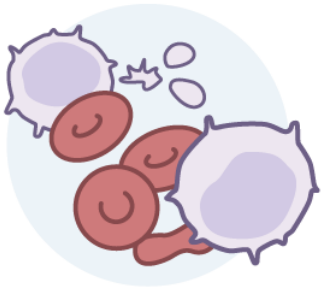
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Foundations of Cancer Disease Sites Series

Hematological Malignancies

Multiple Myeloma, Lymphoma, and Leukemia

COURSE SYLLABUS (CDSH02ODM26)

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Course Format: eLearning

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Registration: Required

Eligibility: Available to all regulated health care professionals working along the cancer care continuum.

Prerequisite: *Successful completion of any of the following courses: Cancer Care Basics, Foundations in Oncology Nursing Practice, or Standardized Chemotherapy and Biotherapy is* ***required*** *prior to registering in this course.*

Exclusions: *If you have taken Complex Malignant Hematology (CMHE) course within the last 5 years, we do not recommend CDSH because all content would have been covered by CMHE.*

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A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course highlights the care of multiple myeloma, lymphoma, and leukemia providing comprehensive information about incidence, pathophysiology, and risk factors for developing these hematological malignancies. Diagnosis, treatment, and follow up care are discussed in detail and provides learners with essential knowledge for the care of patients with hematological malignancies.

There are **14 modules** in the course and **3 case quizzes**. The quizzes consist of a case study for each disease site (multiple myeloma, lymphoma, leukemia) where you will apply your knowledge to the care of three individual patients; one per disease site.

Although you can complete the various components of the course at your own pace, you must complete the course within **8 weeks** of your course registration date (this date can be found on the course information page in *My Account*).

About the *Foundations of Cancer Disease Sites Series*

The *Foundations of Cancer Disease Sites Series* will consist of **over twenty cancer disease site courses** that you can select and combine to fit your clinical practice needs. The first disease sites courses in the series are:

- Bladder Cancer
- Brain Cancer
- Breast Cancer
- Cervical Cancer
- Colorectal Cancer
- Esophageal Cancer
- Head and Neck Cancers
- Hematological Malignancies (Multiple Myeloma, Lymphoma, and Leukemia)
- Kidney Cancer
- Liver Cancer
- Lung Cancer
- Ovarian Cancer
- Pancreatic Cancer
- Prostate Cancer
- Sarcoma
- Skin Cancer
- Stomach Cancer
- Testicular Cancer

We will continue to update and add cancer disease sites to the course series: https://www.desouzainstitute.com/cdsm

B. de Souza DESIGNATION CREDITS

Domain of Practice	Treatment and Delivery of Evidence Based Care
Learning Hours	16.25 hours
de Souza Credit	0.25 credits

C. COURSE OBJECTIVES

By the end of this course, you will be able to:

- Identify the etiology, epidemiology, risk factors, and pathophysiology of multiple myeloma, lymphoma, and leukemia.
- Outline the diagnosis and staging for multiple myeloma, lymphoma, and leukemia.
- Describe the current management and treatment modalities for multiple myeloma, lymphoma, and leukemia.
- Describe the nursing role and considerations for caring for patients with multiple myeloma, lymphoma, and leukemia.
- Teach patients (and their families/caregivers) self-management strategies for living with multiple myeloma, lymphoma, and leukemia.

D. MODE OF LEARNING

The eLearning environment fosters a self-directed, self-paced, asynchronous approach.

- **eLearning Modules:** Sections and modules reflect the latest knowledge in complex malignant hematology, including interactive application exercises and links to the latest clinical guidelines.
- **Study Guides**: Each course section has a fillable study guide that you can fill electronically or print and fill in as you progress through the interactive course modules.

E. MODES OF EVALUATION

As part of the evaluation process, you are required to complete the following:

- **Baseline Participant Survey:** This survey obtains your demographics and assesses your knowledge and confidence before you begin the eLearning modules for the course.
- **eLearning Modules:** You must complete all 14 modules by the course end date.
- **Case Study Based Quizzes**: There is a final case-based quiz for each disease site. Each disease site quiz consists of 8-10 multiple choice questions. You must receive a grade of at least 75% to pass. You have **two attempts** at each quiz to achieve a passing grade.
- **Learner Evaluations:** At the end of each section, you will be required to complete a "Learner Evaluation" where you can provide your feedback on whether the content met your professional practice needs. These surveys are facilitated electronically through eLearning.

When you have successfully completed the above requirements, you will receive **16.25 learning hours**, **0.25 de Souza credits** towards obtaining your de Souza designation, and an email containing instructions on how to download your **certificate of completion** via your "My Account".

F. EXPECTATIONS FOR PARTICIPANTS

You will need 2-3 hours a week minimum to complete the course on time. Track your course completion by viewing the 'completion progress' in the upper right-hand corner of the course screen. Course extensions are not permitted, however in the case of unexpected illness see section L for a link to policy for accommodation. The study guides will provide you with course content you can keep for future reference, because after your course expiry date, you will not have access to the course or course resources.

G. COURSE EDUCATORS

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H. EDUCATOR AVAILABILITY

This course is **self-directed**. If you have questions about the course or are having difficulty with the course content, contact support@desouzainstitute.com and include the course name "CDSH02ODM26" in the subject line. You can expect the Educator to respond to your questions within 24 hours during the week and within 48 hours (about 2 days) on the weekend.

I. SUGGESTED COURSE TIMELINE

	Suggested Weekly eLearning Activities
Week 1	✓ Learner Agreement ✓ Participant Baseline Survey ✓ Optional but recommended: Section 01 - Review of hematopoiesis, the immune system and diagnostic testing ✓ Download (fillable) or Print the **Multiple Myeloma** Study Guide ✓ Multiple Myeloma - Module 01: Pathophysiology & Diagnosis (1.5 hours)
Week 2	✓ Multiple Myeloma - Module 02: Treatment (1.5 hours) ✓ Multiple Myeloma Quiz ✓ Multiple Myeloma Learner Evaluation
Week 3	✓ Download (fillable) or Print the **Lymphoma** Study Guide ✓ Lymphoma - Module 01: Introduction, Presentation and Diagnosis (0.5 hours) ✓ Lymphoma - Module 02: Hodgkin lymphoma (1.5 hours)
Week 4	✓ Lymphoma - Module 03: Introduction to non-Hodgkin lymphoma (1.0 hours) ✓ Lymphoma - Module 04: Aggressive B-Cell NHL (1.5 hour) ✓ Lymphoma - Module 05: Indolent B-cell NHL (1.5 hours)

Week 5	✓ Lymphoma - Module 06: T-cell lymphomas (0.75 hours) ✓ Lymphoma Quiz ✓ Lymphoma Learner Evaluation
Week 6	✓ Download (fillable) or Print the **Leukemia** Study Guide ✓ Leukemia - Module 01: Pathophysiology and diagnosis (1 hour) ✓ Leukemia - Module 02: Acute myeloid leukemia (1.5 hour)
Week 7	✓ Leukemia - Module 03: Acute lymphoblastic leukemia (1 hour) ✓ Leukemia - Module 04: Myelodysplastic syndrome (1 hour) ✓ Leukemia - Module 05: Chronic myeloid leukemia (1 hour)
Week 8	✓ Leukemia - Module 06: Complications & Supportive care (1 hour) ✓ Leukemia Quiz ✓ Leukemia Learner Evaluation
	Total Course Hours: 16.25 hours (does not include section 01, quizzes, or learner evaluations)

J. VIRTUAL LIBRARY

de Souza Institute has a virtual library that you can access 24 hours a day using your de Souza Institute login and password. There are 1500 e-Journals, 200 e-books and 8 on-line databases (e.g., CINAHL, Ovid-Medline) you can access to get the additional reading materials for your course.

The direct link is https://library.desouzainstitute.com/login.

K. TECHNICAL SUPPORT

eLearning Centre Orientation

The de Souza Institute eLearning Centre Orientation Course is a free, and brief module designed to help you navigate your online courses successfully. If this is your first time accessing the platform, completing this orientation will teach you how the learning management system works and how to track your progress.

de Souza Institute Support

If you need assistance accessing or navigating the eLearning Centre, please refer to the eLearning Orientation course. If you experience any technical difficulties, please contact support@desouzainstitute.com.

L. POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Click the links below to read important de Souza Institute policies:

Academic Honesty and Copyright Policy

Cancellations, Incomplete and No-Show Policy

Request for Accommodation Policy