

## Summer Healthcare Experience (SHE) in Oncology Summer Program

The Summer Health Care Experience (SHE) Program at Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center is sponsored by the American Cancer Society (ACS) and seeks to increase the participation of women in biomedical fields, especially cancer research and medicine. Additionally, SHE seeks to promote underrepresented groups in science, including young women who are a racial or ethnic minority, low income, first-generation college-bound, and/or living with a disability.

### Program Information

The SHE program provides a 2-week virtual experience for young women who are rising sophomores, juniors, and seniors in high school. The program includes a series of virtual workshops, panels, and hands-on research activities, including science research kits that will be sent directly to the participants' homes. Program participants work with other students from collaborating institutions including the Huntsman Cancer Institute, Massey Cancer Center, Case Comprehensive Cancer Center, and The James (The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center)

- **Week 1: Hands-on Cancer Research:** Live online laboratory instruction with an at-home experiment kit
- **Week 2: Career Exploration in Cancer Research & Medicine:** Virtual professional development workshop sessions

### Dates & Times

- The program runs from July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025, to July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025.
- Monday-Friday, 9:30 am – 1:30 pm CDT.

### Benefits of the program include:

- A stipend of \$500 to each participating student.
- The opportunity to connect and work collaboratively with other high school students from across the country.
- Two weeks of enriching online programming including presentations, panel discussions, and guided, hands-on learning with research and medical professionals.
- Mentorship from prominent women in the fields of oncology and academic medicine.

### Eligibility Criteria

- Must be a rising high school sophomore, junior, or senior who identifies as female.
- Must commit to 4 hours of virtual meetings Monday through Friday for two weeks in the summer (dates and times specified above).
- Students who are interested in scientific investigation and eager to learn will benefit most from the program.

### Expectations

- Students will actively engage in all program activities.
- Students will commit to attending all 40 hours of program sessions.
- Students will be asked to complete a survey evaluation at the conclusion of the program.

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