2015 Annual Report

Thank You

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ONS celebrated our 40th anniversary. It was recognized at Congress, in journal articles, in Weekly Update email trivia questions for which winners received a free one-year ONS membership, and on social media and a dedicated page of ons.org. At Congress, the Board wore outfits from the 1970s in tribute of the decade in which ONS was launched, and our attendees more than surpassed the fund-raising challenge to acknowledge the anniversary. We appreciate our members’ commitment to support our ONS Foundation as it continues to fund nurses conducting research or furthering their education.

Collaboration begins internally with ONS’s partnership between the volunteer and staff leaders. In setting the strategic directions for 2016–2018, the Board aligned them with the ONS values: innovation in knowledge and learning, excellence in oncology nursing and patient care, and advocacy for patients and the profession. Staff work groups are developing and implementing actions and products that support the strategic directions.

ONS also collaborated with other oncology professional societies and cancer advocacy organizations in promoting policy issues at the national level. When the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention released a draft of Guidelines for Prescribing Opioids for Chronic Pain, a subject that impacts oncology nurses and their patients across the country, ONS, in collaboration with the Patient Quality of Life Coalition, submitted a letter voicing concerns over the possible barriers the guidelines create for the management of pain symptoms in patients with cancer. Revisions to the American Society of Clinical Oncology/ONS Chemotherapy Administration Safety Standards expanded to include the American Society of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology and the Association of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nurses incorporating safety issues faced in pediatric oncology. We had the honor of representing ONS as a well-respected and valued participant at many nursing, cancer coalition, and affiliate meetings.

An organizational assessment engaged the Board, members, and staff, recommending changes to improve ONS’s governance and operations. Members approved four bylaw amendments (two related to governance and two related to constituencies) by 90% or more, resulting in change for the Board, Nominating Committee, and special interest groups (SIGs). The Board approved a complimentary student membership for prelicensure students, and many chapters are supporting these new members.

Change also has been underway at the ONS national office. The Board voted to close ONS:Edge once staff completed existing contracts. The redesign of Congress involved many staff across the organization, headed by the newly created director of national conferences position. Cross-functional staff teams are becoming the standard for advancing priorities set by the Board. Many are designing the implementation of the new association management system, the electronic heart of an association, and the redesign of the website.

Communication was a key factor in accomplishing all of the successes in 2015. New methods of communication included a Twitter chat with SIGs and webinars with chapter leaders and the members at large. ONS social media continued to gain followers, and Board members increased their proficiency with Twitter. With the announcement of the National Cancer Moonshot Initiative, ONS members represented a nursing perspective on the cancer care ecosystem at four of Vice President Biden’s roundtables. ONS member and past president, Deborah K. Mayer, PhD, RN, AOCN®, FAAN, has been appointed to the Blue Ribbon Panel that will help inform the scientific direction of the National Cancer Moonshot Initiative.

We hope you will read the 2015 report to learn more about the past year’s achievements for ONS, the ONS Foundation, and the Oncology Nursing Certification Corporation.
EDUCATION SPOTLIGHT:
Mary Visceglia

ONS offers invaluable educational resources to oncology nurses, preparing them for any contingency or unexpected event as they care for patients with cancer. The ONS/Oncology Nursing Certification Corporation Chemotherapy Biotherapy Certificate Course is one of the most popular, most recognized courses offered in chemotherapy administration.

“The usual comment I get from nurses is that they found the course very comprehensive and were well prepared to move forward to administer chemotherapy,” said ONS member and Chemotherapy Biotherapy Certificate Course facilitator Mary Visceglia, RN. By offering a comprehensive program that provides nurses with the valuable skills they need, ONS is actively preparing nurses to meet the needs and standards of cancer centers around the country. “The detail you get in this course is unlike any other resource,” Visceglia said. “I think the content on biotherapy is what impressed me when I took the class for the first time. I personally like the posts, not just because I am a facilitator, but because it really engages the students to want to share amongst peers.”

The Chemotherapy Biotherapy Certificate Course has been setting the standard for oncology administration training for years. “This course is recognized by very well-established facilities and cancer centers as THE chemotherapy class you need to take. It’s recognized for its high quality and integrity. I remember as a travel nurse when asked if I was credentialed to administer chemo, what they meant was if you had earned your ONS chemo provider card—nothing else was accepted,” Visceglia said.
ONS/ONCC Chemotherapy Biotherapy Certificate Course

The ONS/ONCC Chemotherapy Biotherapy Certificate Course completed its second year, with more than 32,000 completing the course.

After thoughtful analysis of gaps in preparing nurses to administer chemotherapy and biotherapy prior to gaining enough knowledge and experience to participate in the certificate course, ONS created a fundamentals course. This course was finalized in 2015 and sets the stage for a complete pathway for comprehensive education to safely administer and care for those receiving chemotherapy and biotherapy.

We redesigned several courses to increase learner engagement through the use of multimedia formats and access to content experts. Additionally, most courses were moved from scheduled start and end dates to being available on demand, providing six months’ access for completion and access to resources.

Fall Pharmacology Regional Conference

Pharmacology Updates in Oncology Practice

Conference Goal
To provide participants with vital information regarding immunology, safe handling of hazardous drugs and medical surveillance, and recently FDA-approved pharmacologic agents and recently expanded indications for pharmacologic agents in cancer care.

September 26
Memphis, TN

100
More than
participants

95%
of attendees indicated that they will change practice as a result of information learned.

The content on biotherapy is what impressed me.”

ONS member and Chemotherapy Biotherapy Certificate Course facilitator Mary Visceglia, RN
MEMBER SPOTLIGHT:
Kimberly Munn

In the healthcare field, hundreds of member-driven organizations attempt to provide valuable resources to their members. Yet, none of them provide the community and resources of ONS. “Oncology nursing is a very difficult specialty and it really ‘takes a village.’ ONS, both locally and nationally, is my village,” ONS member Kimberly Munn, RN, BSN, OCN®, breast cancer research nurse at the Cleveland Clinic: Taussig Institute, said. “When I’m close to burnout or need someone who understands, or when I want to share the strong passion I have about oncology, this group gets it.”

Oncology nurses feel a sense of a togetherness at their local chapter level. According to Munn, she and her colleagues share and enjoy a number of benefits through their Cleveland chapter. “There’s guidance, support, and community outreach. Our local membership provides personal and professional opportunities for mentorship, education, publications, and more,” Munn said.

At the national level, ONS is working hard to keep its oncology nurse members at the forefront of the cancer care conversation. “As a nurse, I love to see how nursing can impact the patient experience and ONS does that,” Munn said. “I want to be a part of an organization changing the future of oncology care—especially nursing care.”

Munn is currently the president of the ONS Cleveland Chapter. She was president-elect in 2014 and secretary from 2012–2013. Munn has been an ONS member since 2007. “I find it invaluable for my professional and person success,” Munn said. “I would never consider another organization for nursing.”
Membership

What Members Value Most

1. Clinical/evidence-based practice information
2. Discounted/free CNE programs
3. Peer-reviewed journals (Clinical Journal of Oncology Nursing and Oncology Nursing Forum)
4. Local chapter membership
5. Member discounts on ONS and ONCC products and services
6. Professional networking opportunities
7. ONS Connect
8. Leadership and volunteer opportunities (at either the local or national level)
9. Special interest group membership
10. Online ONS member directory

ONS Members in 2015

39,180
Actual number of members as of 12/31/2015

ONS Members in 2015

49,532 members*
Defined as those individuals who were a member at any point during the year.

67,316 Non-Member Customers*
Defined as all other individuals who participated in and/or benefited from products and services provided by ONS and its affiliates at any point during the year.

116,848 community served

*Defined as all other individuals who participated in and/or benefited from products and services provided by ONS and its affiliates at any point during the year.

Community Served by ONS and Affiliates
The number of both members and non-members who use our products and services is a testament to the Society and its affiliates being viewed as the “go-to” resources for knowledge, education, professional recognition, and much more.

9,528 total new members recruited in 2015.

HIGHEST IN 5 years with a 79% retention rate

Member Categories
Regular
Student
Early-Career Professional
Retired
Physically Challenged
Honorary
Associate
Sustaining
International Tiered
When the general public, including our political leaders, thinks of nurses, they often conjure images of workers in scrubs, attending to patients in a clinical environment. Although clinical nurses are a huge component of health care, including oncology, this leaves out the many nurses who have chosen to pursue patient-centered research.

Clinical practice nurses and nurse researchers are the perfect tandem to increase the quality of patient care and scientific discovery—which has been much of the focus of the National Cancer Moonshot Initiative. “Nurse researchers work to discover new knowledge to improve human understanding, motivation, and behaviors to reduce the risk of cancer and increase adherence with medical recommendations for screening, vaccinations, proper use of medications, and compliance with medical follow-up after treatment,” said nurse researcher and ONS member Deborah Watkins Bruner, RN, PhD, FAAN. ONS works to support this valuable information and incorporate it into patient-centered, evidence-based care that clinical nurses provide throughout the country. “This partnership is essential for moving scientific discoveries into quality patient care.”

“The partnership [between nurse researchers and clinical practice nurses] is essential for moving scientific discoveries into quality patient care.”

“Nurse scientists incorporate their findings into clinical practice,” Bruner said. “They teach the next generation of nurses about evidence-based practice, research, and leadership in improving health policy and care guidelines.” Through ONS’s nurse scientists, implementing proven research into practice will lead to great change in the face of cancer care. As government officials, healthcare professionals, and oncology nurses and specialists work together, the key to obtaining a quantum leap in cancer care is through collaboration and research. ONS works to support nurse scientists as they pursue deeply important avenues of study.
Research

Putting Evidence Into Practice

20 topics
562 distinct interventions

More THAN 3,200 evidence summaries

PEP contributors are from across the United States and around the world: South Korea, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Spain, China, and Pakistan.

ONS members involved

Chemotherapy-induced nausea and vomiting evidence for pediatric cases was added in response to member requests.

Oral Adherence
Work was published as a Clinical Journal of Oncology Nursing supplement, presented at ONS Congress, and presented at the 2015 Multinational Association of Supportive Care in Cancer annual conference in Brussels.

Quality Initiatives

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality grant to evaluate dissemination of evidence via targeted email messages concluded in 2015. An abstract of selected findings from the study has been accepted for a poster presentation at ONS Congress in 2016.

2015

The ONS Qualified Clinical Data Registry was approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services as part of the Physician Quality Reporting System and Meaningful Use Public Health programs for 2015.

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American Board of Internal Medicine Foundation’s “Choosing Wisely” Program
• Five ONS items were accepted for inclusion in this national program to facilitate evidence-based practice.
• They are also included in the American Academy of Nursing “Ten things nurses and patients should question” website and the American Board of Internal Medicine Foundation Choosing Wisely website.
• Relevant patient-focused materials are currently in development by Consumer Reports.

ONS, working with technology experts at CECity, is converting the quality measures to electronic clinical quality measures.

Get Up, Get Moving

A new landing page is home to the ONS Get Up, Get Moving (GUGM) patient teaching video, staff development resources, and links to the PEP evidence supporting physical activity as interventions.

A tool kit contains assessment tools and physical activity recommendations.

The GUGM patient teaching video was launched after previews at Congress and Leadership Weekend. Visit www.ons.org/practice-resources/get-up-get-moving.
PUBLICATIONS SPOTLIGHT:
Anne Katz

When authors consider publishing their book, an endeavor they’ve spent countless hours writing and revising, they’re faced with a serious choice. For oncology nurse authors, ONS makes that decision a little easier.

According to ONS member, editor for the *Oncology Nursing Forum*, and award-winning author Anne Katz, RN, PhD, FAAN, “The experience I have had with ONS as a publishing company is so much better than with any other publishing company.”

Katz recognizes the hard work and commitment from the ONS publications team. “From the initial contact with John Zaphyr, the acquisitions editor, through the editing and production process spearheaded by Lisa George, to PR and marketing, my experience with ONS has been wonderful.”

Katz’s most recent publication, *Meeting the Need for Psychosocial Care in Young Adults With Cancer*, is just one of several books she’s published with ONS. “My next book, due to be completed in early summer, focuses on the issue of overweight/obesity and cancer. And of course, ONS is my publisher of choice!”

Authoring a book can be a long, arduous process. The ONS publications team works with authors to create a vital workflow that keeps everyone on track. “Writing a book is a HUGE commitment of time and energy. Being ‘kept in the loop’ after submitting the final manuscript is an important part of the process and this is another area where ONS shines,” Katz says. “Another aspect that I really appreciate is that ONS also submits books for a variety of awards—having won a number of awards for the books I have published with ONS, this is a real value-added benefit that I appreciate.”

ONS works to publish books and resources for oncology nurses by oncology nurses. It’s an important part of the learning environment to connect with an audience and for the audience to connect with the author. ONS is proud to represent and disseminate the great works by all of our oncology nurse authors.
CJON won an EXCEL Award from Association Media and Publishing.

CJON won an APEX Award for Publication Excellence in the Magazines, Journals, and Tabloids, print 32+ pages, category.


The journals unveiled a website redesign, providing increased functionality and responsiveness.

CJON released a well-received supplement on oral adherence.

Lisa Kennedy Sheldon, PhD, ANP-BC, AOCNP®, assumed the editorship role of the Clinical Journal of Oncology Nursing (CJON).

Second place

A Guide to Oncology Symptom Management (Second Ed.), edited by Carlton G. Brown, was awarded second place in the 2015 American Journal of Nursing Book of the Year Awards in the Medical-Surgical Nursing Category.
Congress Celebrates 40 Years of ONS

2015 Congress saw several changes that set the stage for the Congress of the future.

Congress 2015 was a milestone year for ONS, as we celebrated our 40th anniversary. It was also the first step toward introducing a new conference experience for oncology nurses.

3,000+ attendees

Better integration of special interest group and podium sessions into the conference schedule

Dedicated research track

52 electronic posters for the inaugural year

2,816 nurses earned contact hours of continuing nursing education.

Live streaming of sessions

Orlando

Setting the Stage for a New Congress

- Dedicated research track
- New exhibit sales and management company
- Increased integration of SIG and podium sessions
- Electronic posters
- Live streaming that offered CNE

In 2015, ONS celebrated four decades of leading the transformation of cancer care.


#ONSCongress

Impressions 6,971,543
Tweets 3,701
Participants 390

2,379 Users

(66.3% of Congress Attendees)

2,084 Personalized schedules created
Management’s Discussion and Analysis

ONS generated a 2015 net operating profit of $3,139,000. The profit provide a base from which we can meet members’ needs for the years ahead. We continued to look for additional revenue streams to supplement total member dues, which have not increased significantly for several years. At the same time, we are updating and improving current offerings to provide our members with the latest and best information so they can provide better patient care.

In 2015, ONS’s overall operating costs ($24,382,000) and the costs to provide member services ($22,100,000) increased over the 2014 spending. Total operating costs increased almost $1,700,000. Our cost of providing member programs increased almost $2,900,000. The percentage of expenses spent on member programs equaled 91%.

We are updating and improving current offerings to provide our members with the latest and best information that enables them to deliver better patient care.
Management’s Discussion and Analysis
ONCC generated $4,549,000 in operating revenue and incurred $3,064,000 in operating expenses to achieve a $1,485,000 in net operating profit in 2015. This is a small decrease from the 2014 net operating profit of $1,619,000. Registration and renewal revenue decreased. Operating expenses increased $121,000 from 2014, mostly related to higher personnel costs. Program expenses equaled 86% of total operating expenses, while administration and fundraising expenses equaled 14%.

Engaging Employers
ONCC pilot tested an employer program, Certification Rewards, with 19 institutions. This program provides employers with discounts on certification fees based on their support and recognition of certified nurses. Two hundred nurses applied for certification through the program, providing employers savings of up to 40% on certification fees.

Certified Nurses Are Everywhere.
This collaboration among 8 nurse credentialing bodies reached 8 millions of consumers with the message that certified nurses have knowledge and expertise needed to provide specialized patient care.

Certifying Nurses Faster
Eliminated test application deadlines, providing nurses with nearly on-demand, year-round testing options. This helps nurses become certified more quickly after meeting the eligibility criteria. And that means certified nurses can be at the patient’s side more quickly.

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ONS:Edge Leadership

2015 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Jasmine Martin, DNP, MSN, APRN, president
Georgia Decker, APRN, ANP-BC, AOCN®, FAAN, treasurer
Gena Cook, secretary
Rita M. Bergers, RN, BSN, director
Mary Alison Haskin, MLS, director
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EX OFFICIO
Margaret Barton-Burke, PhD, RN, FAAN, ONS president
Brenda Nevidjon, RN, MSN, FAAN, ONS chief executive officer
Steve Shangold, ONS:Edge executive director

Management’s Discussion and Analysis

The organization generated an operating profit of $540,000, an increase of $139,000 from 2014. Program revenues decreased slightly to $2,743,000 in 2015. The organization lowered its operating expenses by $444,000 to a yearly total of $2,203,000. During the latter half of the year, the organization worked to discontinue operations.

OPERATING REVENUE 2015
Sales ........................................................................ $2,742,906
Total ........................................................................ $2,742,906

OPERATING EXPENSES 2015
Payroll, taxes, and fringes ........................................... $987,526
General administrative ............................................. $94,837
Printing ....................................................................... $24,928
Postage, freight, and mail house ................................. $10,807
Administrative access fees ....................................... $348,940
Exhibit, advertising, and marketing ......................... $67,672
Legal and accounting ............................................... $10,145
Meetings ................................................................... $282,539
Rent and utilities ...................................................... $102,538
Staff services ........................................................... $57,661
Service and honoraria .............................................. $183,759
Other ....................................................................... $183,759
Total ....................................................................... $2,202,973

OPERATING PROFIT
Operating Profit ......................................................... $539,932
In 2015 the operating revenue equaled $732,000, an $18,000 increase from 2014. 2015 operating expenses of $1,391,000 created a $659,000 operating loss for the year. A portion of this operating loss is related to the Pennsylvania law requiring the ONS Foundation to annually spend a percentage of its endowment fund, regardless of the organization’s profitability.

In 2015, the ONS Foundation spent 78% of its operating expenses on nursing programs, 3% on administration, and 19% on fund-raising. The dollar amount and the percentage of expenses spent on nursing programs increased in 2015. The $1,083,000 spent on programming includes funding for programs from the endowment fund. Direct endowment spending increased to $360,000 in 2015. Other program spending includes academic scholarships, awards, research grants, and travel scholarships, from other restricted and unrestricted funding. All program spending is directly for oncology nurses and their educational needs.

### Management’s Discussion and Analysis

**Operating Revenue 2015**

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**Operating Expenses by Category**

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Scholarship Recipients

“Receiving a Congress scholarship through the ONS Foundation has provided me with the opportunity to network with wonderful oncology nurses across the world and learn about the most up-to-date treatments to help care for our oncology patients.”

Kristina Mathey, CNP
Columbus, OH

“The ONS Foundation would like to sincerely thank those who have so thoughtfully elected to include the ONS Foundation as part of their will or estate plan. Your vision and commitment to the profession of oncology nursing is so very much appreciated and is a wonderful example of a caring legacy.

Debra Lundquist, MSN, RN
Boxborough, MA

Impact of the ONS Foundation

Receiving an ONS Foundation Research Doctoral Scholarship through the ONS Foundation provides important funding for my research. I am thrilled and humbled to receive this award. This scholarship further enables my commitment to advance nursing science and knowledge development in regards to the experience of those living with advanced cancer. This population has been described as feeling forgotten and alone, with persistent unrecognized and unmet needs. My research will help to better understand the experience of this population.”

Debra Lundquist, MSN, RN
Boxborough, MA

“Receiving a Masters Scholarship through the ONS Foundation is a great honor and has such deep meaning to me on both a personal and professional level. Having lost a number of loved ones to cancer, I gained an early appreciation for compassionate, expert nurses in this field. My experience as a certified pediatric oncology nurse has now cultivated my passion for caring for children with cancer and undergoing bone marrow transplants. The ONS Foundation Masters Scholarship will help further my career by enabling me to complete my MSN to become an acute and primary care pediatric nurse practitioner, so that I can contribute to the ongoing advancement in oncology nursing through my own research and evolving clinical practice.”

Brienne (Johnson) Leary, RN, BSN, CCRN, CPON®
®Boston, MA

“The nurses who provide care and support to patients with cancer give fully of their vocation and compassion. And only one place in the world makes it possible to give directly to the nurses who specialize in cancer care—the Oncology Nursing Society Foundation.

Gifts to the Foundation provide nurses with access to education, research, and professional development; improve patient care; and advance the oncology nursing profession.

All gifts ensure that the next generation of oncology nurses will be there for all of us, in our greatest time of need.”

Oncology Nursing Society

40 States of nurses who received an ONS Foundation award.

3 Nurses from Canada, India, and Nigeria received funding in 2015.
Thank You

ONS Foundation
List of Donors

2015 DONOR CIRCLE MEMBERS
The ONS Foundation Donor Circle is a committed group of individual ONS Foundation donors who help to support oncology nursing by making a cumulative annual gift(s) totaling $100 or more to the ONS Foundation.

VISIONARY
($10,000 and above)
Laura Benson
Ronald Schlesinger

LEADER
($5,000–$7,499)
Ray and Margaret Lenhard
Scarlett Mueller

SUSTAINER
($2,500–$4,999)
Margaret Barton-Burke
Albert and Linda Brandli
Catherine Burke
Georgina Decker
Linda Jones
Brenda Nevidjon
Susan Newton
Billy Purl
Joanne Ryan
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