

2027

Translating Evidence to Action

Elevating Cancer Care

Virtual Conference

Wednesday, February 24, 2027

9:00 a.m. — 4:30 p.m. (ET)



Memorial Sloan Kettering
Cancer Center

Designed for healthcare professionals across disciplines, this innovative annual forum focuses on **translating the latest evidence into meaningful advances in clinical practice**.

The program features **more than 20 quality improvement projects and practice initiatives**, with project leaders sharing practical strategies for **driving meaningful change within their institutions**. Each presentation highlights how translating evidence into practice can lead to **measurable improvements in care delivery and patient outcomes**.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Learning Objectives

- » Identify methods used to gather high-quality evidence in order to make a practice change
- » Recognize successful implementation strategies for change management
- » Illustrate the importance of demonstrating the return on investment for evidence-based change
- » Discuss strategies used to translate research into daily practice

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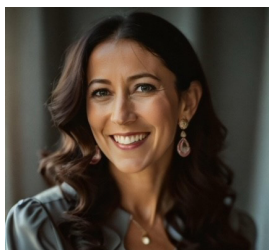
This live activity has been approved to offer *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™*. An application for ANCC Nursing contact hours has been submitted and is pending approval. Visit the conference website for additional information.

Registration & Fees

Physicians (MDs, PhDs, DOs): \$199
Advanced Practice Providers: \$149
Nurses and Other Healthcare Providers: \$99
Residents and Fellows: \$25
Industry Professionals*: \$350
MSK Employees: Complimentary

Discounted registration is available for specific groups, including healthcare professional students and registrants that reside and practice in low and lower-middle income countries.

*An industry professional is defined as any individual, irrespective of their provider type (such as MDs, PhDs, APPs, RNs, etc.) that is employed by an ineligible company.



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Schedule

TIME	SESSIONS
8:55 a.m.	Participant Login (Zoom)
9:00 a.m.	Welcome and Introduction Ashley Hole, DNP, FNP-BC, CPON®, EBP-C
9:00 a.m.	KEYNOTE LECTURE  Beyond Borders: The Global Impact of Evidence-Based Practice in Cancer Care Darcy Burbage, DNP, RN, AOCN®
9:25 a.m.	Q&A and Discussion

Innovative Use of Technology and Artificial Intelligence (AI)

MODERATOR: Jeanine Gordon, DNP, RN, OCN®, NE-BC®

9:35 a.m.	REFER: An AI-Enabled Implementation Framework to Reduce Cellular Therapy Referral Gaps Yan Leyfman, MD
9:45 a.m.	Ambient Artificial Intelligence Documentation in Acute Oncology Care: A Mixed-Methods Implementation Study Suhavi Tucker, MD
9:55 a.m.	Cancer, Older Adults, Balance and Resistance Activities: Bringing Evidence-Based Health Promotion Home Through Artificial Intelligence Kristen Fessele, PhD, RN, ANP-BC™
10:05 a.m.	Q&A and Discussion
10:20 a.m.	Break

Interdisciplinary Collaboration and Organizational Impact

MODERATOR: Wayne Quashie, Ed.D., CNS, ACNS-BC, AOCNS®, EBP-C

10:30 a.m.	Shining a Light on Oral Mucositis: Implementation of Oral Mucositis Grading and Photobiomodulation Therapy Katie Smith, DNP, MPH, RN, ACCNS-P®, CPN, CPHON®
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- 10:40 a.m. **Radiopharmaceutical Extravasation (RPE) Management in Oncology Patients**
Alexa Watson, MSN, RN, AGCNS-BC™, OCN®
Gina Rivera, BSN, RN-BC
- 10:50 a.m. **Improving Outpatient PACU Throughput Using a Nurse-Driven Length-of-Stay Reduction Initiative**
Alisa Jaganjac, MSN, RN, ACCNS-AG®, CCRN®
- 11:00 a.m. **Q&A and Discussion**

RAPID-FIRE POSTER SESSION I

MODERATOR: Dana Mazzella, BSN, RN, OCN®

- 11:15 a.m. **Preventing Occupational Exposure with Injectable Cancer Therapies**
Elwira Onysko, MSN, RN, OCN®
- 11:20 a.m. **From Clinical Inquiry to Practice: Topical Tranexamic Acid for Wounds**
Sarah Matero, BSN, RN
- 11:25 a.m. **Integrating Evidence-Based Preoperative Anxiety Education into Standard Surgical Patient Teaching**
Mary Kathryn Guenther, BSN, RN, OCN®
- 11:30 a.m. **Bridging Conversations in Palliative Care using the CONNECT Module: A Quality Improvement Project**
Alyssa Ramkissoon, RN, BSN
- 11:35 a.m. **Q&A and Discussion**

11:50 a.m. **Lunch Break**

12:50 p.m. KEYNOTE LECTURE



**From Evidence to Action:
New Possibilities for EBP in
the Age of AI**

Ophelia Chiu, MHA

1:10 p.m. **Q&A and Discussion**

Advancing Health Equity and Patient Screening

MODERATOR: Kelly Haviland, PhD, FNP-BC, TGNB-C

- 1:20 p.m. **The MSK Mobile Health Unit – A Nurse-Led Cancer Screening Program**
Raul Hernandez, ADN, BSc, RN
Jessica Llamozas, MSN, FNP-BC, CPH

1:30 p.m.	Clinical Implementation of an AI-Assisted Workflow for Systematic Clinical Trial Eligibility Prescreening Jacob Rosenthal, MSc
1:40 p.m.	Standardizing Malnutrition Screening Practices in Head and Neck Oncology: An Epic-Integrated, Patient-Driven Approach Tanner Dixon, DNP, APRN, FNP-C, PCCN®
1:50 p.m.	Q&A and Discussion
2:05 p.m.	Break

Professional Development and Education

MODERATOR: Elizabeth McNulty, DNP, RN, NE-BC®

2:15 p.m.	Academic–Clinical Partnership: Engaging Prelicensure Nursing Students in Real EBP Projects Santina Abbate, PhD, MPA, MS, RN, NE-BC®
2:25 p.m.	From Stress to Strength: Building Emotional Intelligence in New-to-Practice Nurses Liana Yeung, DNP, RN, OCN®
2:35 p.m.	Practice to Proficiency: Amplifying Nurse Confidence and Knowledge in Code and Rapid Response Event Documentation Dong Say Tan, MS, RN, AGCNS, CCRN
2:45 p.m.	Q&A and Discussion

RAPID-FIRE POSTER SESSION II

MODERATOR: Kelly Preti, DNP, MBA, AGACNP-BC

3:00 p.m.	Promoting Best Practices in Urinary Catheter Care Through CAUTI Bundle Implementation Anna Kristina Madrazo, MS, RN, CNS, OCN®
3:05 p.m.	The Breast Care Reliability Model: Improving Reliability in Breast Care Transitions Faith Selchick, DNP, APRN, AGPCNP-BC®, AOCNP®, OCN®, CPHQ
3:10 p.m.	Eliminating Enteral Nutrition Interruptions During Patient Repositioning in Oncology Patients Tamiesha Huntley, BSN, RN, CCRN®
3:15 p.m.	Q&A and Discussion
3:30 p.m.	Break

Improving Patient Outcomes

MODERATOR: Nicole Zakak, MS, RN, CPNP, CPHON®

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| 3:45 p.m. | The Impact of Scripted Communication on Bone Marrow Transplant Patients' Refusal of Chlorhexidine Gluconate Treatments
Kizzie Charles, DNP, RN, AGCNS-BC, CNOR |
| 3:55 p.m. | From Every 2 Hours to Every Shift: Shifting the Frequency of Central Venous Catheter Site Checks in Inpatient Continuous Vesicant Chemotherapy Administration
Nickey Lee, MSN, RN, AGCNS, CCRN-CMC-CSC |
| 4:05 p.m. | A Bright Idea: Using Bright Light Therapy to Address Cancer-Related Fatigue
Claire Petchler, PhD, DNP, AGPCNP-BC |
| 4:15 p.m. | Q&A and Discussion |
| 4:30 p.m. | Closing Remarks
Ashley Hole, DNP, FNP-BC, CPON®, EBP-C |

2026 PRESENTATIONS ON DEMAND

Selected presentations from the 2026 Translating Evidence to Action Conference, held on February 26, 2026, are now available to view on demand with complimentary access.

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