

San Francisco Medical Center Hematology/Oncology Staff

Manager

Daniel Wixom, RN



Anna Dowling, RN

I am a case manager in Hematology and Oncology. I attended St. Richards Hospital School of Nursing Chichester, Royal West Sussex National Health Service, England, UK. I joined the Kaiser Permanente San Francisco Oncology department in 2001. In my role as case manager, I facilitate services and assist in optimizing members' care.



Virginia Peralta, RN

I came to Kaiser Permanente in 2000 after 25 years of nursing at St. Luke's Hospital in San Francisco. At St. Luke's Hospital, I worked at the Medical/Surgical Unit, Emergency Room and as Nursing Supervisor. Prior to my present position as Case Manager, I worked at the Infusion Center for almost 7 years. I enjoy taking care of patients and helping them with whatever I can offer. I keep up with current developments in cancer nursing through professional conferences. When I am not at work caring for patients, I enjoy reading, exercising and spending time outdoors.

Clinical Nurse Specialist



Catherine Jansen PhD, RN, AOCNS®

I am a San Francisco native and have been working in Oncology since I graduated from nursing school at the University of San Francisco in 1981. I received my MS and PhD in oncology nursing from the University of California in San Francisco. My research interest is in cancer and treatment-related cognitive impairment. I am certified by the Oncology Nursing Certification Corporation (ONCC) as an Advanced Oncology Clinical Nurse Specialist (AOCNS®). I have been working at Kaiser Permanente since 1993 and value the integrated system that promotes a well-coordinated multidisciplinary approach to providing state-of-the-art quality care. As an Oncology Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS), one of my primary responsibilities is daily rounds of oncology and hematology inpatients. I am also involved in training of staff in oncology care as well as several local and regional committees devoted to promoting evidence-based practice.

Chemotherapy Nurses



Ellie Cannon, RN

I was born and raised in San Francisco and went to nursing school in Massachusetts. I have been working at Kaiser since 1972. I have been an oncology nurse for 25 years. I live in Pacifica.



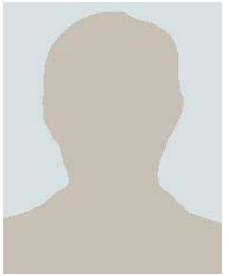
Teresa Cosgrove, RN

I have been with Kaiser Permanente Oncology since July 2002. I am from Ireland, where I trained as a nurse in Belfast, Northern Ireland. I came to the Bay Area in 1992 and have been an R.N here since I completed my ICU nurse training in 1996. I then became an oncology nurse in 2000.



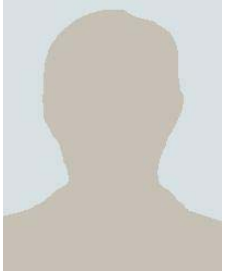
Denelle Fischer, RN

I have been an Oncology Nurse for 36 years. I became an Oncology Certified Nurse in 1988. I have been working for Kaiser Permanente for 25 years. I am a member of the Oncology Nursing Society and the Bay Area Oncology Nursing Society. I live in Mill Valley and love to drive my red convertible.



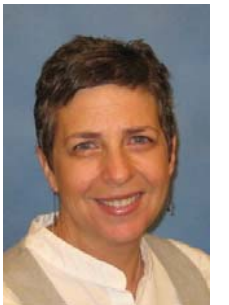
Helen Krochik, RN

I have been with the Kaiser Permanente Adult Oncology clinic since 2009. I also work in Pediatric Oncology once a week. I graduated from nursing school in Odessa, Ukraine with Bachelor's degree in nursing. I have enjoyed living in San Francisco for the past 23 years.



Agnes Wong, RN

I have been a registered nurse since 1994 and came to the Kaiser Permanente Oncology Department in 1998. I received my Bachelor's Degree in Nursing from University of San Francisco, my Master's Degree in Oncology and Genomics from University of California, San Francisco and my Post-Graduate degree in Nursing Education from Holy Names University. I am an Oncology-Certified Nurse and am a member of the Oncology Nursing Society and the San Francisco Bay Area Oncology Nursing Society.



Diane Zagerman, RN

I have been with Kaiser Permanente Oncology since 2004. I have a Bachelor's Degree in English, and previously worked in the book publishing industry. I earned my RN diploma from St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing in San Francisco in 1986, and have worked as an oncology nurse for my entire career. I live in San Francisco with my husband and a cranky cat.

Judith Schuster-Jasso, RN

David Sexton, RN

Karen Umezawa, RN

Infusion Nurses



David Zylstra, RN

I received a degree in Nursing from City College of San Francisco Nursing School. I am an infusion nurse for non-chemotherapy medications, which means I work closely with many other departments to ensure the safe administration of IV medications. I am an expert in peripheral IV insertion and PICC line insertion and maintenance. Our practice does its best to relieve your pain, cure infections with antibiotics, improve your energy with blood products and support your health through other IV replacement medications.

Lynn Blake, RN

Iris Paris, RN

Rose Restua, RN

Clinical Trial Nurses

Noel Pardales, RN

Clinical Research Coordinator



Eleanor Dekelaita

I have been with Kaiser Permanente for 15 years working with the Kaiser Permanente Oncology Clinical Trials program in San Francisco and San Rafael. My position is a Clinical Research Coordinator II and my role is to support the oncologists and clinical research nurses and to enter data once a patient has been identified as eligible and has consented to participate in a trial. Data from these trials becomes part of a bigger picture in cancer research, which I believe becomes hope for a better way to fight cancer.

Oncology Pharmacist



Lynn Friday, PharmD

I have been an Oncology Pharmacist at Kaiser Permanente in San Francisco since 1986. I became Board Certified in Oncology Pharmacy in 1998. The Oncology Pharmacy includes specialized pharmacists and pharmacy technicians who provide sterile compounded medications to the oncology and infusion centers. We also are involved in direct patient care, including verification of chemotherapy orders, lab monitoring and prescribing of supportive medications. I am very happy to be part of the oncology team here, working closely with the physicians, nurses and other oncology staff. I strongly believe that the multi-disciplinary approach delivers the most comprehensive, state of the art care to our members.



Don Reist, PharmD

I have been a Pharmacist in the Oncology Pharmacy since 1990. I received a B.A. in Biology/Psychology from Stanford University and my Pharm.D. from the University of California, San Francisco.

Nutritionist



Alyssa Wilson, RD

One of my main areas of focus as a Registered Dietitian at Kaiser Permanente is cancer nutrition. My educational background includes an undergraduate degree in Dietetics from Sacramento State and completion of a dietetic internship and Master's Program from San Francisco State. In 2008, I received a specialization in Nutrition Support. I teach a nutrition class for people undergoing chemotherapy and/or radiation and also see people individually for appointments. I look forward to meeting you and supporting you during and after your treatment.