



EONS Board Member: Early Career

The Role in Summary

The EONS Board has five of its members co-chairing EONS Working Groups (Communication, Advocacy, Research, Education, Early Career Nurses). The Early Career Co-Chair role is a Member of the EONS Board and, in addition to the Board Member responsibilities; the post holder will help EONS to support Early Career Nurses through EONS, its member Societies and Europe. The role of co-chair is appointed for a period of two years and can be renewed two times up to maximum of 6 years or up to maximum of 7 years in cancer nursing experience.

Board Members skills

The board member must possess all of the essential qualifications required of all EONS Board members and must also:

1. Have excellent written and verbal communication skills in English, ideally other European languages also,
2. Show evidence of people-oriented leadership within a member society or other appropriate organisation,
3. Show an in-depth understanding of European Cancer nursing,
4. Be able to identify, clearly articulate and share key messages, concepts and plans, with both expert members and non-expert stakeholders,
5. Exhibit a creative approach to solving communication problems, a good knowledge of information technologies, as well as appreciate the importance of delivering work to strict deadlines.

Responsibilities of the Role

In addition to the core EONS Board Member responsibilities, the board member is required to

- Chair the Early Career Working group and liaise closely with the co-chair of the WG
- Liaise closely with Early Career Ambassadors Network and its members

- Support and collaborate closely with EONS working Groups, Early Career Networks within EONS Societies and Early Career Individual Members
- Explore current needs of Early Career Cancer Nurses through Europe
- Support development of Early Career Network in other EONS Societies
- Report EONS members views or concerns back to the EONS Board in a responsive and timely fashion.
- Contribute to the activities of the ECN WG and YECCN Ambassadors Network by leading and supporting WG and Network initiatives and task groups
- Support members of the ECN WG and YECCN Ambassadors Network in their activities to develop a National ECN Network in his/her country.
- Be an ambassador for their country and EONS, raising the profile of Young and Early Career Cancer Nursing throughout Europe.
- Collaborate with the EONS Early Career Nurse Co-chair act as a point of contact between the EONS Board and EONS ECN WG and YECCN Ambassadors Network regarding the Young and Early Career Cancer Nursing agenda.
- Contribute to workshops and other educational events.
- Promote and advocate for the work of EONS locally, nationally, and internationally.
- Ensure to maintain the integrity of EONS policy and administrative decisions recognizing and declaring any conflict of interest that may result in abuse of this.
- Timely delivery of project work is expected.
- To be eligible, Early Career Cancer Nurses requires:
 1. Have up to 7 years in cancer nursing clinically or academically.
 2. Be from a WHO Europe Country,¹
 3. Belong to their National Oncology Nursing Society or be an individual member of EONS;
 4. Work with Cancer patients or in cancer care settings on a regular basis; (clinicaly or academicaly)
 5. Have more than three years of professional experience;
 6. Understand, speak and write fluent English.