Award ID: 10-58

Project Title: Female Cancer Screening Education for Nurses in Rural or Medically Underserved Areas of Texas

Award Mechanism: Legacy Grant

Principal Investigator: Gregory, Faye

Entity: The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center

Lay Summary:

This project provides an educational outreach program for female cancer screening for nurses working in rural, minority, or low-income areas. This 2-day training (a combination of classroom and clinical instruction) enables nurses to incorporate female cancer prevention education and breast screening into their clinical practice. As front-line health-care providers, registered nurses are ideally positioned to provide these services and are capable of performing clinical breast examinations when properly trained. Over the past years the project has identified unmet learning needs in other cancer screening areas such as that for colorectal, lung, skin, endometrial, and ovarian cancers; therefore, the project has incorporated information about these topics into their workshop. The project will also provide a program for Advanced Practice Nurses, consisting of one half-day of didactic material, followed by one half-day program of case studies.