The mission of the Oncology Nursing Society is to promote excellence in oncology nursing and quality cancer care.

The Oncology Nursing Society (ONS) is a professional association of more than 35,000 members committed to promoting excellence in oncology nursing and the transformation of cancer care. Since 1975, ONS has provided a professional community for oncology nurses, developed evidence-based education programs and treatment information, and advocated for patient care, all in an effort to improve quality of life and outcomes for patients with cancer and their families. Together, ONS and the cancer community seek to reduce the risks, incidence, and burden of cancer by encouraging healthy lifestyles, promoting early detection, and improving the management of cancer symptoms and side effects throughout the disease trajectory.

More than 225 local chapters provide a network for education and peer support at the community level. In addition, 27 special interest groups (SIGs) facilitate national networking of members in subspecialty areas. ONS actively supports health policy initiatives that support the nursing workforce, access to care, and improving symptom management and pain control.

ONS EDUCATION
Cancer care changes each and every day. Oncology nurses need to know about everything from new treatments and technologies to changes in managed care and evolving reimbursement policies. ONS is committed to providing the most comprehensive education to help nurses stay at the top of their profession and provide the highest quality care possible for patients with cancer. The Society is dedicated to offering educational programs that focus on the topics that affect oncology nurses and their patients. ONS was awarded accreditation with distinction as a provider of continuing nursing education, the highest recognition awarded by the American Nurses Credentialing Center’s Accreditation Program.

Programs are provided in a variety of formats, including national conferences and regional workshops. Online courses offer streamlined navigation and interactivity and enable nurses to be truly involved in the topics they're interested in.

ONS PUBLICATIONS
Through its publications, ONS offers resources designed to assist the professional nurse and other members of the healthcare team to develop a foundation of knowledge about cancer care.

Publications include
- Oncology Nursing Forum
- Clinical Journal of Oncology Nursing
- ONS Connect
- Standards of oncology nursing practice, education, and advanced practice
- Oncology nursing clinical practice manuals and guidelines
- A full range of clinical books, monographs, and manuals on cancer and cancer care
- Books for patients, caregivers, and nurses, published through the ONS imprint Hygeia Media.

ONS WEBSITES
ONS’s award-winning Website offers the latest ONS news, online education opportunities, clinical practice and research information, career center, and legislative action information. Member-only access offers searchable, full-text articles from the Oncology Nursing Forum and the Clinical Journal of Oncology Nursing.
INTERNATIONAL
ONS regularly conducts oncology nursing training programs in countries around the world and partners with other groups to support the integration of nursing education in clinical cancer care. ONS is represented by members in sixty countries.

ONS FOUNDATION
In 1981, the ONS Foundation was established to enhance the quality of cancer nursing and quality cancer care. Since then, the ONS Foundation has provided more than $23 million in funding. The grants include research, education, leadership, academic, lectureships, career development support, as well as cancer public education projects and scholarships to attend the ONS Congress. In support of the ONS mission, the ONS Foundation funds national initiatives to develop, evaluate, and disseminate knowledge in areas critical to the future of oncology nursing. To learn more, visit the ONS Foundation Web site at www.onsfoundation.org.

ONCOLOGY NURSING CERTIFICATION CORPORATION
In 1984, ONS founded the Oncology Nursing Certification Corporation (ONCC), to develop, administer, and evaluate programs for the certification of oncology nurses. ONCC offers six certification examinations: OCN® (Oncology Certified Nurse), CPHON® (Certified Pediatric Hematology Oncology nurse), CBCN® (certified breast care nurse), AOCNP® (advanced oncology certified nurse practitioner), AOCNS® (advanced oncology certified clinical nurse specialist), and BMTCN™ (blood and marrow transplant certified nurse).

Visit the ONCC website at www.oncc.org or call 877-769-ONCC for more information about oncology nursing certification.

ONS:EDGE
ONS:Edge is a subsidiary of ONS and a specialized advisory firm providing marketing communications strategy and execution for the pharmaceutical industry. Its purpose is the transfer of cancer knowledge to oncology nurses to improve patient outcomes.

ONS:Edge has unparalleled access to key opinion leaders and the more than 35,000 members of ONS, whose commitment to evidence-based practice and dedication to excellence in patient care put them at the forefront of oncology care. For information, visit www.onsedge.com.

ONS MEMBERSHIPS INCLUDE:
- Alliance for Nursing Informatics
- American Academy of Nurse Practitioners
- American Nurses Association
- C-Change
- Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society
- International Society of Nurses in Cancer Care
- The National Cancer Policy Forum
- National Coalition for Health Professionals Education in Genetics
- National Quality Forum
- Nursing Organizations Alliance

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