## **HOW TO MAKE A "NO SEW" FLEECE BLANKET**

**STEP 1:** Use *TWO* 2-yard pieces (4 yards total) of **BLIZZARD** or **ANTI-PILL** fleece (found at JoAnn Fabric). No juvenile/kids print.

**STEP 2:** Please create the blanket in a, animal hair-free environment – **this is very important!** WHY? Cancer patients can have little to no immune system and can be extra sensitive to perfumes, oils, animal dander and hair, etc.

STEP 3: Cut off the selvage.



**Selvage** is the edge that has writing and fabric info, and it is curled and/or has a distinct, unattractive edge.

The selvage edge curls in toward the "right side."

**STEP 4:** With **right sides OUT** - Lay the fabric out flat, line up the edges and smooth out the two fabrics.

- · Anti-Pill fabric solids are FUZZY on the right side and smooth on the wrong side.
- · Anti-Pill prints are more distinct on the right side.
- · Blizzard fabric is FUZZY on both sides

**STEP 5:** After cutting off the selvage, trim the two pieces so that they are the same size.

STEP 6: Cut a 4-inch square from each of the four corners.

**STEP 7:** Cut the fringe.

- 1. Cut through both layers of fabric at the same time.
- 2. Fringe pieces should be the width of a ruler.
- 3. Begin cutting 4 inches from the edge.

**Step 6 & 7 Recommendation:** Lay a yardstick across the fabric or use painter's tape to mark 4 inches from the edge so that you know how far in to make your cut.

STEP 8: Tie the knots. Below are two options:



Balloon Knot: Tie them just like you would if tying off a balloon! This knot allows the blanket to lie flat.



"Shoe Lace"
Double Knot:
You can also tie a knot like you would make with a shoe lace.
These Knots must be tied 2x per fringe!!

All knots should be **snug** next to the edge of the blanket but **not so tight** that the blanket is pulled into the knot.

**STEP 9:** Give a gentle tug on each knot, away from the blanket, to make it taut. With each tug, pray for the cancer patient who will receive this blanket.

**STEP 10:** Trim the fringe edges for an even and clean look.

**STEP 11:** Write a (legible) note, words of encouragement, a scripture and/or blessing to the cancer patient who will receive this blanket.

**RETURN** the completed blanket with your personal note to the Mission Wall by the **last** Sunday in October!



