

AVAHO 2024

September 20-22 (Atlanta, GA)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2024

2:00 – 5:00 PM **ENHANCING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT THROUGH POSTER AND PODIUM PRESENTATIONS**

Julius Kehinde, MD

Nurse Scientist, Research, EBP, & Analytics Portfolio, VA Office of Nursing Services

Bay Pines VAHCS

5:30 – 6:30 PM **NEW MEMBER RECEPTION**

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2024

6:30 AM BREAKFAST

6:45 – 7:45 AM **CME SPONSORED TALK**
PARP INHIBITORS FOR METASTATIC PROSTATE CANCER IN THE VHA HEALTH SYSTEM: INTEGRATING NEW AGENTS INTO PRACTICE

Moderator: Michael Goodman, MD

Wake Forest University and Durham VAMC

Rhonda Bitting, MD

Durham Veterans Affairs Medical Center

Duke University Medical Center

Kassandra August-Marcucio DNP, APRN, ACNP-BC, CUNP

West Haven VAMC

Yale University Medical Center

8:00 – 8:30 AM **OPENING REMARKS**

Cindy Bowman, MSN, RN, AVAHO President

Lauren Cliffel, LCSW, Program Co-Chair

8:30 – 8:45 AM **OPENING CEREMONY: SILVER RIDGE SINGERS**

8:45 – 9:45 AM **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

Moderator: Cindy Bowman, MSN, RN

CROSS CULTURAL CARE: AN INDIGENOUS PROVIDER'S PERSPECTIVE ON EQUAL, EQUITABLE AND EXCELLENT CARE FOR NATIVE VETERANS

Christina Flint-Lowe, DNP, ARNP, FNP-BC, MS
VA Bay Pines Healthcare System, Bay Pines FL

9:45 – 10:30 AM BREAK/Visit Exhibits

10:30 – 12:00 PM **GENERAL SESSION: ELEVATING CANCER CARE FOR WOMEN IN THE VA**

Moderator: Soo Park, MD

BREAST AND GYN CANCER SYSTEM OF EXCELLENCE

Haley Moss, MD, MBA

FERTILITY PRESERVATION

Jacqueline Lee, MD
Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility Specialist, Emory
Reproductive Center, Atlanta, GA

WOMEN'S SEXUAL HEALTH AFTER A CANCER DIAGNOSIS

Laila Agrawal, MD
Medical Oncologist
Norton Cancer Institute, Louisville, KY

Session Q&A

12:00 PM **LUNCH**

12:15 – 1:15 PM **NON-CE SPONSORED TALK**

A. UNVEILING A SUBCUTANEOUS THERAPY IN 3L + DLBCL

Sponsored in part by Genmab

**B. WORKING TOGETHER TO ADVANCE
GUIDELINE-RECOMMENDED CARE FOR EARLY STAGE
NSCLC--BENEFITS OF A MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM**

Sponsored in part by AstraZeneca

1:30 – 3:15 PM

GENERAL SESSION: PROVIDING INFORMED PSYCHOSOCIAL CARE AND DISPARITIES

Moderators: Ana DeVage, LCSW and Renita Allen, MSSA

HEALTH EQUITY IN ONCOLOGY: THE BLACK AND BROWN EXPERIENCE

Ashley N. Brevil, LCSW
Orlando VA Medical Center, Orlando, FL

Michelle Melton, PsyD
Southern Arizona Health Care System

LGBTQ CARE

Heather Cherry, LCSW
Miami VA Medical Center, Miami, FL

Farnoosh Nik-Adh, MD
UC San Francisco, San Francisco, CA

Panel Q&A

3:15 – 4:00 PM

BREAK/Visit Exhibits

4:00 – 5:00 PM

BREAKOUT SESSIONS A: HOT TOPICS IN THE VA

#1 INCREASING ACCESS TO VA CARE

Moderator: Mark Klein, MD

DELIVERING SPECIALIZED CARE THROUGH THE NATIONAL TELEONCOLOGY PROGRAM

Sushma Jonna, MD

TAKING THE LONG ROAD: VA CLOSE TO ME CANCER CARE SERVICE

Jenna Shields, PharmD, BCOP
Andrea Stone, RN

#2 NATIONAL PHARMACOGENOMICS PROGRAM

Moderator: Jenniffer Piccolo, PharmD

Jill S. Bates, Pharm.D., M.S., BCOP, DipACLM, FASHP
Deputy Executive Director, National Pharmacogenomics Program
National Oncology Program Office, Specialty Care Services

#3 FOOD INSECURITY

Moderator: Matthew Grant, RD and Ana DeVage, LCSW

FOOD INSECURITY PROGRAM

Megan Bowman, RD
Food Security Program Coordinator, VACO

FOOD INSECURITY FROM RD PERSPECTIVE

Alishia Bridgewater, RD

6:30 – 9:30 PM **WELCOME RECEPTION**
(Georgia Aquarium)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2024

6:30 AM BREAKFAST BUFFET

6:45 – 7:45 AM **CME SPONSORED TALK**

1. IMPROVING PATIENT OUTCOMES WITH NOVEL THERAPIES FOR RELAPSED/REFRACTORY MULTIPLE MYELOMA

Moderator: Nicholas Burwick, MD

Attaya Suvannasankha, MD
Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine
Carol J Edwards Professor
Division of Hematology/Oncology, Department of Medicine
Indiana University School of Medicine
Roudebush VA Medical Center

2. TARGETING EGFR ALTERATIONS AT EXONS 19 AND 21 IN VETERANS WITH NON-SMALL CELL LUNG CANCER: BRINGING THERAPEUTIC ADVANCES INTO THE CLINIC

Moderator: Mark Klein, MD

Michael Kelley, MD
Durham VAMC and Duke University Medical Center

Ticiana Leal, M

Emory University Medical Center

8:00 – 9:00 AM **GENERAL SESSION: BEST PRACTICES FOR DUAL CARE, PROPER USE OF CC, KEEPING CARE WITHIN THE VA – CHALLENGES FOR 2024 AND BEYOND**

Moderators: David Eplin, PharmD

Ida Wong-Sefidan, MD
Medical Oncologist, San Diego VA

Aryavarta Kumar, MD, PhD
Radiation Oncologist, Cleveland VA

Renita Allen, MSSA
Social Worker, Cleveland VA

Panel Q&A

9:00 – 10:00 AM BREAK | Visit Exhibits

10:00 – 12:00 PM **GENERAL SESSION: MOTIVATIONAL INTERVIEW**

Moderator: Lauren Cliffl, LCSW

USE OF MOTIVATIONAL INTERVIEWING BY DIVERSE DISCIPLINES TO FACILITATE HEALTH BEHAVIOR CHANGES IN ONCOLOGY SETTINGS

Laurie Wolf, PhD
Orlando VA Medical Center, Orlando, FL

12:00 PM LUNCH

12:15 – 1:15 PM **NON-CE SPONSORED TALK**

A. LIFE ON ADT--SUPPORTING ADVANCED PROSTATE CANCER PATIENTS AND CAREGIVERS

Sponsored in part by Veterans Prostate Cancer Awareness

B. UNDERSTANDING THE ROLE OF THE NEW NOVEL bsAbs IN THE MANAGEMENT OF MULTIPLE MYELOMA AND HOW TO OPERATIONALIZE BISPECIFIC THERAPIES ACROSS 3 STATES OF READINESS: FACILITY READINESS, PROVIDE AND CARE

TEAM READINESS, AND PATIENT AND CARE PARTNER READINESS

Sponsored in part by Jansen

1:30 – 4:00 PM **ONCOLOGY DATA SPECIALISTS SESSION** (formerly CANCER REGISTRARS)

Moderator: Kim Saterbak ODS-C

DATA ITEM RELATIONSHIPS

Jim Hofferkamp, ODS

Program Manager of Education and Training, NAACCR

BREAK

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kim Saterbak ODS-C

1:30 – 2:30 PM **GENERAL SESSION: NOVEL MODELS FOR MULTIDISCIPLINARY CANCER CARE**

Moderator: Julie Beck, NP

NP | PA INTEGRATED MODELS IN HEMATOLOGY/ONCOLOGY

Mark Klein, MD

VA Minneapolis, Minneapolis, MN

2:30 – 4:00 PM **BREAKOUT SESSION B**

#4 DEVELOPMENT OF AN ONCOLOGY CLINICAL TRIALS PROGRAM AT BAY PINES VA MEDICAL CENTER AND COLLABORATIVE EXPANSION ACROSS VISN 8

Moderator: Ryan Burri, MD

ONCOLOGY TRIALS PROGRAM OVERVIEW AND SESSION MODERATOR

Ryan Burri, MD

Assistant Chief, Radiation Oncology Service, CW Young VA Medical Center, Bay Pines, FL

CLINICAL TRIALS OVERVIEW, RECRUITMENT STRATEGIES AND ENROLLMENT HISTORY AT BAY PINES

Ronald Patrick Eland, BS

Clinical Research Coordinator, Bay Pines Foundation, Bay Pines, FL

VA ORD CSP 2005 (VALOR) STUDY OVERVIEW AND RECRUITMENT HISTORY AT BAY PINES

Marlene Kern, DPN, MSN, MBA, RN

Research RN Coordinator, CW Young VA Medical Center, Bay Pines, FL

VISN 8 LUNG PRECISION ONCOLOGY PROGRAM (LPOP) EFFORTS, TRIALS, ENROLLMENT HISTORY, REVIEW OF ONCOLOGY TRIALS AVAILABLE AT THE TAMPA VA

Elaine Tan, MD

Attending Physician, Hematology/Oncology, James A. Haley Veterans Hospital, Tampa, FL

VISN 8 LPOP COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Precious Leaks-Gutierrez, EdD, MBA, CCRP

Research Coordinator, VISN 8 Lung Precision Oncology Program, James A. Haley Veterans Hospital, Tampa, FL

VISN 8 LPOP REGULATORY WORK, LOCAL COMMITTEES, ORGANIZATION OF REGULATORY WITHIN VISN 8 AND NATIONAL IMPACT OF VISN 8 LPOP

Mini Sajan, PhD

Regulatory Coordinator, VISN 8 Lung Precision Oncology Program, CW Young VA Medical Center, Bay Pines, FL

IMPACT OF LPOP ON LUNG CANCER SCREENING AT BAY PINES

Deborah Toth, MSN, R

Lung Cancer Screening Nurse Coordinator, CW Young VA Medical Center, Bay Pines, FL

INTERSECTION OF LUNG CANCER SCREENING AND CLINICAL RESEARCH WITHIN VISN 8 (FOCUS ON MIAMI)

Dave Cuvi, PA-C

Associate Director, VISN 8 Lung Precision Oncology Program, Lung Cancer Screening Program Administrator, Miami VA Healthcare System, Miami, FL

#5 NUTRITION

Moderator: Taylor Scialo, RD

CHEMORADIATION MISSION PLANNING: COMMUNICATING AND TREATING NUTRITION IMPACT SYMPTOMS IN HEAD AND NECK CANCER

Katherine Petersen, MS, RDN, CSO, CNSC
Carl T. Hayden VA Medical Center, Phoenix, AZ

- 4:00 – 4:30 PM BREAK | Visit Exhibits
- 4:30 – 6:00 PM E-POSTER | SOCIAL HOUR
- 6:00 – 8:00 PM **SIG NETWORKING**
- NURSING
 - NUTRITION
- 6:30 – 7:30 PM **KICKBOXING CLASS** (Beginners Welcome)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

- 6:00 – 6:30 AM Kickboxing Class (Beginners welcome)
- 6:45 AM BREAKFAST
- 7:00 – 7:45 AM **BUSINESS MEETING** (MEMBERS ONLY)
- 8:00- 8:15 AM **GENERAL SESSION: VA UPDATES**
Moderator: Cindy Bowman MSN, RN, OCN
Deputy Under Secretary of Health
Dr. Steve Lieberman
- 8:15 – 9:15 AM **GENERAL SESSION: TOP ABSTRACTS**
Moderator: Mary Thomas, CNS

- 1. TELEHEALTH RESEARCH AND INNOVATION FOR VETERANS WITH CANCER (THRIVE): UNDERSTANDING EXPERIENCES OF NATIONAL TELEONCOLOGY SERVICE PROVIDERS**
Presenter: Leah Zullig, PhD, MPH
Durham VA Center of Innovation to Accelerate Discovery and Practice Transformation
- 2. REGISTERED DIETITIAN STAFFING AND NUTRITION PRACTICES IN HIGH-RISK CANCER PATIENTS ACROSS THE VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION**

Presenter: Katherine Petersen, MS, RDN, CSO, CNSC
Carl T. Hayden VA Medical Center, Phoenix, AZ

**3. UNEXPECTED FINDINGS: A RARE CASE OF SIGNET RING CELL
ADENOCARCINOMA IN THE SMALL INTESTINE**

Presenter: Raya Alashram
Albany Medical Center

**4. BASELINE PATIENT-REPORTED CARE METRICS IN A VA
HEMATOLOGY/ONCOLOGY CLINIC PRIOR TO IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 4R
(RIGHT INFORMATION AND RIGHT CARE FOR THE RIGHT PATIENT AT THE
RIGHT TIME) ONCOLOGY MODEL**

Presenter: Michael Weinfeld, DO
University of Illinois Chicago

**5. IMPACT OF STEWARDSHIP ASSISTANCE PILOT PROGRAM FOR VETERANS ON
ADHERENCE AND PERSISTENCE TO ORAL mCRPC THERAPIES**

Presenter: Michael Goodman, MD
W.G. (Bill) Hefner VA, Salisbury, NC

9:15 – 9:30 AM BREAK

9:30 – 11:00 AM **SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS**

#1: PALLIATIVE CARE

Moderator: Katherine Faricy-Anderson, MD, MPH

**LET'S TALK: THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNICATION IN
PALLIATIVE ONCOLOGY**

Katherine Faricy-Anderson, MD, MPH

**EMERGING ROLE OF PALLIATIVE CARE IN CANCER PTS WITH
SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER**

Andrea Ruskin, MD

#2: MEDICAL ONCOLOGY

Moderator: Nicholas Burwick, MD

WHAT'S NEW IN BREAST AND GYN CANCER

Sarah Colonna, MD

**UPDATE ON NATIONAL TELEONCOLOGY AND RELATED
INITIATIVES**

Vida Passero, MD
Chief Medical Officer, VA National TeleOncology
Clinical Associate Professor, University of Pittsburgh School of
Medicine; Associate Fellowship Program Director, UPMC
VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System

#3: ADVANCED PRACTICE PROVIDERS

Moderator: Mark Hassler, NP

APRN'S ENHANCING EXCELLENCE IN ONCOLOGY

Lori Hoffman-Hogg

#4: PHARMACY

Moderator: Linh Nguyen PharmD, MHSc, MPH, BCOP

**TAKING A BITE OUT OF CANCER: STRATEGIES FOR LOCAL
IMPLEMENTATION**

Paige May, PharmD, BCOP, FFSHP

#5: PSYCHOSOCIAL

Moderator: Ana DeVage, LCSW

**INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE AND CANCER IN THE VA:
INTERVENING WITH FAMILIES IN CRISIS**

Debora Newton

11:15 – 12:00 PM **CLOSING REMARKS | AWARDS**

Cindy Bowman, MSN, RN

Dwight "David" Eplin, PharmD

12:00 PM **ADJOURN**