

ONCOLOGY NURSES RESPONDED TO THESE QUESTIONS ABOUT THEIR EXPERIENCES DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC—  
WHAT HAVE YOU LEARNED ABOUT YOURSELF, OR WHAT INSIGHTS OR COMPETENCIES HAVE YOU APPLIED TO YOUR PRACTICE?

I learned I was experiencing severe anxiety, but I tried not to show it, and it ended up presenting as anger.

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WHILE FRIENDS WORK ON THE FRONT LINE, I LEARNED TO LET GO OF THE GUILT OF WORKING REMOTELY. I MISS DAY-TO-DAY CLINICAL CARE.

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RESOURCES FOR PATIENT ACCESS TO CARE HAVE BECOME EVEN MORE LIMITED WITH THE FINANCIAL STRAINS OF THE PANDEMIC.

ANDREA THOMPSON | NURSE NAVIGATOR | WACO, TX

COVID-19 has required incredible flexibility. Being relocated off campus and working from home has required innovation for providing staff education.

SETH EISENBERG | PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE COORDINATOR | SEATTLE, WA

As an oncology nurse, when all of America came to a stop, cancer didn't stop—and neither did we.

MAVIS JONES | INFUSION NURSE | DETROIT, MI

Thinking not just “outside the box” but “without a box” is necessary to educate our nurses. Anything is fair game!

MARY SCHUELLER | ONCOLOGY CLINICAL NURSE EDUCATOR | SHEBOYGAN, WI

I learned how much we all need human interaction (patients included)—and how terrible I am teaching fifth and seventh grade English language arts.

REBECCA HOOVER | INPATIENT NURSE | CHAPEL HILL, NC

COVID-19 HAS CHALLENGED ME TO DEVELOP INNOVATIVE NATURE-BASED CLINICAL HEALTHCARE PROGRAMS THAT SUPPORT STAFF AND PATIENT WELL-BEING.

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