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I am the clinic manager/ nursing supervisor for a pediatric hematology/oncology clinic outpatient. We offer a full service treatment center for the oncology patients. RN staff do hands on pt care including administering chemotherapy. Over the past 10years we have made every effort to give those nursing staff that request alternative duty d/t trying to conceive, being pregnant or breastfeeding. Telephone triage is usually the area of alternative work assignment. Additional assignments are rooming working with off therapy f/u patients and or if they take a pt care assignment that requires administration of chemotherapy a nursing colleague will hang or give the chemo when necessary.

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