

## POSITION SUMMARY

# Oncology Nursing Society Position on Quality Cancer Care

Quality cancer care demands safety and efficacy, timeliness, a patient-centered approach, coordination by a multidisciplinary team, and the integration of evidence-based practice to improve care continuously. Oncology nurses play a key role in cancer care through their decision making and administrative duties linked to the planning and implementation of cancer care services.

It is the position of the Oncology Nursing Society that quality cancer care is the right of all people.

This includes

- Timely access to healthcare coverage
- Professional nurses who are competent in the essentials of oncology nursing care
- Education about cancer risks and the benefits of lifestyle changes
- A full spectrum of treatment options provided in the most appropriate setting
- Information and counseling for patients and families.

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