DEPARTMENT OF PHYSIOTHERAPY – RVH GLEN SITE STUDENT CLINICAL PROGRAM REVIEW MATERIAL

ROTATION: Oncology OPD

To prepare for your placement, please review the following:

Conditions/Topics:

- 1. Hematological cancers: myeloma, leukemia, lymphoma
- 2. Lung cancer
- 3. Breast cancer
- 4. Prostate cancer
- 5. Brain cancer (Ex: glioblastoma, astrocytoma)
- 6. Pancreatic cancer
- 7. Stages of cancer
- 8. Bone metastases

Medications: be aware of their indications, as well as side effects and precautions in physiotherapy.

- 1. Hormonal therapy: use of prednisone, decadron
- 2. Chemotherapy: associated symptoms such as peripheral neuropathy
- 3. Radiotherapy: associated symptoms such as risk factor for avascular necrosis
- *Be aware of blood counts: hemoglobin, platelets, neutrophil levels

Assessment/Treatment:

- 1. Mobility/gait
- 2. 6MWT
- 3. Berg Balance Test
- 4. Risk for falls
- 5. Use of walking aid
- 6. Pain assessment