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EDUCATION:

2020	Doctor of Nursing Practice, Boston College
2015	Master of Science, New York University (Adult/Gero Primary Care NP)
2009	Bachelor of Science, Georgetown University (Nursing)

LICENSURE / CERTIFICATION / REGISTRATIONS:

2024	Maine Registered Nurse (RN)/ APRN (in process)
2016 – Present	Massachusetts Controlled Substance Registration
2016 – Present	Drug Enforcement Administration Registration
2016 – Present	Adult/Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner, American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AGNP-BC)
2016 – Present	Massachusetts Registered Nurse (RN)/ APRN
2016 –2020	Oncology Certified Nurse
2009 –2016	New York Registered Nurse (RN)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Academic Faculty Appointments:

2021 – Present	Assistant Professor of the Practice, Wm. F. Connell School of Nursing
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Appointments at Hospitals / Affiliated Institution:

2023 – Present	Nurse Practitioner, Dana Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, MA
2020 – 2022	Nurse Practitioner, Cristo Rey High School, Boston, MA
2016 – 2019	Nurse Practitioner, Beth Israel Lahey, Boston, MA
2009 – 2015	Registered Nurse, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, NY, NY

HONORS AND AWARDS:

2021	William F Connell Award DNP Nominee, Boston, MA
2021	Boston Globe Everyday Hero Award

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES:

2021 – Present	American Association of Nurse Practitioners
2016 – Present	Massachusetts Coalition of Nurse Practitioners
2013-2015	Oncology Nursing Society- New York City Chapter
2013-2015	Nurse Practitioner Association- New York State Chapter

PUBLICATIONS:

Refereed Articles (*original research):

Camp LC, Babicheva V, Conahan C, Hayes S, Hawkins SS. (in press - April 2025). Cannabis Use and Disclosure in the Oncology Setting: A Cross-sectional Survey Exploring Cannabis Use, Disclosure and Information Needs among Cancer Survivors. *Clinical Journal of Oncology Nursing*.

*Grossman, J. E., Muthuswamy, L., Huang, L., Akshinthala, D., Perea, S., Gonzalez, R. S., Tsai, L. L., Cohen, J., Bockorny, B., Bullock, A. J., Schlechter, B., Peters, M. L. B., Conahan, C., Narasimhan, S., Lim, C., Davis, R. B., Besaw, R., Sawhney, M. S., Pleskow, D., & Berzin, T. M. (2021). Organoid Sensitivity Correlates with Therapeutic Response in Patients with Pancreatic Cancer. *Clinical Cancer Research*.
<https://doi.org/10.1158/1078-0432.CCR-20-4116>
10.1188/15.CJON.E59-E62.

*Meng, Q., Xie, S., Gray, G. K., Dezfulian, M. H., Li, W., Huang, L., Akshinthala, D., Ferrer, E., Conahan, C., Pino, S. P. D., Grossman, J., Elledge, S. J., Hidalgo, M., & Muthuswamy, S. K. (2021). Empirical identification and validation of tumor-targeting T cell receptors from circulation using autologous pancreatic tumor organoids. *Journal for ImmunoTherapy of Cancer*, 9(11), e003213. <https://doi.org/10.1136/jitc-2021-003213>

Conahan C, Booth S, Hartley M, Okpoebo A, Sun J., (2018) Case Report: Pellagra secondary to patients with gastrointestinal malignancies and chemo based therapies. *Journal of*

Oncology Practice, 18.00227R2.

Holland, J & Flaherty, C. (2015). Nursing considerations for patients with sarcoma on pazopanib therapy. *Clinical Journal of Oncology Nursing*, 19(3):E59-62. doi:

Chapters:

Callahan, M. K., Postow, M., & Conahan, C. (2016). Checkpoint blockade for the treatment of advanced melanoma. In J. Mehnert (Ed.), *Melanoma*. Springer.
<http://ndl.ethernet.edu.et/bitstream/123456789/55587/1/57.pdf#page=232>

Published Abstracts:

4 DNP posters accepted to ENRS. The abstracts will be published later in 2025.

Campedelli, S., Conley, C., Janney, K., Kuhl, S. & Conahan, C. (2024). Increasing Concussion Knowledge in High School Faculty Serving Under Resourced Students. *Nursing Research-Abstracts for the 2024 ENRS Annual Scientific Sessions*, 73(3), E165.

Callahan, D., Chandler, S., Crane, J., & Conahan, C. (2024). Lactation Services Quality Improvement at Boston Community Health Center. *Nursing Research-Abstracts for the 2024 ENRS Annual Scientific Sessions*, 73(3), E173.

Kelley, T., McCarthy, A., & Conahan, C. (2024). Assessing Simulation Effectiveness: Unveiling Insights through the SET-M Tool in Incidental Finding Simulations. *Nursing Research-Abstracts for the 2024 ENRS Annual Scientific Sessions*, 73(3), E155.

McClure, E., Belchner, L., Gordon, S., & Conahan, C. (2024). Follow Up Appointments for Hospitalized Heart Failure Patients. *Nursing Research-Abstracts for the 2024 ENRS Annual Scientific Sessions*, 73(3), E130.

Mongare, R., Zhang, L., VanBeaver, L., Popp, A., & Conahan, C. (2024). Comparison of Guidelines for Detoxification of Alcohol and Opioids at Several Correctional Facilities in

New England. *Nursing Research-Abstracts for the 2024 ENRS Annual Scientific Sessions*, 73(3), E116.

RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP:

Dr. Catherine Conahan is a dedicated and experienced Nurse Practitioner with an extensive background in oncology. She actively contributes to advancing cancer treatment through rigorous clinical trial participation, research, and scholarship. Working with colleagues at Boston College, she collaborates in multidisciplinary teams to enhance the cancer patient experience. She has led multiple DNP projects focusing on quality improvement in various aspects of healthcare delivery and patient care. Dr. Conahan is committed to research, scholarship, disseminating research findings, and mentoring her students.

Educational Training Funding:

2021 Boston College, CSON Innovation Grant, Investigator

PRESENTATIONS:

National:

Holland, J & Flaherty, C. (2014). Nursing Considerations for Sarcoma Patients on Pazopanib Therapy. Poster presented at *Oncology Nursing Society Poster Presentation*, Anaheim, CA.

Regional:

Kelley, T., McCarthy, A., & Conahan, C. (2024) *Assessing Simulation Effectiveness: Unveiling Insights through the SET-M Tool in Incidental Finding Simulations*, 2024 Eastern Nursing Research Society Poster Presentation, Boston.

Crane, J., Callahan, D., Chandler, S., & Conahan, C. (2024.). *Lactation Services Quality Improvement at Boston Community Health Center*. 2024 Graduate Research Symposium, Boston College.

Campedelli, S., Conley, C., Janney, K., Kuhl, S. & Conahan, C. (2024) *Increasing Concussion Knowledge in High School Faculty Serving Under-Resourced Students*, 2024 Eastern Nursing Research Society Poster Presentation, Boston.

McClure, E., Gordon, S. L. B., Belschner, L. B., & Conahan, C. (2024). *Follow-Up appointments for hospitalized heart failure patients*. Boston College Poster. Eastern Research Nursing Society Annual Conference 2024. Boston Ma.

Mongare, R., Popp, A., Van Beaver, L., Zhang, L., & Conahan, C. (2024). *Comparison of guidelines for detoxification of alcohol and opioids at several correctional facilities in new england*. 2024 Graduate Research Symposium, Boston College.

Local:

Conahan, C. (2022, Nov. 14) *Cannabis: An APP Perspective* (Virtual Powerpoint). Dana Farber Cancer Institute Advance Practice Provider Conference. Boston, MA.

TEACHING ACTIVITIES:

Boston College

2021 – Present	Clinical Assistant Professor, Connell School of Nursing
2022 – Present	Undergraduate Advisor

Graduate Courses

2025	NURS 9717 Methods of Advanced Scholarly Inquiry (Doctoral; Spring)
2025	NURS 9908 DNP Project Seminar 3 (Doctoral; Spring)
2025	NURS 9904 DNP Project Seminar 1 (Doctoral; Spring)
2024	NURS 9814 Bridge to Primary Care (Doctoral; Fall)
2024	NURS 9816 Population Health Principles, Program Planning, and Evaluation (Doctoral; Fall)
2024	NURS 9908 DNP Project Seminar 3 (Doctoral; Fall)
2024	NURS 9906 DNP Project Seminar 2 (Doctoral; Fall)
2024	NURS 9904 DNP Project Seminar 1 (Doctoral; Summer)
2024	NURS 9906 DNP Project Seminar 2 (Doctoral; Summer)
2024	NURS 9819 Adult -Gerontology Primary Care Advanced Practice Nursing I (Doctoral; Spring)
2024	NURS 9904 DNP Project Seminar 1 (Doctoral; Spring)
2024	NURS 9908 DNP Project Seminar 3 (Doctoral; Spring)
2023	NURS 9819 Adult -Gerontology Primary Care Advanced Practice Nursing I (Doctoral; Fall)
2023	NURS 9906 DNP Project Seminar 2 (Doctoral; Fall)
2023	NURS 9908 DNP Project Seminar 3 (Doctoral; Fall)
2023	NURS 9904 DNP Project Seminar 1 (Doctoral; Summer)
2023	NURS 9906 DNP Project Seminar 2 (Doctoral; Summer)
2023	NURS 9904 DNP Project Seminar 1 (Doctoral; Spring)
2023	NURS 9908 DNP Project Seminar 3 (Doctoral; Spring)
2022	NURS 9815 Advance Practice Nursing Role (Doctoral; Fall)

2022	NURS 9819 Adult -Gerontology Primary Care Advanced Practice Nursing I (Doctoral; Fall)
2022	NURS 9906 DNP Project Seminar 2 (Doctoral; Fall)
2022	NURS 9904 DNP Project Seminar 1 (Doctoral; Summer)
2022	Preceptor Cristo Rey 2 days a week for 4-8 DNP students, 2 DNP projects (Doctoral; Spring)
2021	NURS 9815 Advance Practice Nursing Role (Doctoral; Fall)
2021	NURS 9827 Family Primary Care Advanced Practice Nursing II (Doctoral; Fall)
2021	Preceptor Cristo Rey 2 days a week for 4-8 DNP students, 2 DNP projects (Doctoral; Fall)
2021	NURS 8716 Health Care Policy for Nursing Leaders (Doctoral; Summer)

Graduate Guest Lectures

2024	NURS 9821 Hepatitis and Anemia in WH Primary care (Graduate, Fall)
2024	NURS 9845 Hepatitis and Anemia in AG Primary care (Graduate, Fall)
2024	NURS 9843 GI Issues in Women's Health I (Graduate, Spring)
2023	NURS 8000 GI in Pharmacology, in Clinical Pharmacology (Graduate, Fall)
2021	NURS 9828 GI Issues in Family Primary Care Advanced Practice Nursing III (Graduate, Spring)

Undergraduate Courses

2024	NURS 2205 Clinical Pharmacology (Undergraduate; Spring)
2023	NURS 2205 Clinical Pharmacology (Undergraduate; Spring)
2022	NURS 2070 Introduction to Professional Nursing (Undergraduate; Spring)

Undergraduate Guest Lectures

2025, 2024, 2023, 2022	NURS 2070 Introduction into Professional Nursing, Health Policy/ US Health Insurance in Introduction to Professional Nursing (Undergraduate; Spring)
2024	NURS 2122 Nursing Assessment of Health Across the Life Span Motherhood and Marriage considerations (Undergraduate; Fall)

Continuing Education Program

2023	Colleagues Advancing Research and Education (CARE), CSON CEU
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Advisory Responsibilities

2022 – Present	Undergraduate Advisor, CSON students
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PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE:

Academic Major Committee Assignments:

University Committees

Boston College, Connell School of Nursing
2024 – Present Baccalaureate Affairs committee
2023 – 2024 Chair, Faculty Affairs committee
2022 – 2023 Member, Faculty Affairs committee
2019 – 2020 Student Representative, DNP committee

Hospital or Affiliated Institution Major Committee Assignments:

Memorial Sloan Kettering

2014 – 2015 Fertility Council, Unit Champion
2012 – 2015 Unit Based Council

Media Interviews:

2021 2021 Everyday Heroes, The Boston Globe; Studio B

Other Advisory / Community Service:

2025 Volunteer, Maine Mission Trip with Boston College CSON students
2024 – Present Volunteer, Active Kids
2023 – Present Volunteer, Girl Power Run Club
2022 – Present Volunteer, Health office at Cristo Rey Boston
2022 – Present Volunteer, Handicap Committee, Milton Hoosic Club
2022 – Present Volunteer, January Massachusetts Health Policy forum with CSON students
2016 – 2020 Volunteer, Interview Georgetown University Undergraduate applicants
2016 – 2017 Volunteer, Habitat for Humanity, Boston
2012 – 2015 Co Captain, Cycle for Survival