

**Bio:****Leana Chien, MSN, GNP-BC**

**Leana Chien** is a Nurse Practitioner for the Center for Cancer and Aging. She is working with older adults who have cancer under an IRB protocol to assess and treat geriatric oncology patients by performing a geriatric assessment in various healthcare settings including outpatient, inpatient and tele-health to improve the care of older adults. She identifies geriatric concerns and develops a plan of care to meet needs uncovered. She coordinates this care with the treating physicians. In addition she supports the education and preparation of oncology nurses to care for the older adult.

Ms. Chien earned her Master of Science in Nursing degree with an emphasis in Gerontology at the University of California Los Angeles (UCLA). She has experience as a Clinical Nurse Specialist for Critical Care at the VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System. Prior to her position as a CNS, Ms. Chien worked in the Intensive Care Unit at the VA. As a CNS, Ms. Chien created and implemented educational plans to facilitate staff education and evaluate current treatment plans. In addition, she evaluated and wrote evidence-based policies and procedures to enhance nursing practice. She has experience working with an interdisciplinary team forming working relationships as a consultant and resource nurse throughout nursing service.

Professor Chien is a member of the adjunct faculty at Mount Saint Mary's University (MSMU) in Los Angeles. She provides instruction in courses covering specific topics related to the assessment and care of older adults across the health continuum from wellness to acute care. Ms. Chien maintains high standards and promotes excellence in education.

Ms. Chien is certified as a Clinical Nurse Specialist and Nurse Practitioner by the California Board of Registered Nursing.