

Anna Franklin, M.D.

Anna Franklin, M.D., is an assistant professor of pediatrics at MD Anderson and medical director of the Adolescent and Young Adult Program. She specializes in the treatment of leukemia and lymphoma and also oversees the onco-fertility clinic within the Children's Cancer Hospital. Raised in Houston, Franklin earned her bachelor's degree in biology from the University of St. Thomas and her medical degree from UT Health Science Center in Houston. She has been with MD Anderson since 2006.

Donna Herrera Bell, MSN, RN, NP-C

Donna Herrera Bell has been treating children and adolescents for more than 12 years, including close to five years working with children with cancer. She serves as nurse practitioner for the leukemia/lymphoma team at the Children's Cancer Hospital. She earned both her bachelors and masters in nursing at UT Medical Branch in Galveston.

Kris Frost, MEd

Kris Frost is one of the pediatric school coordinators for the Children's Cancer Hospital. She has a background in special education and works with patients who are transitioning to/from their home school during cancer treatment. She works with the home school to develop amended academic plans and addresses any special needs a patient may have in the classroom due to treatment. Frost earned her bachelor's degree in psychology at The University of Texas in Austin, followed by a masters in education from Grand Canyon University.

Kristen Bardon, RD, LD, CNSD

Kristen Bardon is the senior clinical dietitian for the Children's Cancer Hospital. She has worked in the area of nutrition and pediatrics for 17 years, with the last 10 serving cancer patients. Bardon works with patients, their families and medical teams to address nutritional implications from treatment and maintain the patient's nutritional status. She earned her bachelor's degree in nutrition from UT Health Science Center in Houston.

Ian Cion

Ian Cion is the program director of the Arts In Medicine Program at the Children's Cancer Hospital. He has spent 14 years work in the field of arts and arts education, and he has developed and implemented a wide range of arts programming in clinical and hospital settings. Cion earned his bachelor's degree in literature and creative writing from Columbia University.

Michael Richardson

Michael Richardson is a music therapist at MD Anderson and works weekly with patients at the Children's Cancer Hospital. He has spent more than 20 years providing music therapy services to children and adults in various settings, including the clinic and inpatient areas. Richardson earned his degree in music therapy from Southern Methodist University.

Long Chu, MFA

Long Chu is the associate director of Writers in the Schools, a program that offers school-age children a unique experience with creative writing. Chu has overseen the WITS Program at the Children's Cancer Hospital since 1997. He earned his bachelor's degree in psychology from Houston Baptist University and a master of fine arts degree in poetry from the University of Houston.

Miah Arnold, Ph.D.

Miah Arnold is a creative writer with the WITS Program and has worked with patients at the Children's Cancer Hospital since 1998. She comes twice weekly to work with students in the Pediatric Education and Creative Arts Program. Arnold earned her bachelor's degree in English literature from Carleton College before completing her Ph.D. in English literature at the University of Houston.

Rozanne Curtis

Rozanne "Rozie" Curtis has been overseeing the Theatre Under the Stars collaboration with the Children's Cancer Hospital for close to five years. She has worked hand in hand with the pediatric education director and staff to bring a fine arts curriculum to students and patients at MD Anderson. Throughout the year, TUTS will coordinate theatrical productions at the hospital for pediatric patients and their families, many of which involve the participation of the patients. Curtis earned her degree in theatre at St. Edward's University.