



PEACE - Munch and Learn Series 2026

Promoting Engagement, Aloha, & Compassion in the Everyday Care
of People Facing Serious Illness

The Supporting Pillars of Hope: The Role of Hope Throughout Care of a Child with Serious Illness (Cancer)



February 19, 2026
12:00 to 1:00 pm HST

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Pediatric Oncology Social Worker
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Children

Join us for a special Munch & Learn session to expand understanding and awareness of the unique contributions that social workers make in the interdisciplinary care of persons facing a serious illness! In this training, Mary will provide an overview of the social work role and practice in the specialty of pediatric oncology. Using case studies, she will discuss various psychosocial interventions to support patients and families through a child's cancer journey and explore the role of hope to inform advance care planning.

Mary Mullis, LCSW, OSW-C is an oncology social worker and facility dog handler at Kapi'olani Medical Center for Women and Children. She received a Masters of Social Work from the University of Hawaii at Manoa. She has worked with families and children with developmental disabilities in Early Intervention Services and adults with histories of homelessness and mental illness prior to her current role. Mary has been a pediatric oncology social worker for over 10 years, with specialty training in oncology navigation and palliative care. As a social worker, Mary helps people cope with the emotional, social, and physical impact of cancer during treatment and after. Mary also supports pediatric patients throughout the hospital with animal assisted therapy with Ruby.



Registration: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/Pk7aL93yTnuUkLhKTSq6ig#/registration>

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