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Expanding Cancer Care Quality and Delivery in Sub-Saharan Africa: a collaborative approach



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Ashley Leak Bryant, PhD, RN, OCN, FAAN

Service—and the desire to provide a net public good—is at the core of Dr. Bryant and informs every aspect of her professional work. Over the course of her career, the ways in which she has served has gradually expanded outward from serving at UNC to the broader nursing community on national and international levels. The core of her professional mission is to mentor future generations of nurse and non-nurse clinicians and scientists. As an educator, she is guided by a teaching philosophy that emphasizes collaborative learning and transformational experiences.

Dr. Ashley Leak Bryant joined the UNC School of Nursing (SON) in 2013 and during her time at UNC, she has engaged in global and oncology focused research, teaching, and service opportunities to improve the quality of lives for patients, families, and communities. Her research has two themes: (1) mediating symptom and functional synergies that impact quality of life of adults and older adults with blood cancers through palliative and supportive care interventions; and (2) developing the nursing and cancer careforce through interprofessional education and global capacity building. In August 2021, Dr. Bryant was named an inaugural Assistant Director for Cancer Research Training and Education Coordination where she directs 2 fellowship programs for students at UNC and North Carolina Central University. The fellowships focus on capacity building of oncology nurses and the oncology workforce to increase diversity in cancer clinical trials. Additionally, she developed an inaugural oncology nursing elective course (Summer 2020) across the lifespan and ~130 students have participated in the course and 35% work in pediatric or adult oncology or hospice nursing today. She leads cross-cultural collaborations to build the oncology workforce and strengthen nursing education at both national and international levels. Dr. Bryant has continued to manage an active program of research, mentors undergraduate and graduate students across academic programs, and remains engaged in professional and service activities. Her exceptional work has been recognized by both the American Academy of Nursing and Gerontological Society of America where she is designated as a fellow. She has a BSN (2003) and MSN-Nursing Administration (2005) from UNC-Greensboro, PhD in Nursing from UNC Chapel Hill and Interdisciplinary Certificate in Aging (2011), and completed a post-doctoral fellowship at UNC Chapel Hill Gillings School of Global Public Health (2011-2013).

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Benyam Muluneh, PharmD., BCOP, CPP

Dr. Benyam Muluneh is an assistant professor at UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy. His ongoing research endeavors include: 1) Develop strategies to improve medication adherence in clinical practice; 2) Optimize tolerability and safety of chemotherapy in cancer patients; and 3) Promote chemotherapy access and affordability to underinsured and uninsured cancer patients in the United States and beyond. He also teaches in the PharmD curriculum and has a passion for international health. He is the co-director of the UNC-Ethiopia Alliance and serves as a preceptor for one of the Global Pharmacy Scholar (GPS) experiences in Ethiopia.

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Jen Hotchkiss is the Nurse Director of Yawkey 9 at Dana-Farber Cancer Insitute in Boston, Massachusetts. She serves as an Adjunct Faculty member at the UNC Chapel Hill School of Nursing where she obtained her MSN. The focus of her Adjunct Faculty work is sharing her clinical oncology expertise and international nursing experience with her partners at UNC Project Malawi and Kamazu Central Hospital to support the growth of oncology nursing in Malawi.

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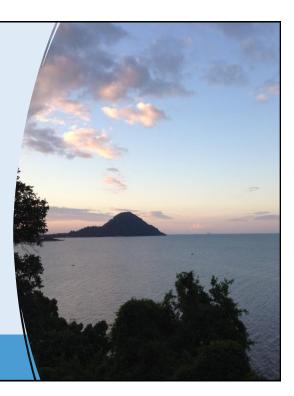
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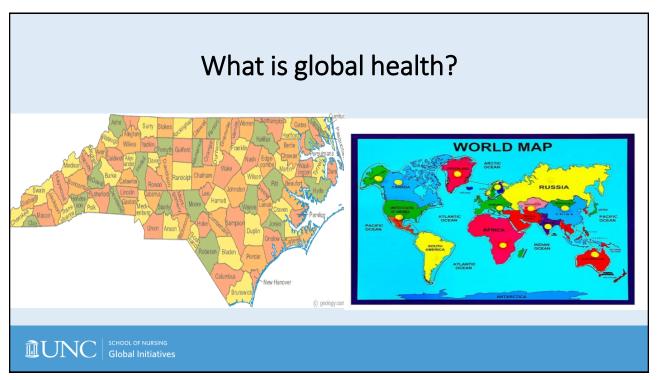












Cancer in Malawi

- Public health problem
- Malawi, along with other countries in sub-Saharan Africa, has seen an increase in cancer incidence
- Common cancers in Malawi
 - Breast
 - Cervical
 - Esophageal
 - Kaposi sarcoma
 - Lymphoma



The Cancer Atlas, https://canceratlas.cancer.org/the-burden/sub-saharan-africa/

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Brief Background and History of the UNC Project in Malawi

- Works in partnership with Malawi Ministry of Health since 1989
- Mission
 - To improve the health of the Malawians by providing service, research, and training
- Initial work validated MoH clinical treatment algorithms for sexually transmitted infections
- Currently works on variety of areas: cancer, HIV, malaria, obstetrics, gynecology, and pediatrics, mental health, general non-communicable diseases and capacity building of local Malawians

Research Focus Areas, https://globalhealth.unc.edu/malawi/cancerprogram/research-areas/

Principles of Collaboration

UNC Project Malawi: To identify innovative, culturally acceptable, and affordable methods to improve the health of the people of Malawi through research, capacity building, and care.

UNC School of Nursing: To build capacity and training of nurses in Malawi through research, education, and practice opportunities in oncology nursing.

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December 2018 Visit

- Malawian delegation visited UNC Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center, June 2018
- Need assessment
 - Kamuzu Central Hospital (KCH)
 - Kamuzu College of Nursing (KCN)
 - Malawi Palliative Care
 - Malawi Ministry of Health
- Build oncology nursing capacity in Malawi

December 2018 Assessment

Develop Short modular basic oncology nursing courses.

Engage Faculty at Kamuzu College of Nursing and Kamuzu Central Hospital.

Provide Mentorship to Drs. Chifundo Zimba and Agatha Bula on research proposals and obtain pilot funding.

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Building Capacities FACULTY EDUCATION PRACTICE RESEARCH

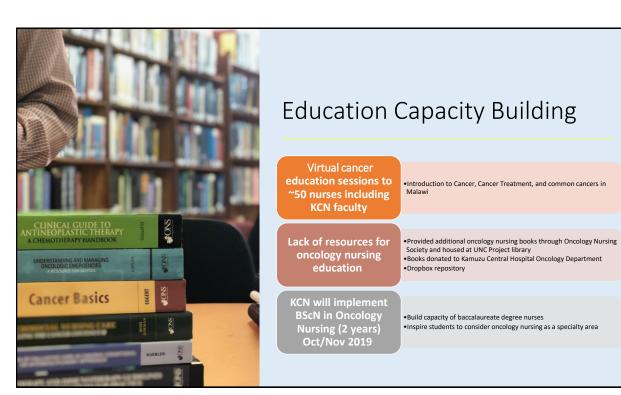
Education Capacity Building

Drs. Bula and Bryant presented about global cancer care on June 5, 2019 to UNC School of Nursing students





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What is the role of the oncology nurse leader in building oncology nursing capacity in Malawi?

Teaches practical ways to cope with changes in appearance from cancer https://bit.ly/32KL8eU

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nursing schools, regular in-services about caring for adults with cancer and their care-givers, and intensified cancer awareness in Malawian communities.

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Evaluating the Knowledge Change Before and After Continuing Cancer **Education in Malawian Nurses** Jennifer Hotchkiss¹ - Agatha Kapatuka Bula^{1,2} · Chifundo Zimba¹ · Samuel Bingo³ · Mabel Chinkhata⁴ · Lixin Song⁵ · Ashley Leak Bryant^{1,6} Accepted: 7 May 2023 / Published online: 20 May 2023 © The Author(s) under exclusive licence to American Association for Cancer Education 2023 **Evaluating Knowledge Change** Abstract Malawi has high cancer incidence and mortality. Efforts to train and educate oncology murses have been identified as an area of need. This study evaluates the educational needs of oncology nurses in Malawi and the effects of a virtual cancer education program on improving the knowledge of cancer epidemiology, treatment, and nursing care of common cancers among encology awares in Malawi. The educational programs consisted of four sessions at one-month intervals focused on Cancer Screening, Survivorship, Radiation Therapy, and Complementary and Alternative Therapies. A pretest–poster design was used. Overall, there was an increase in knowledge at each session: cancer screening (47% w 59%), survivorship (22% vs 100%), and complementary and alternative therapies (65% w 88%). Using virtual continuing education sessions is an effective tool to enhance the knowledge of encology murses in Malawi. These education sessions can serve as an example of how other Schools of Nursing in do. wand middle-resource countries to support the advancement of oncology nursing knowledge, and ultimately, oncologic care. Before and After Continuing Cancer **Education in Malawian Nurses** Journal of Cancer Education Keywords Malawi · Nurse · Cancer · Education · Virtual · Knowledge 2023, 38:1624-1628 Introduction The burden of cancer in Sub-Saharan Africa is increasing, particularly in Malawi [1]. The four most common types of encore in Malawi are cervical, esyndapeal, Kapois surcous, and non-Hodgkin lymphoma [2, 3]. The most common treat-encore in Malawi are cervical, esyndapeal, Kapois surcous, and mon-Hodgkin lymphoma [2, 3]. The most common treat-encore in Malawi are considered in the surface of the signs and symptoms cancer have been found. Therefore, the treatment of cancer is noten aggressive, with unpleasant side effects and symptoms such an anusea, vomiting, infection, and effects and symptoms such as nausea, vomiting, infection, and gastrointestinal infections [7–9]. Thus, nursing care is critical ment for cancer in Malawi is chem otherapy. Often, patients UNC School of Nursing, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, USA UNC Project Malawi, Lilongwe, Malawi Jennifer Hotchkiss Jennifer_hotchkiss@dfci.harvard.edu Agatha Kapatuka Bula abula@unclilongwe.org National Cancer Centre, Kamuzu Central Hospital, PO Box 149, Lilongwe, Malawi Chifundo Zimba colleta zimba@gmail.com 4 Kamuzu Central Hospital, P. O Box 149, Lilongwe, Malawi Samuel Bingo Josephbingo26@gmail.com School of Nursing UT Health San Antonio, 7703 Floyd Curl Drive, Mail Code 7947, San Antonio, TX 78229, USA UNC Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, USA Mabel Chinkhata chinkhatam@gmail.com Lixin Song songl2@uthscsa.edu Ashley Leak Bryant ashley bryant@unc.

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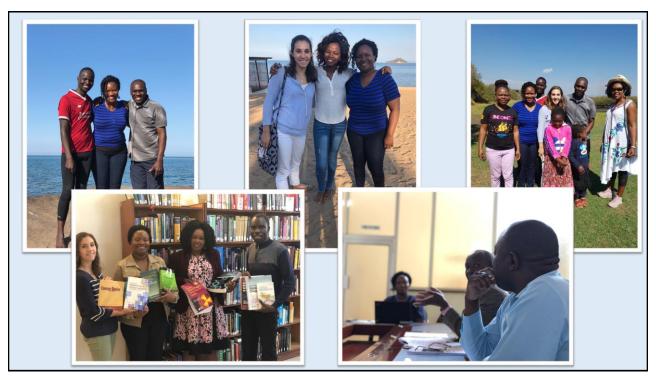
- Goal: Assess the impact of virtual education programs on nursing knowledge of various oncology topics
- Design: Pre-Post Test Design
- Topics:
 - Cancer Screening
 - Survivorship
 - Radiation Therapy
 - Complementary and Alternative Therapy Use in Oncology
- Results: Positive knowledge change in all areas

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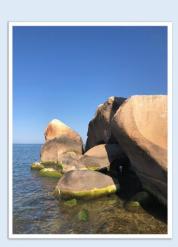




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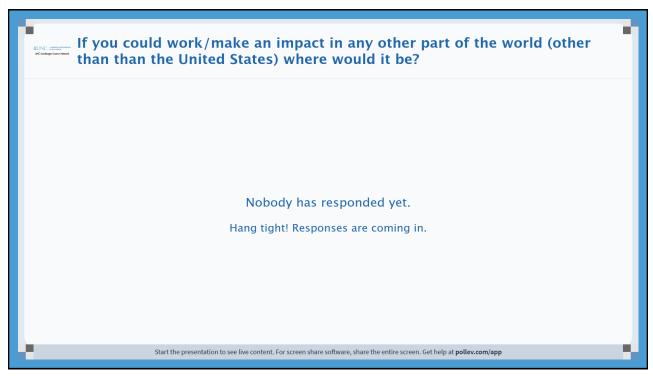


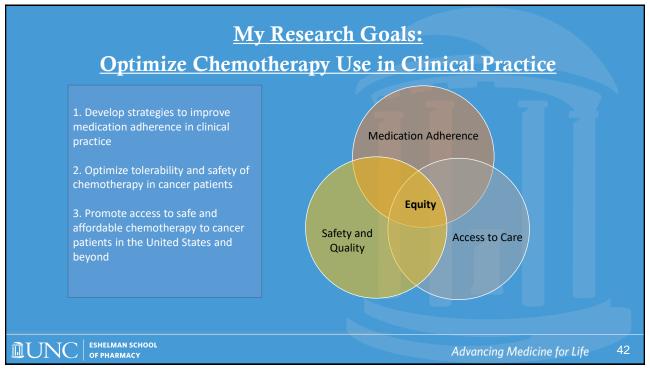
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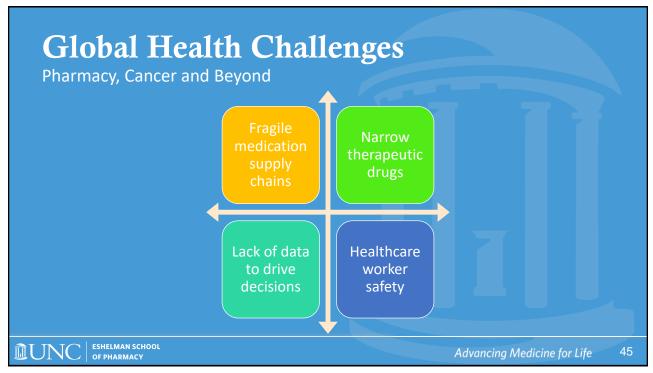
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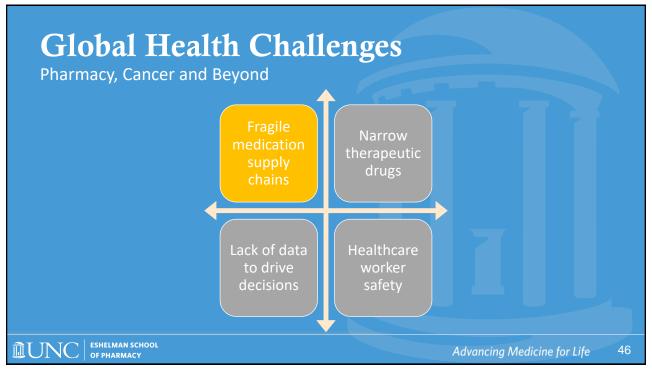


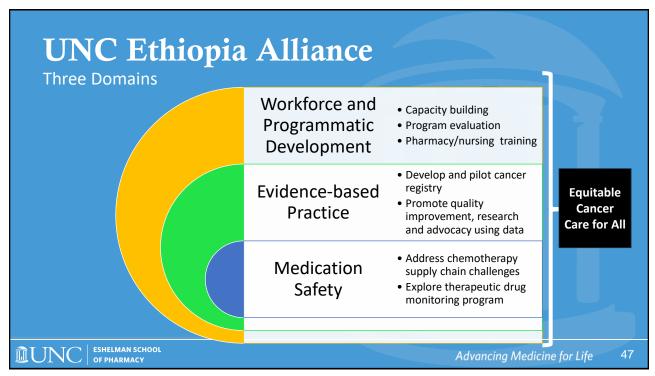


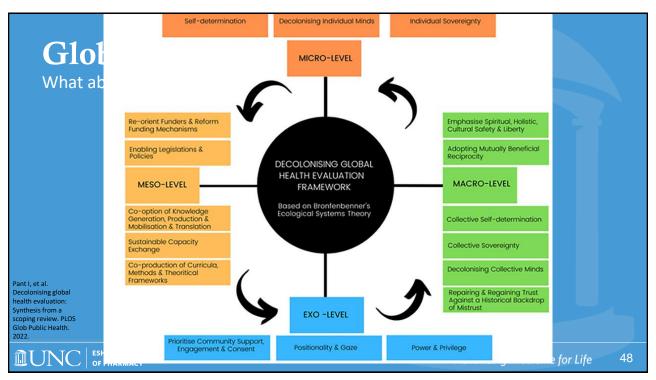




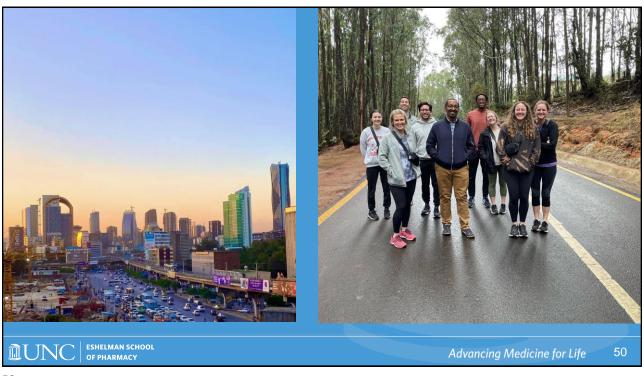














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