



# LEADERSHIP COUNCIL PROFILE

Representatives serving on the Leadership Council advise, assist, support and advocate on issues of strategic importance to the operations and functions of the SelfMade Health Network in fulfillment of its mission.



## Amy Rettig, MSN, RN

Adult Clinical Nurse Specialist and Adult Mental Health Nurse Practitioner  
Academy of Oncology Nurse & Patient Navigators+ (AONN+)

As part of AONN+, Amy Rettig networks with oncology nurse navigators, patient navigators, community health workers and survivorship care providers to improve the overall health of the oncology patient community.

Ms. Rettig has spent years working to strengthen partnerships between community service organizations, healthcare providers and primary care physicians with oncology specialists including oncology nurses, oncology social workers, patient and outreach navigators. She helps clinical teams utilize evidence-based knowledge and research, resources, and education resources to meet local disparities and needs of cancer patients and their families.



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In her career, Ms. Rettig has seen many disparate populations use local hospital emergency rooms as the primary source of regular and ongoing care for their cancer treatment, primarily due to low socioeconomic factors and other financial constraints. To improve outcomes for patients and strengthen facility processes, she champions communication to address the gaps in cancer care guidelines in the emergency department.

**“ In my opinion, serving those that are underserved is a privilege and moral duty. We are all connected in ways that many can understand. If any part of that connection is vulnerable or in need, then we all feel it throughout. No matter the lens I look through – business, health, duty – everyone benefits from uplifting the vulnerable, underserved or low-resourced populations. ”**

Ms. Rettig joined the Leadership Council in August 2015. Ms. Rettig is certified as an Adult Health Clinical Nurse Specialist, Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner, and a Certified Breast Cancer Nurse.

*The SelfMade Health Network is a member of the Center for Disease Control (CDC)'s consortium of national networks established to advance prevention efforts related to tobacco-related and cancer health disparities among vulnerable populations, specifically those with low socio-economic characteristics.*