



ELNEC Oncology APRN

Preparing Oncology Advanced Practice
Nurses as Generalists in Palliative Care



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Thank you for your interest in attending this course. We are grateful to the National Cancer Institute (NCI) for funding this course and for promoting palliative care education in oncology settings. The purpose of this course is to educate oncology nurses as generalist palliative care providers and leaders.

This NCI sponsored education project provides funding for the following:

- Course attendance: registration, course materials breakfast, lunch, and snacks for the two days
- Two nights of lodging that will be paid directly by ELNEC to the hotel (The Watergate Hotel)
- Up to 13 CEs (includes 4 CEs designated pharm)

Qualifications to apply include:

- Advanced practice oncology nurse
- At least five years of experience in oncology (the five years does not need to be as an APRN)
- Must have a Masters or DNP degree
 - Those with a PhD may apply as long as 100% of their work time is in a clinical setting
- Up to two participants per institution will be accepted, only if they work in different clinical areas.
- Must not be an official member of a palliative care team.
- Because this grant is funded by the National Cancer Institute, we are unable to accept any international applicants. All participants must work at an institution in the United States.
- Due to the requirements of the grant, applicants must be currently employed.

Note: If you are not eligible to attend this course, please visit the [ELNEC website](#) for other course options.

Participant Commitments:

- To earn CE credit, participants must attend the entire course, sign-in daily and complete a daily course evaluation. Certificates will be emailed within 10 days of the course. *This is subject to change & you must be present all 2 days to receive CEs – no exceptions. Plan travel accordingly.
- Agree to attend one-hour webinar monthly for one-year post-course.
- This project requires mandatory completion of follow-up evaluation surveys at 6- and 12-months post-course.

All additional information about this project is available in this course brochure. Once accepted, participants will receive further information. For all questions regarding assistance in completing the application or the overall project, please contact the ELNEC team at ELNEC@coh.org or Haley Buller at hbuller@coh.org.

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The End-of-Life Nursing Education Consortium (ELNEC) project is a national and international education initiative to improve palliative care. Since 2000, ELNEC is a collaboration between City of Hope, Duarte, CA and the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN), Washington, DC. The project, administered by City of Hope, provides undergraduate and graduate nursing faculty, CE providers, staff development educators, specialty nurses in pediatrics, oncology, critical care and geriatrics, and other nurses with training in palliative care so they can teach this essential information to nursing students, practicing nurses and other healthcare professionals.

Currently, the following ELNEC curricula exist:

- ELNEC APRN Adult
- ELNEC APRN Pediatric
- ELNEC Communication
- ELNEC Core
- ELNEC Critical Care
- ELNEC Geriatric
- ELNEC Graduate (online only)
- ELNEC Oncology APRN
- ELNEC Pediatric Palliative Care
- Undergraduate/New Graduate (online only)

For more information about this project, go to www.aacnnursing.org/ELNEC.

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Day 1 – November 14, 2024
<i>Tentatively 7:30am ET – 5:00pm ET</i>
Welcome and Overview of Course
Domain 1: Structure and Processes of Care
Domain 2.1: Physical Aspects: Pain Management
Communication Lecture & Lab
Small Groups Part 1: Pain & Symptom Management
Domain 6: Cultural Aspects of Care
Domain 4: Social Aspects of Care
Day 2 – November 15, 2024
<i>Tentatively 7:30am ET – 5:00pm ET</i>
Domain 3: Psychological and Psychiatric Aspects of Care
Domain 5: Spiritual, Religious and Existential Aspects of Care
Domain 8: Ethical and Legal Aspects of Care
Breakout Sessions
Domain 7: Care of the Patient Nearing the End of Life
Responsible Conduct of Research
Opportunities for APRNs in Staff Education and Development
Graduation: Pioneering Primary APRN Palliative Care • Departing Thoughts • Closing

**Agenda subject to change – more detailed agenda provided prior to course*

Provider: City of Hope National Medical Center/Beckman Research Institute approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, BRN Provider #: CEP 13380 for up to 13 contact hours (which includes up to 4 CEs designated towards advanced practice nursing pharmacotherapeutics). No partial CEs given. You must attend entire program to receive CEs.



Application Instructions

Please read the instructions provided throughout the application packet carefully and address all required information. Use the checklist provided to make sure that all required information is included in your application.

The application has been formatted electronically using REDCap. Accompanying CV's/resumes and letters of support should be uploaded directly onto the application. You are able to save your application and complete it at another time. When saving an incomplete application, you will be given a return code. Please record it. Do not start multiple applications- use your return code to continue working on your original application. When you click on the application, choose "returning" at the upper right corner of the page and choose "continue the survey."

Incomplete applications will not be considered. CV's or resumes and one letter of support must be submitted for the application to be complete.

Application Deadline: Early bird applications are due by Friday, July 19, 2024! When you apply by the July 19th deadline, we will review your application early. Based on our evaluation criteria, you will either be accepted or have your application returned for revisions. Applying early will allow you to plan your time off and travel arrangements in advance. All applications are due Friday, September 6, 2024.

Acceptance notices will be sent out weekly, after 9/6/2024, as applications are reviewed. Once accepted, participants will receive further information. For all questions regarding assistance in completing the application or the overall project, please contact ELNEC@coh.org.

Application Checklist

- ☐ General Applicant Information
- ☐ Confirm that you are an advanced practice oncology nurse with 5 years of experience in oncology and have earned a Masters, DNP, or PhD degree
- ☐ Curriculum vitae, resume, or NIH biosketch (send no more than 10 pages)
- ☐ Institutional Information
- ☐ Statement of Interest & Course Commitments
- ☐ Three Goals
- ☐ One Letter of Support from supervisor/administrator (on company letterhead)*

**Letter must explicitly state support from oncology director for completing all course requirements including completing the 6-and-12-months post-course follow-up surveys.*



Apply Here

[ELNEC Oncology APRN: Preparing Oncology Advanced Practice Nurses as Generalists in Palliative Care](https://redcap.coh.org/surveys/?s=JM8XNWME9EWYHPEW)

Or copy the link below into your browser: <https://redcap.coh.org/surveys/?s=JM8XNWME9EWYHPEW>

Travel Scholarships Available We have additional funding allotted to support travel for under-represented minorities (URMs). URMs, as designated by the NCI, includes Black or African, American Indian, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, and Hispanic/Latino. URMs must meet the basic criteria to apply for the 2-day ELNEC Oncology APRN course. Funding is limited and is not guaranteed. Applicants that meet the criteria can designate their interest on the application.



Course Location & Accommodations

“We are excited to host our second EOA Course in beautiful and historical Washington, D.C. Located along the banks of the Potomac River, The Watergate Hotel (yes, THE Watergate Hotel), is the ideal home-base to explore all that DC has to offer. It is a short walk to monuments, museums, restaurants, bars, cafes and only ½ mile from the charming neighborhood of Georgetown. On behalf of the EOA faculty and staff, we look forward to meeting you all there in November 2024!”

- **Betty Ferrell (EOA Principal Investigator), Haley Buller (Admin Project Manager) and Maribel Tejada (Senior Coordinator)**

Course Location: The Watergate Hotel

2650 Virginia Ave NW,
Washington, DC 20037
(844) 617-1972

Check In: 4:00 PM
Check Out: 11:00 AM

Hotel Accommodations arranged by City of Hope

Accepted participants will receive a two night's stay at this hotel for the dates below. The EOA staff will make your hotel reservations and you will check in with your name. Per hotel policy, all guests must present a credit card upon check in for incidentals and a photo ID. A slight hold might be placed on your credit card.

2 nights reserved for:

Wednesday, November 13
Thursday, November 14



Participants needing additional nights, other than the 2 listed above, will be responsible for payment. Rates for rooms are \$259.00 per night, which comes to \$300 with tax and fees (based on availability). EOA staff will connect with accepted participants and make your reservations. Please do not contact the hotel.

Transportation & Parking

This section is for your information. **As a reminder, cost of travel is your responsibility.** When making travel arrangements, keep in mind that you will not receive CEs if you do not attend the whole course.

Transportation from Airport & estimated minimum charges:

Ride sharing companies, like Uber or Lyft, are usually a cheaper option than a taxi.

Airport 1) Ronald Reagan Airport – 3 miles southeast 2) Dulles International – 21 miles west
3) Balt/Wash International – 28 miles northeast

Parking for Overnight Guests:

Complimentary overnight valet parking (\$58 per night value)



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Frequently Asked Questions

We are required to include these statements by the City of Hope Institutional Review Board (IRB).

- 1. WHO WILL TAKE PART IN THIS EDUCATION PROJECT?** This project is designed to educate advanced practice oncology nurses as generalist palliative care providers and leaders. Approximately 500 nurses will participate nationally over 5 years. Participants will be chosen competitively, based on experience and goals.
- 2. WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROJECT?** The person in charge of this project is Dr. Betty Ferrell, City of Hope (COH) Medical Center, Division of Nursing Research and Education. There are other people on the project team assisting at different times.
- 3. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THIS PROJECT?** The goals of the project are to adapt the End-of-Life-Nursing Education Consortium Project (ELNEC) Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) curriculum to be cancer care-specific; to deliver the curriculum in national workshops, to educate competitively selected oncology APRNs from National Cancer Institute-designated clinical and comprehensive cancer centers, as well as community cancer centers or hospitals with designated oncology units as generalist palliative care providers and leaders; and to deliver, evaluate, and disseminate findings.
- 4. WHERE IS THE PROJECT GOING TO TAKE PLACE AND HOW LONG WILL IT LAST?** The course will be held for 2 days in different regions of the country for maximum recruitment and to reduce travel costs.
- 5. WHAT WILL YOU BE ASKED TO DO DURING THE COURSE?** The course is organized by the palliative care domains, as defined by the National Consensus Project for Quality Palliative Care. All 2 days are organized by each domain. Each session will include diverse teaching strategies including lecture, discussion, video clips, case studies, and other adult-learning strategies. In addition, small groups will be conducted with skills application such as applying symptom management knowledge to patient case studies, role play of communication skills (i.e., providing support to a grieving patient or family member, conducting a spiritual/cultural assessment, speaking to a physician who is hesitant for palliative care to see her patients, etc.). To develop a network among course participants, the national ELNEC project team will plan 1-hour webinars/conference calls, monthly, to continue the education and provide support for course participants. These webinars/conference calls will be scheduled at two different times each month, in an effort to accommodate schedules and time zones. Each session is offered at no cost to the participants. You will be contacted at 6- and 12-months post-course to complete a 30-minute electronic follow-up survey. In addition, you are expected to spend time with the palliative care team at your institution within 12 months of attending the course.
- 6. WHAT ARE THE POSSIBLE RISKS AND DISCOMFORTS?** To the best of our knowledge, the things you will be doing have no more risk of harm than you would experience in everyday life.
- 7. WILL YOU BENEFIT FROM TAKING PART IN THIS PROJECT?** Some people may experience improved performance, communication, and leadership skills after attending the course. You will not benefit from taking part in this project. However, your willingness to take part in this project may in the future, help society as a whole better understand this topic.
- 8. DO YOU HAVE TO TAKE PART IN THE PROJECT?** If you decide to take part in the project, it should be because you want to participate. You will not lose any benefits or rights you would normally have should you choose not to participate.
- 9. IF YOU DON'T WANT TO TAKE PART IN THE PROJECT, ARE THERE OTHER CHOICES?** If you do not want to be in the project, there are no other choices except not to take part in the project. Please contact the ELNEC Team at elnec@coh.org.
- 10. CAN YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THE PROJECT END EARLY?** You may decide not to participate prior to the course, but we ask that if you take the course, that you complete it. Please see #16 below.
- 11. WHAT WILL IT COST YOU TO PARTICIPATE?** Travel expenses are the responsibility of the participant/their organization. You may have to pay for airfare, parking, and other meals outside of the course. You will receive breakfast and lunch during the 2 days of the course. Two nights of lodging will be covered by the ELNEC team. Additional nights will be at your own expense.
- 12. WILL YOU RECEIVE ANY REWARDS FOR TAKING PART IN THIS PROJECT?** You will not receive any compensation for your participation.
- 13. WHO WILL SEE THE INFORMATION THAT YOU GIVE?** We make every effort to keep confidential all records that identify you to the extent allowed by law. Your information will be combined with information from other people taking part in the project. When we disseminate data or write about the project, we will use combined information that we have gathered. You will not be personally identified in these written materials. We may publish the results of this project; however, we will keep your name and other identifying information private. We will make every effort to prevent anyone who is not on the team from knowing that you gave us information, or what the information is. No personal identifiers will be used in the dissemination of this project.
- 14. WHAT ELSE DO YOU NEED TO KNOW?** There is a possibility that the data collected from you may be shared with other investigators in the future. If that is the case the data will not contain information that can identify you unless you give your consent, or the Institutional Review Board (IRB) approves the project. The IRB is a committee that reviews ethical issues, according to federal, state, and local regulations, to make sure the project complies with these.
- 15. WHAT IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, SUGGESTIONS, CONCERNS, OR COMPLAINTS?** If you have questions, suggestions, concerns, or complaints about the project, you can contact the team through email elnec@coh.org or (626)218-2346.
- 16. CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE** By submitting this application, you are agreeing to participate in the project.