

Smilow Update: May 24, 2021

Dear Colleagues,

Magnet Status

We are proud to announce that Yale New Haven Hospital has earned Magnet re-designation from the American Nurses Credentialing Center, including Smilow Cancer Hospital! The Magnet re-designation is a testament to the education and development provided to our nursing staff, and their incredible devotion and fortitude for our patients. Thank you to our entire nursing team for their hard work and dedication!

Extended Care Clinic

On Wednesday, May 26, the Smilow Extended Care Clinic (ECC) will move back to its original location in Smilow on NP12. To facilitate the move, the ECC will be closed on Wednesday from 7am-11am and will re-open to patients at 11am. Patients requiring care in the ECC need to be referred by their provider or by the on-call physician for care, through EPIC or by phone at (203) 200-ECC1 (3221).

SARS-CoV2 Vaccination in Immunocompromised Patients

Smilow Cancer Hospital will host a panelist forum on **Thursday, May 27 at 5:30pm** for providers to share the latest information in vaccinating and caring for immunocompromised patients. Panelists will include Stuart Seropian, MD, Professor of Medicine (Hematology); Marwan Azar, MD, Assistant Professor of Medicine (Infectious Diseases); Inci Yildirim, MD, PhD, MSc, Associate Professor of Pediatrics (Infectious Diseases and Global Health); Maricar Malinis, MD, FACP, FIDSA, FAST, Associate Professor of Medicine (Infectious Diseases); and Jeffrey Topal, MD, Associate Clinical Professor of Medicine (Infectious Diseases). Please send questions in advance for the panel to address during the forum to canceranswers@yale.edu.

Emotional Wellness Webinars

Please join Tara Sanft, MD, Chief Experience Officer, and Roy S. Herbst, MD, PhD, Chief of Medical Oncology, along with co-presenters Robin Stern, PhD, and Marc Brackett, PhD, of the Yale Center for Emotional Intelligence, for a four-part webinar series focused on Emotions.

Wednesday, May 26 at 12 noon: Recognizing Emotions in Self and Others: Perception or Reality?

How do we perceive our own and others' emotions? What is the information we need to know in order to move from attributing emotion to perceiving emotion? How do we make fewer mistakes in reading other people's emotions?

Monday, June 21 at 12 noon: Understanding and Labeling Emotions: Name it to Tame it

Why is it important to name your feelings and to understand what triggers them? What are the global themes versus specific themes associated with different emotions?

Wednesday, July 7 at 12 noon: Expressing Emotions: Power, Race, Gender, and Culture

What are the factors that impact our comfort level and the rules around expressing emotions. Why do we mask our emotions? What are the implications?

Wednesday July 21 at 12 noon: Regulating Emotions: From Breathing to Reframing

What are the most helpful ways for us to manage our emotions and to co-regulate with others while taking into account individual differences and context, both in the short term and the long term.

Smilow Star!

Today we celebrate **Aliènne Salleroli**, Assistant Patient Services Manager (APSM) for the Smilow NP4 and NP8 Multispecialty clinics. Aliènne is relatively new to the leadership team but worked as a Nurse Coordinator in the Phase 1 Unit for four years prior to taking her current position. During the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, she was the link between research patients, their physician providers, and the entire team, creating communication tools to keep everyone in the loop about new visits and new trials.



We are proud to announce that Aliènne graduated from The Citadel earlier this month with her master's degree in leadership. She was nominated and selected to receive the Lieutenant General John W. Rosa Award presented by General Glenn Walters for outstanding academic achievement, student engagement, and scholarly excellence, and based on her final research project focused on racial disparities in the South in light of COVID. Aliènne is the first woman of color to receive this award. With a military background, Aliènne had always dreamed of going to The Citadel but at the time of her undergraduate studies females were not allowed entrance to the school. We are so glad she found a way to fulfill her dream during graduate training!

Congratulations, Aliènne, you are a remarkable Smilow Star!

Best regards,

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