

Joanna Buchanan – Roche Education Award

ACCP/ASHP 2024 Oncology Pharmacy Board Review and Recertification Course

March 7-9, 2024, Dallas, Texas

I'd like to thank NZHPA for awarding me with a Roche Education Grant to attend the live Board Certification in Oncology Pharmacy review and recertification course in Dallas, Texas in March 2024. This course is jointly run by the American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP) and American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) and is a comprehensive three-day course covering the majority of topics in cancer treatment. It is designed for experienced oncology/haematology pharmacists to sit exams to become Board Certified in Oncology Pharmacy. Topics included adult haematology including bone marrow transplantation and myelodysplastic syndromes, adult oncology, research design and statistics, pharmacogenomics, oncology practice management, cancer related infectious diseases, paediatric malignancies and supportive care.

Information presented is the latest evidence-based treatment of all oncology and haematological malignancies from subject matter experts. In addition to the presentations all materials are provided electronically including detailed subject chapters for further study.

I thoroughly enjoyed this course with a lot of material covered over the three days. It was also great to connect with other pharmacists and gain insight into pharmacy practice internationally. This course has been hugely beneficial to fill in gaps in knowledge and to identify areas for improvement. I have been able to implement new knowledge gained into my clinical practice. I hope to continue to study and sit the exams later in the year. I would highly recommend this course to other oncology/haematology pharmacists wanting to further their knowledge and become up to date with the latest treatment evidence. The live course is run annually every March and online modules are also available.



