Li, K., LaRose, S., Monk, A. D., ... **Spendley, L.**, ... Vaitkevicius, H. (2019). Neurological toxicities associated with chimeric antigen receptor T-cell therapy. *Brain: A Journal of Neurology, 142(5)*, 1334–1348.

Ogba, N., Arwood, N.M., Bartlett, N.L., Bloom, M., Brown, P., Brown, C., ... **Spendley, L.**, ... Rosen, S.T. (2018). NCCN task force report: Chimeric antigen receptor T-cell therapy, *Journal of the National Comprehensive Cancer Network*.

Gurschick, L., Mayer, D. K., & Hanson, L. C. (2015). Palliative sedation: An analysis of international guidelines and position statements. *American Journal of Hospice and Palliative Medicine, 32(6)*, 660–671.

Gurschick, L. (2013). Anxiety in patients with cancer. *InPractice*. Retrieved from: <http://www.inpractice.com/Textbooks/Oncology-Nursing/Cancer-Psychosocial-Care/Anxiety.aspx>

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Practice Improvement Project, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute/Simmons University

May 2019-March 2020

- Assessing the comprehensiveness of nursing documentation of CAR T therapy-related toxicities with the intervention of a toxicity-specific EMR flowsheet (DNP Capstone Project)

Observational Study, School of Nursing, University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH

March 2009

- Observed community nursing practice and pediatric oncology clinic in Celaya, Mexico for 2 weeks
- Developed and implemented an education plan about therapeutic communication in nursing practice for nursing students at university in Celaya, Mexico

Primary Investigator, School of Nursing, University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH

August 2007-May 2008

- Funded independent research project conducted in the Netherlands for 2 months in Spring 2008
- Developed project with professor, nurse practitioner August 2007-May 2008
- Traveled and lived independently in Rotterdam, Netherlands May-July 2008

- Conducted qualitative interviews with Dutch nurses, doctors, and management
- Observed well-child visits in pediatric clinics
- Analyzed data to understand the Dutch well-child care system
- Delivered oral presentation of research at the International Research Opportunities Symposium

AWARDS/HONORS

Nominated for Distinguished Educator Award, Bouve College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University

December 2023

Recognizes outstanding teaching that goes beyond the classroom and includes the long-term impact that faculty have on students. The awards recognize the teacher's engagement with students and their attention to students' professional development.

Graduate Scholarship in Cancer Nursing Practice, American Cancer Society

July 2019-May 2020

Scholarship for graduate education in oncology nursing, awarded for two years

Graduate Scholarship in Cancer Nursing Practice, American Cancer Society

July 2011-May 2013

Scholarship for graduate education in oncology nursing, awarded for two years

University Research Consortium Award of Excellence, University of New Hampshire

October 2009

Recognized at the University Research Consortium for exceptional poster presentation "A Descriptive Study of Team-Based Well-Child Care in The Netherlands"

International Research Opportunities Program grant, University of New Hampshire

2008

Funding provided by university for "A Descriptive Study of Team-Based Well-Child Care in The Netherlands"

CERTIFICATIONS

- Adult-Geriatric Nurse Practitioner, through American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) *since June 2013*
- Advanced Oncology Certified Nurse Practitioner (AOCNP) *since December 2015*
- Basic Life Support (BLS) *since March 2008*

MEMBERSHIPS

- The National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPH) *since February 2023*
- The International Nursing Association for Clinical Simulation and Learning (INACSL) *since February 2023*
- American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) *since February 2023*
- Oncology Nursing Society (ONS) *since August 2009*

References available upon request.