

WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

DAY 1

- 7:45 Registration/CE Recording
- 8:00 Introductions*– Course Coordinator - Kelly Petrulevich, MSN, RN, OCN, Nursing Practice Leader
- 8:15 **Overview of Chemotherapy** – Anna Gahan, BSN, RN, BMT-CN, Staff Nurse
- 8:30 **Drug Classification and Toxicities** – Samantha Meyer, PharmD, MS, BCOP, Clinical Pharmacy Specialist, Department of Pharmaceutical Care
- 9:30 Break
- 9:45 **Drug Classification and Toxicities** (continued)
- 10:45 **Management of Side Effects** – Laura Young, MSN, RN, OCN, Clinical Practice Leader
- 12:15 Lunch (on your own)
- 1:00 **The ABCs of Chemotherapy** – Jenessa Franco, MSN, RN, OCN, Nurse Manager
- 2:30 Break
- 2:45 **Safe Handling Issues and Guidelines** – Jessica Montague, MSN, RN, OCN, Clinical Practice Leader
- 3:30 Adjourn

DAY 2

- 7:45 Registration
- 8:00 **Patient/Family Teaching & Documentation** – Kelly Petrulevich, MSN, RN, OCN, Nursing Practice Leader
- 9:15 Break
- 9:30 **Chemotherapy Clinical Trials** – Jen Adams, Clinical Trial Research Specialist
- 9:55 **Extravasation, Intravenous Central Venous Catheters, & Administration Issues** – Jessica Montague, MSN, RN, OCN, Clinical Practice Leader
- 10:40 **Bispecific T-Cell Engagers: An Emerging Therapy for Management of Cancer** - Jonathan Lochner, PharmD, Clinical Pharmacist, Department of Pharmaceutical Care
- 11:20 **Compassionate Cancer Care : Resources for Patients**– Stephanie Schwake, MSN, RN, OCN, Nurse Clinician
- 11:35 Lunch (on your own)
- 12:15 **Psychosocial Issues Related to Chemotherapy** – Erin Sieh, LMSW, Social Work Specialist; Brittnei Engrav, LMSW, Social Work Specialist, Department of Care Coordination
- 1:15 **Patient Panel**
- 2:15 Closing/Evaluations*
- 2:20 Test (for UI Health Care staff) *

*Not eligible for CE credit.



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CE Nursing Continuing Education
**Fundamentals of Chemotherapy
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Educational Objectives:

Upon completion of this program, learner should be able to:

- Identify various categories of antineoplastic, targeted and supportive therapies.
- Describe the drugs in each category.
- Discuss future directions for cancer treatment.
- Describe methods to manage side effects of chemotherapy.
- Identify acute, local or systemic reactions associated with a given drug and measures to be taken should these reactions occur.
- Discuss the structure and mechanism of bispecific T-cell engagers.
- Discuss the pathophysiology associated with key toxicities of cytokine release syndrome (CRS) and immune cell effector associated neurotoxicity syndrome (ICANS).
- Identify considerations that should be taken when performing venipuncture and vein selection.
- Identify the signs and symptoms of extravasation of a vesicant and outline the nursing measures to minimize tissue damage.
- Describe safety precautions recommended to minimize exposure of healthcare personnel, the patient, the family and the environment to the potentially harmful effects of chemotherapy.
- Discuss the various phases of clinical trials.
- Discuss the psychosocial implications of treatment with chemotherapy and the nursing interventions to help the patient and their family cope with the disease and treatment.
- Describe the process of effective patient and family teaching for patients receiving chemotherapy.
- Discuss concerns and recommendations related to chemotherapy as expressed by cancer survivors.

Purpose:

This two-day program is designed to enhance the nurse’s understanding of chemotherapy and care of patients receiving chemotherapy. The content will include the principles of cancer chemotherapy, the administration of chemotherapy, physiological and psychosocial effects of chemotherapy and the nursing management of the patient receiving chemotherapy.

Intended Audience:

Licensed nurses and other healthcare professionals.

Schedule and speakers are subject to change. Faculty are Department of Nursing Services and Patient Care Medical Surgical Services staff unless otherwise indicated. This workshop has been developed by the Medical Surgical Services Nursing Division at UI Health Care.

REGISTRATION

Registration:

- Preregistration is required
- Online registration only
- Credit card payments only
- Registration is through UI Carver College of Medicine CloudCME

CloudCME Registration Link: <https://uiowa.cloud-cme.com>

In the yellow menu bar click **Nursing CE**
Click **Register** on the desired course

You will need to set up an account if you are a first time user, or ‘sign in’ if you already have a CloudCME account

Session

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Deadline

February 12, 2026
May 7, 2026
July 30, 2026
October 29, 2026

Workshop Fee:

- **UI Health Care Employees:**
 - **Working on units administering chemotherapy: No fee**
 - **All Other Staff: \$60**
- **Non-UI Healthcare Employees: \$255** (includes workshop materials, food voucher, parking and CE credits for the two days) A \$20 non-refundable late fee will be assessed for all registrations made after the deadline.

Refund: Full (minus \$20 cancellation fee) if notification received on or before the respective registration deadline. Substitutions are permitted at any time.

To register after the deadline date, please call 319-356-1238 to find out if there is seat availability. Registration after the deadline may be declined if space is already filled.

Nursing Credit:

11.3 contact hours will be offered by University of Iowa Health Care Department of Nursing Services and Patient Care Continuing Education Office and align with the appropriate subject matter found in Iowa Administrative Code 655 chapter 5.2(3).

Location & Parking

The Nursing Clinical Education Center is located on 4 West, General Hospital in UI Health Care (elevator B to 4th floor, west at compass on floor). Maps of the Hospital and Iowa City area can be obtained on the web at <http://www.uihc.org/Your-Visit>.

Parking is available in Hospital Parking Ramp 3. Parking passes will be issued at registration for external participants only. No need to bring parking transaction ticket with you.

Due to fluctuations in room temperature, we recommend you dress accordingly for your personal comfort.

Acknowledgements

We gratefully acknowledge the generous support of this program from vendor exhibitors. A complete list of exhibitors will be included in the program information packet.

Disclosure Policy: Everyone in a position to control the content of this educational activity will disclose to the CE provider and to attendees all relevant financial relationships with any commercial interest. They will also disclose if any pharmaceuticals or medical procedures and devices discussed are investigational or unapproved for use by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

Determination of educational content for this program and the selection of speakers are responsibilities of the program director and planning committee. Firms providing financial support did not have input in these areas.

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Questions concerning CE programs may be directed to the Nursing Clinical Education Center at nursingcontinuinged@uiowa.edu or at **319-356-1238**.

The UI Health Care Department of Nursing’s continuing education programs are developed under the supervision of Christina Woline, DNP, RN, NPD-BC.

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