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EDUCATION

BOSTON COLLEGE– Chestnut Hill, MA Doctor of Nursing Practice	Dec 2020
NEW YORK UNIVERSITY – New York, NY Master of Science, Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner	May 2015
GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY – Washington, DC Bachelor of Science, Nursing	May 2009

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

CLINICAL ASSISTANT PROFESSOR (Boston College)	Sept 2021- PRESENT
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Participate in the education of Boston College undergraduate and graduate nursing students.▪ Responsible for following objectives, disseminating supportive materials and proctoring examinations for each course.▪ Involved in DNP project as faculty mentor to 10 students..	
DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE (Cristo Rey High School Boston)	Sept 2020- PRESENT
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Assist with Boston College Faculty run health office for underprivileged kids, while precepting BC DNP students▪ Performed physicals on student athletes to allow them to compete in the athletic program▪ Increased the High Schools COVID vaccine rate from 40%-95% in 4 months during fall 2021	
NURSE PRACTITIONER (GI Oncology Service at BIDMC)	Feb 2016-JULY 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Nurse practitioner to Dr. Manuel Hidalgo and Dr. Eirini Pectasides▪ Held independent clinic for standard of care and research patients▪ Co-investigator on protocols in GI oncology at BIDMC▪ Lead NP for patient derived organoids in non-therapeutic research	
CLINICAL NURSE II/III (Office Practice Nurse Melanoma/Sarcoma/GI Service at MSKCC)	2012- 2015
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Office Practice Nurse for Dr. Gary Schwartz, Dr. Mrinal Gounder and Dr. Michael Postow▪ Obtained assessment for protocol and non-protocol patients through phone triage and clinic visits▪ Implemented evidenced based treatment care plans with medical, research, nursing and patient priorities	
CLINICAL NURSE II (Neurology, Neurosurgery, Orthopedic, and Pain/Palliative Care at MSKCC)	2009-2012
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Delivered dignified inpatient care on medical/surgical unit and Neuro- Observation Unit (Neuro ICU)	

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP/ ACTIVITIES

MASSACHUSETTS COALITION OF NURSE PRACTITIONERS	2016-PRESENT
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF NURSE PRACTITIONERS	2021-PRESENT
BOSTON COLLEGE DNP CURRICULUM COMMITTEE, STUDENT LIAISON	2019- 2020
INTERVIEW GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATES FOR ADMISSIONS	2016-2020

PUBLICATIONS

- Callahan, M. K., Flaherty, C. R., & Postow, M. A. (2016). Checkpoint blockade for the treatment of advanced melanoma. *Cancer Treatment and Research*, 167, 231-250. doi: 10.1007/978-3-319-22539-5_9.
- Conahan C, Booth S, Hartley M, Okpoebo A, Sun J, et al. Case Report: Pellagra secondary to patients with gastrointestinal malignancies and chemo based therapies. *Journal of Oncology Practice*. 2018, 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: 10.1188/15.CJON.E59-E62.
- Holland, J & Flaherty, C. (2014). Nursing Considerations for Sarcoma Patients on Pazopanib Therapy. Poster presented at *Oncology Nursing Society Poster Presentation*, Anaheim, CA.
- 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>
- 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>
- 2021 CSON Innovation Grant project entitled “Associations between Cannabis Policies, Cannabis Use and Patient-Provider Communication Among Cancer Survivors: A Cross-sectional Survey”

Honors

- 2021 William F Connell Award DNP Nominee
2021 Boston Globe Everyday Hero award