Ward speciality
Chemotherapy Day Unit is a 40 Chair ward, located on both Level 2 and Level 3.

Common patient presentations and procedures:
- Chemotherapy
- Monoclonal Antibody administration
- Blood & platelet transfusions
- Intragram, Octreotide & Cerezyme administration
- Pamidronate (APD) & Zometa infusions
- Lumbar punctures/omaya reservoir access
- Intraperitoneal Chemotherapy
- PICC line insertions / Midline insertions & dressings
- Venous access device maintenance – portacaths, Leonard’s lines, PICC lines
- Blood-taking from Central Venous access devices
- Education regarding chemotherapy, potential side-effects and patient self-care whilst receiving chemotherapy as an outpatient.
- Referral of patients to appropriate support services – Psychology, RDNS, Palliative Care, Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy, Dietician, Social Work, Breast Care
- Emotional support to patients and their significant others as necessary
- Assessment and management of pain, nausea and other symptoms as they arise – with referral to the appropriate parties for ongoing management

Common medication classes are:
- Chemotherapy
- Blood and antibody products
- Antihistamines
- Anti Emetics
- Analgesia

- Benzodiazepines
- Corticosteroids
- Antidiarrhoeals
- Colony stimulating agents eg. Filgrastin
- Apperients
- Allopironol- Tumor Lysis Syndrome

Resources
Monash Health has a range of resources that can be accessed during clinical placement including:
- Orientation session on first day
- Debrief sessions held weekly
- Ward specific education sessions
- Continuing Professional Development Calendar includes weekly education sessions
- Nursing and Midwifery Education and Strategy Clinical Nurse Educator and Undergraduate Clinical Nurse Educator
- Knowledgeable and experienced staff on the ward
- Ward specific learning packages
- Prompt link on the intranet provides policies and procedures
- Pharmacy link on the intranet provides medication reference links and dosage calculators
- Library located on the 3rd floor

Location and contact details
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