Dallas is an oncology nurse by trade and by heart. She graduated from California State University Channel Islands with her BSN in 2014 and has worked at UCLA Medical Center in Santa Monica, CA since then. During this time, she has spearheaded quality improvement projects that have been presented across the country, she has published an article on chemotherapy desensitization, and has lead groups of nurses overseas to volunteer in providing basic medical screenings to the Tibetan Buddhist refugee population in India.

Her nursing niche is oncology and palliative care, where she fiercely advocates for patients along the entire trajectory of cancer care, from diagnosis, to survivorship or hospice. Her passions include symptom management, increasing access to care, and improving the death literacy of communities through end-of-life education.

Dallas is at the forefront of her career, recently graduating with her Doctor of Nursing Practice from Loyola University New Orleans (2021). For her DNP project she implemented a novel referral program to increase access to cancer support services for oncology patients in Southern California. She has received the Nurse Scientist of the Year (UCLA, 2018) and the Nightingale Award (Loyola University New Orleans) for her commitment to the profession of nursing. She hopes to work in either palliative care or oncology as she embraces her new role as a nurse practitioner. She lives in her hometown of Ventura, CA where she is surrounded by family.

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