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Program Speaker – Holly McMillan

Title

When MIO goes MIA-The Joint Search Party

Abstract

Multidisciplinary team models have existed in oncologic care for decades, but how do we elevate our care and shift to interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary care models? At MD Anderson Cancer Center, the sections of Oral Oncology and Speech Pathology formally combined forces in 2020 to form a dedicated, multidisciplinary Trismus Clinic (TC). This dedicated service model has created new evaluation/treatment algorithms and referral patterns to better accommodate heterogeneous etiologies of trismus. Speakers will highlight (1) the administrative and expertise evolution over the last 5 years, highlighting the pearls and pitfalls of growing into an inter- and transdisciplinary service line, (2) research outcomes, and (3) further expansion of this service line as it embraces advanced prosthetic rehabilitation for speech and swallowing outcomes for patients with head and neck cancer.

Biography

Holly McMillan M.C.D. CCC-SLP, LMP, CLT is a Senior Speech Language Pathologist and Co-Director of Trismus Clinic at the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center. She is a doctoral student at the University of Texas School of Public Health, a licensed massage therapist, and certified lymphedema therapist with expertise in oncology and head and neck cancer rehabilitation.

Ms. McMillan leads the manual therapy service lines within the head and neck surgery department and specializes in fibrosis and lymphedema management. She recently served as lead clinician on an NIH funded clinical trial examining manual therapy for late effect dysphagia and is a collaborator on several active NIH funded clinical trials in head and neck cancer survivorship.