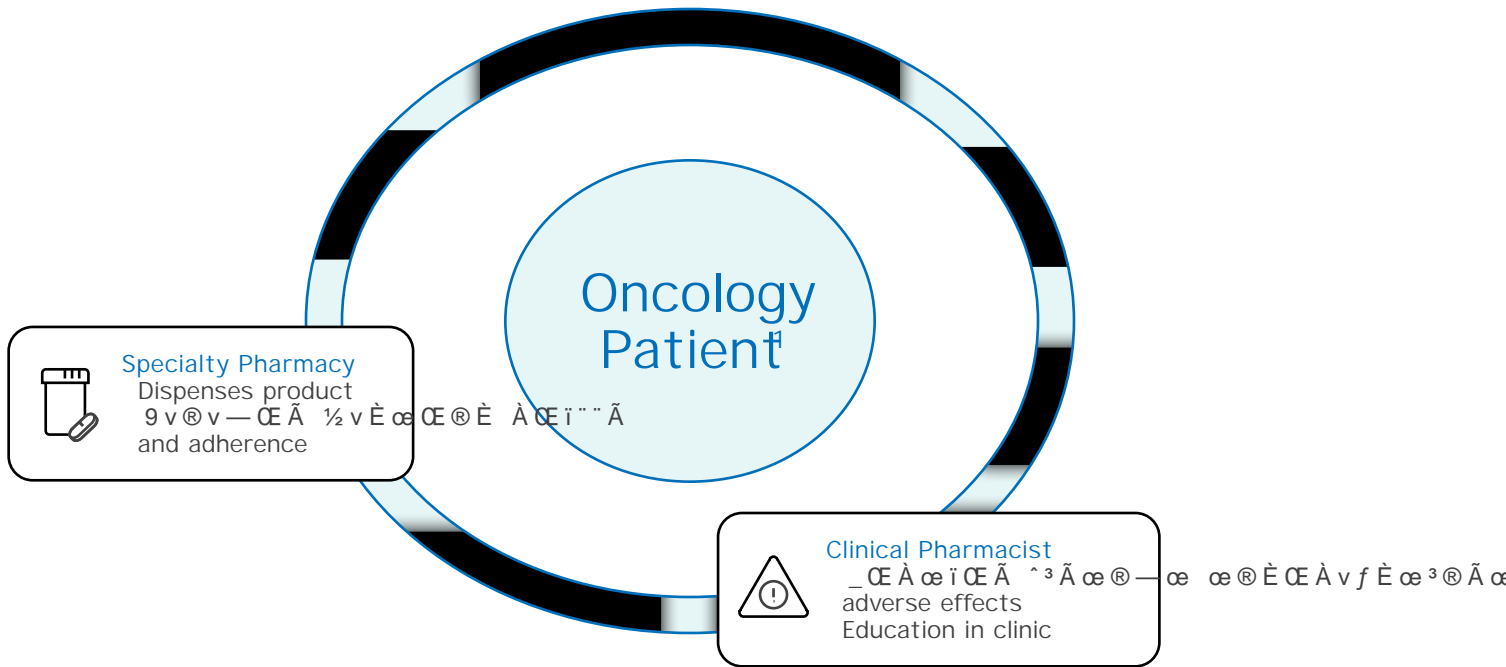


What Made an Oral Chemotherapy Management Program Successful?

Investigators performed a retrospective study of an oral chemotherapy management program (OCMP) at the Henry Ford Cancer Institute between 2012 and 2016 to measure the impact of the program on adverse events in patients taking oral chemotherapy. This study compared patients treated in the same center before and after implementation of the OCMP.

A multidisciplinary group was organized to support a variety of components related to medication adherence in order to decrease the incidence of adverse effects and improve management of any adverse effects.



Background

A total of 350 patients were included in the study: 175 patients in the OCMP group and 175 patients in the pre-OCMP group.

Results

All-grade toxic effects for nausea, diarrhea, hand-and-foot, vomiting, and stomatitis were significantly reduced in the OCMP group compared to the pre-OCMP group.

Interpretation

This model, while successful, can help guide other management programs but is not all encompassing or practical for all practices.

Conducts billing inquiries

Manages adverse effects, provides education

