

Catching Up with Past Grantees: *How their funds were used, information disseminated and tips and advice for future applicants.*

Deborah H. Allen, PhD, RN, CNS, FNP-BC, AOCNP

Duke Raleigh Cancer Center

Study: PACMen, granted in 2018

1. How did the JPB grant funding impact your research study/project?

Funding was used to provide patient information and compensation for participating in the research study. It also paid for statistical support. While the funding did not compensate staff time, it served as a recognition to our leadership that staff time was valued for the completion of the study. This aided the team to promote support for our institution to provide staff time.

2. How were your findings shared/disseminated?

Findings were disseminated at ONS Congress during several stages in the study and published in CJON. We also presented locally through our Nursing Research and EBP Council and was a feature presentation for our 2018 Magnet site visit.

3. In hindsight, do you have any tips or advice for those who will be applying for a grant during this next cycle?

Consider asking nurses who are on their clinical ladder progression to participate; secure leadership support for indirect staff time; work with the medical director and nursing leadership if recruiting patients for study participation; consider the amount of time it might take for your study to be approved by IRB within the funding cycle; make sure you can perform the study from start to finish within the year timeline (else extensions are necessary)

4. Is there any other information you would like to share about your research/project and/or DAISY grant experience?

This study has led to another study using a similar intervention and some of the same team members teaching other staff how to engage in research. Very helpful to lean on the experiences of others for both the intervention and performance of research team roles.

Dr. Feyi Sangoleye PhD, RN

University of Illinois Hospital and Health Sciences System

Study: Nurse-Driven Anxiety and Depression Support during SCT, funded in 2018

1. How did the JPB grant funding impact your research study/project?

The funding provided a much-needed opportunity to focus on the psychosocial needs of our bone marrow transplant patients. As healthcare professionals, we are usually concerned about their primary

diagnosis and management of the physical changes related to the stem cell transplant. The JPB grant funding allowed us to address their psychological responses to being isolated after their transplant.

2. How were your findings shared/disseminated?

The findings were shared at unit specific meetings and during the annual hospital-wide research presentation

3. In hindsight, do you have any tips or advice for those who will be applying for a grant during this next cycle?

Conduct a thorough literature review. If applicable, make sure the unit nurses are passionate about the work being proposed. Outline the rationale for your project clearly.

4. Is there any other information you would like to share about your research/project and/or DAISY grant experience?

I would recommend that other applicants start the IRB process as soon as they awarded the grant. That was probably the hardest part of the process for us.

Leanne Adamson, MS, RN, PCNS-BC, CPHON

Children's Hospital of Colorado

Study: Icing Mucositis, granted in 2018

1. How did the JPB grant funding impact your research study/project?

- The majority of our funding was used to provide fun popsicles for the kiddos on our floor to use as “cryotherapy”, which was the evidence based practice intervention.
 - Without this funding, we know the impact of the intervention would have been much more challenging to engage our patients and team members in providing the cryotherapy.
 - We were able to ensure all of our patients had access to fun and enticing popsicles & ice cream to cool their mouths during their chemotherapies
 - We were able to provide these special popsicles for almost 2 years with the generous funding! Since then, we have had to go back to hospital supplied otter pops/slushies.

2. How were your findings shared/disseminated?

I have had the opportunity to present 3 different times, each time has been so well received! I have attached a copy of the poster for your viewing.

- 2020 – Magnet Exemplar for our unit

- Accepted to Association of Pediatric Hematology Oncology Nurses Conference (conference cancelled due to covid)
- 2021 – Both Virtual conferences due to covid, so no pictures 😊, but allowed 5-10 minutes to present as well as a recorded session.
 - Poster Presentation: Association of Pediatric Hematology Oncology Nurses Conference
 - Poster Presentation: Rocky Mountain Evidence Based Practice Symposium
- 2022
 - In person Poster Presentation: Western Institute of Nursing Conference (pictures attached)
- **3. In hindsight, do you have any tips or advice for those who will be applying for a grant during this next cycle?**

Have a well thought out & realistic timeline for the project.

Ensure your pre data is readily available and accessible. Ensure you have good access and support to the data you need, and a way to analyze your data. Ensure you have access to your data or have organizational support to access this data and analyze this data to show improvement.

Be clear with your director or supervisor with any competing priorities that you may have; it was very challenging to be the lead of this project while balancing the demands of being a clinical nurse specialist on a highly acute oncology unit with many other organizational leadership roles as well.

Don't be afraid to ask for help, use all the resources you can in your organization and find a team to work on this project with you that are really invested! The bedside RNs and provider champion were awesome, and they really supported this project from conception to finish.

4. Is there any other information you would like to share about your research/project and/or DAISY grant experience?

Very thankful to the DAISY team for the support throughout this journey, and the opportunity to be awarded this grant. It was a great experience, and my first experience navigating a grant write up and executing a project at this level.

Many thanks to the team for their understanding and extensions to deadlines, when we hit barrier after barrier with our data collection and electronic medical record builds.