

SIGNATURE PRIORITY

Meyers Institute for Oncology Nursing

Inspiring the next generation of nurses

One challenge facing cancer care is the critical shortage of qualified nurses. As many nurses approach retirement, others succumb to burnout and exit the field. At the same time, oncology nursing will face increased demand because of the growing number of cancer diagnoses, combined with a population of aging patients living longer.

MD Anderson Cancer Center has positioned itself to be a game-changer in this landscape by elevating our training and work environments and by emphasizing individual career paths for nurses. The first-of-its-kind Meyers Institute for Oncology Nursing will support and develop nurses throughout their careers by providing educational, professional and wellness-based resources tailored to cancer care nurses and nurse scientists.

Our efforts are reflected in the institution receiving a sixth Magnet designation and first Magnet with Distinction rating from the American Nurses Credentialing Center Magnet Recognition Program for excellence in nursing practice. Further supporting our efforts, a \$9 million gift from the F. W. Bert and Mae Dean Wheeler Foundation will establish the F. W. Bert and Mae Dean Wheeler Nurse Leadership Academy.

By recruiting and retaining exceptional nurses, we will expand our workforce to closely align with MD Anderson's best-in-class, value-driven approach — to better meet the complex and diverse needs of patients.

MISSION

Eliminate cancer in Texas, the nation and the world through outstanding programs that integrate patient care, research and prevention, and through education for undergraduate and graduate students, trainees, professionals, employees and the public

5 THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT MD ANDERSON

- MD Anderson Cancer Center is ranked No. 1 in the nation for cancer care in U.S. News & World Report's "Best Hospitals" survey and has been named one of the nation's top two hospitals for cancer care since the survey began in 1990
- Saw 187,000 patients, completed 1.7 million outpatient visits and delivered \$346 million in uncompensated care in the past fiscal year
- Home to the world's largest cancer clinical trials program
- Invested \$1.3 billion in research in the past fiscal year
- Received 188 patents and tested 27 drugs that received Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval in the past fiscal year

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