

Flynn Foundation Oncology Nursing Fellowship Yale New Haven Health, Smilow Cancer Hospital Summer 2025

Purpose: The Susan Flynn Oncology Nursing Fellowship Program at Smilow Cancer Hospital is intended to help stimulate the career interest and foster the professional development of future Oncology Nurses. This fellowship will enhance the student's core clinical education through direct observation and exposure to oncology nursing care. Through this experience, students will learn about the various oncology nursing roles and responsibilities and discover possible career opportunities. The fellowship program includes a comprehensive scope of direct observational and learning experiences, including exposure to:

- Oncology Nursing throughout the care continuum (possible roles/typical responsibilities, applied practice, career opportunities) including:
 - Medical Oncology
 - Radiation Therapy
 - Surgery (including OR experiences)
- Infusion Services & Chemotherapeutic agents
- Cancer Research & Clinical Trials through Yale University
- Palliative Care (benefits, resources, services)
- Patient Support Programs
- Various Internal Oncology-Related Forums and Oncology Nursing Education Programs

In addition, as part of this learning/development experience, Flynn Fellows will be required to complete and present an Evidence-Based Practice (EBP) project in some aspect of Oncology Nursing. The topic of the project will be selected by the Fellow. The EBP project is an opportunity for each Flynn Fellow to utilize the principles and context of EBP to evaluate a nursing policy, nursing practice, or procedure, and make recommendations based on current evidence. Project presentations will take place at the completion of the program to the Smilow nursing team and various leaders during the Fellowship Graduation Ceremony. Parents, grandparents, and siblings are invited.

Program Schedule: The program will span eight (8) weeks in length beginning on Monday, June 2nd and ending on Friday, July 25th. Fellowship sites will be offered at Smilow Greenwich & Long Ridge in Greenwich and Stamford, CT, Smilow Trumbull & Fairfield, or Smilow Cancer Hospital in New Haven, CT. The schedule will include five-weekday shifts per week.

Compensation: The student nurse will be paid a competitive stipend for this Fellowship program.

Application Process: This Fellowship is being offered to eight (8) rising nursing seniors from an accredited BSN nursing program. Three students will be placed in Smilow Greenwich/Long Ridge; 2 in Smilow Trumbull/Fairfield; and 3 in Smilow Cancer Hospital in New Haven, CT. Please note your fellowship site preference in your application. Before applying, it is imperative to ensure your ability to attend the 8-week program in its entirety. Applicants must have achieved and maintained a 3.0 GPA and be in good standing. To apply, interested students must submit the following:

1. Resume
2. Transcript
3. Two (2) reference letters from recent professors, teachers, and/or clinical staff (within the last 3 years)
4. 1-2 page essay on why you are interested in becoming an oncology nurse
5. Site preference

Applications will be accepted online beginning early December through January 31st, 2025 at <https://www.ynhh.org/careers>. Successful candidates will be notified in early Spring 2025.

Any questions regarding this program or the application process should be directed to Kristina Capretti, Director of Patient Services, Smilow at Bridgeport Hospital & Greenwich Hospital, kristina.capretti@greenwichhospital.org

For information on Smilow Cancer Hospital, visit our website at <https://www.ynhh.org/smilow.aspx>