Integrative health modalities, such as electroacupuncture, have great potential to provide symptom relief in cancer patients suffering from toxicities.

I hope this funded research will provide valuable information on the role of integrative health in managing side effects, with an ultimate goal to improve the quality of life in cancer survivors.

About My Research

Adolescent and young adult (AYA) cancer survivors often experience many symptoms which can lead to functional impairment at great economic, emotional, and social cost.

Through a clinical trial, we aim to investigate the efficacy of electroacupuncture to improve symptoms and quality of life in AYA cancer patients and survivors.

Why This Cancer Research

As a clinical pharmacist, I routinely provide supportive care to patients and survivors who are suffering from side effects of their anticancer treatment.

Unfortunately, effective treatments are often lacking for managing these toxicities, specifically cancer-related cognitive changes. This side effect has major implication in AYA cancer survivors because cancer-related symptoms can cause great affect for ability to return to school and/or work, as well as resuming a normal life post cancer treatment.

If you are a cancer patient or survivor and interested in enrolling into the trial, please visit https://faculty.sites.uci.edu/alexchan928/ongoing-trials/.