

Conference Learnings

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CONFERENCE LEARNINGS

Association of Pediatric Hematology / Oncology Nurses 37th
Annual Conference and Exhibit

Leading with Courage, Caring with Confidence

Kentucky International Convention Center, Louisville, Kentucky
Sept. 19- 21, 2013



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Pediatric Unit I-78 and CC

Conference Topics

- Wed. Sept 18th 630 -730pm Dinner symposium – Appropriate Sequencing of Asparagine
- Thurs. Sept. 19thHow to Play Nice in the Sand box: A Primer for Nurses on Identification and Management of
 - Drug Interactions in Pediatric Cancer Patients
 - Coordinating and Cultivating Commitments : Leadership in Pediatric Hematology / Oncology
 - Transition to Adult Care for Young Adult Childhood Cancer Survivors: Overcoming the barriers
 - Confidently Caring for Children with High Risk ALL : The COG AALL1131 Study
 - Confidently Caring for Children Receiving Ch14.18 on Clinical Trials
- Fri. Sept. 20th-
 - The Dance of the Living with Advanced Cancer: How to Follow and When to Lead
 - Clinical Trials and You: What you Need to Know to Confidently Care for Patients and Families
 - Relapsed ALL: Past, Present and Future
 - Autoimmune Cytopenias: Can We Deactivate the Self Destruct Sequence?
- Sat. Sept. 21st-
 - Hematology- End of Life / Palliative Care
 - Fostering the Many Paths to Resilience
 - Riding the “Chuddle “ Bus to Chemotherapy Safety
 - Cancer Therapy and Wound Healing: A Codependent Relationship at Best
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Learning to Consider for LVHN

- There were a Variety of Poster presentations many of them on how to avoid CLABSAI's This is one of the processes that the pediatric units are developing with the Ohio Collaborative. Daily chlorahexidine washes were discussed as a consistent preventative to central line infections. The standards and guidelines we received reinforced the information we are now receiving in our own practice.
- There were several presentations concerning the side effects of chemotherapy drugs. We received some excellent on-line resources related to the COG program. This program studies the drugs and their side effects. We feel this would be pertinent information we could give to our peers as a resource.
- Another interesting tool that was presented was a flow tool for oncology survivors. This tool was a roadmap of sorts that outlined post oncology treatment care. It included chemotherapy drug side effects in the long term phase.
- One of the breakout sessions related to the drug CH 13 The information received was very reassuring as our institution rarely uses it and the knowledge base for the nurses can be inconsistent due to the its intermittent use. Great handouts will enhance our resource book in our unit.

Group Discussion

ACTION ITEMS

- 1. A poster and discussion on drug safety. It will include our most widely used chemotherapy agents with their side effects.
- 2. To discuss CH 13 and the process for administration. Add to resource manual with available handouts