

Healthcare Professional Learning Objectives and Goals 2016 North Texas Blood Cancer Conference

Goals & Target Audience:

Target Audience: Oncology nurses, social workers at the intermediate and advanced levels of experience and licensure, and other healthcare professionals involved in the treatment of blood cancer patients.

Goal: To educate oncology nurses, social workers, and other healthcare professionals about current and emerging therapies and the psychosocial impacts of diagnosis and treatment, and expand their knowledge of caring for patients with blood cancers.

Learning Objectives:

Tough Pill to Swallow: The Future of Oral Adherence

- Describe oral adherence challenges from the patient and system perspective
- Identify potential barriers to therapy adherence and to list strategies to these obstacles

Bringing the Bedroom to the Bedside: Discussing Intimacy

- Explain the ways cancer treatment can impact intimacy
- Identify strategies to discuss intimacy in a clinical setting more comfortably
- List educational programs and resources to support patients and caregivers

Diagnostic Tests: Results and Interpretations

- Describe the purpose of various diagnostic tests and their appropriate usage
- Explain diagnostic reports and how to interpret results

Survivorship & Long-Term Follow-Up

- List potential long-term complications of cancer treatment
- Describe strategies to increase long-term follow-up

Blood Transfusions: New Guidelines

- Describe the history of blood transfusions in medical practice
- Explain the importance of recent changes to blood transfusion guidelines

Integrative Therapies for Cancer Care

- Describe evidence-based results of integrative therapies
- Develop the strategies of when and how to use integrative therapy as part of a larger treatment plan

Am I Dying: What to Say When You Don't Know What to Say

- Describe challenges in communicating with terminal or critical patients
- Identify communication strategies to comfort without providing false reassurance

Immunology / Targeted Therapy

- Identify approved and emerging immune therapies for blood cancer patients
- Describe the physiology of malignancies and how they allude the immune system
- Explain the antibody or regulatory pathways utilized by targeted therapies

Compassion Fatigue: Helping the Helpers

- Explain how caregivers are physically, emotionally, and mentally affected by extended caregiving
- Identify tools and resources to manage long-term impact of compassion fatigue

Breakthrough Breakdown: Myeloma

- Explain current and emerging therapies for myeloma patients

Breakthrough Breakdown: Lymphoma

- Explain current and emerging therapies for lymphoma patients

Breakthrough Breakdown: Leukemia & MDS

- Explain current and emerging therapies for leukemia and MDS patients

Continuing Education Hours Offered:

Approval for nurses has been obtained by the National Office of The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society under Provider Number CEP 5832 to award **4.0** continuing education contact hours through the California Board of Registered Nursing.

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS), provider number 1105, is approved as a provider for social work continuing education by the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) www.aswb.org Approved Continuing Education Program (ACE). Approval Period: 12/10/2014-12/14/2017. LLS maintains responsibility for the conference. Social workers should contact their regulatory board to determine course approval. Social workers will receive **4.0** CE clinical clock hour(s).

Upon completion of this conference and submission of the completed activity evaluation, a certificate of completion will be emailed to you within 30 days following the conference. Partial credit WILL NOT be offered. License number MUST be entered on evaluation form to receive a certificate.

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