Row of Hearts Summer Chemo Hat

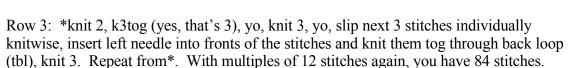
1 ball cotton yarn or cotton/acrylic blend 16" size 8-9 circular needles for body of hat and size 6-7 for rolled brim.

Using smaller needle, cast on 84 st. Join row being careful not to twist stitches. Knit 8-12 rows; change to larger needles. Continue until about 2 ½ in from the bottom. Place markers every 12 stitches. Begin pattern of 13 rows:

Pattern:

Row 1: *knit 5, yo, knit 1, yo, knit 6; repeat from*. 98 stitches; 14 between markers.

Row 2 and all even rows: knit.



Row 5: *knit 1, k2tog, yo, knit 5, yo, ssk, knit 2; repeat from*.

Row 7: *k2tog, yo, knit 7, yo, ssk, knit 1; repeat fom*.

Row 9: Slip the first stitch in the first group of 12 without twisting it (this will become the last stitch of the last repeat),

*yo, knit 9, yo, slip 2tog knitwise, remove marker, knit 1, pass the 2 slipped stitches over the knit stitch, replace marker after the psso;

repeat from *. You have just repositioned all markers; when the row is complete there are still 12 stitches between each.

Row 11: *yo, k2tog, knit 3, yo, knit 1, yo, knit 3, ssk, yo, knit 1; repeat from *. After this row you have 98 stitches temporarily; multiples of 14.

Row 13: *knit 1, yo, knit 4tog (yes, that's right, 4!), yo, knit 3, yo, slip next 4 stitches individually knitwise, insert left needle into front of stitches and knit them tog tbl, yo, knit 2; repeat from*. You have 84 stitches again with multiples of 12 stitches.

Continue knitting every row until you have knit 1 ½ - 2 inches above the last pattern row.

Decrease in every row: knit 10 stitches knit 2 tog—these 2 should be the last 2 before a marker; continue around. In the subsequent rows: knit to within 2 stitches of the marker, knit 2 tog and continue until 7 stitches remain. Cut yarn and pull it through the remaining stitches. Secure and weave in tails.

