



Dear Colleagues,

We are thrilled to announce that applications are now open for the EONS Communication Working Group! This dynamic team is dedicated to empowering and supporting cancer nursing at national, European, and international levels. We are looking for two (2) passionate and committed cancer nurses with strong communication expertise to join us in advancing cancer nursing practice, education, leadership, and research.

About the Working Group:

The Communication Working Group (CWG) of the European Oncology Nursing Society (EONS) is dedicated to fostering collaboration, mentorship, and professional growth among cancer nurses. Members will have the chance to participate in meaningful discussions, work together on innovative projects, and influence the future of cancer nursing. Joining this group connects you with a vibrant community of like-minded professionals committed to advancing the field and making a significant impact.

Aligned with the EONS mission and strategic goals, the CWG plays a vital role in supporting and enhancing the contributions of cancer nurses in comprehensive cancer care and professional development across Europe. The group works closely with the EONS Executive Board to achieve these objectives.

Membership in the CWG is reviewed by the EONS Executive Board. Together with the CWG co-chairs and members, the Executive Board collaboratively determines the group's priorities and tasks, ensuring alignment with EONS' overarching goals.

More information about the group can be found here:

<https://cancernurse.eu/communication/>

The CWG is responsible for offering guidance on potential initiatives for EONS to pursue and providing feedback on the society's ongoing efforts.

Objectives:

- Encourage EONS members and all European cancer nurses to share knowledge and activities related to communication, promoting best practices and raising awareness of the critical role and importance of recognizing cancer nurses.

- Develop and offer social media resources and tools to EONS members, including Social Media Guidelines and support for establishing National Cancer Nursing Societies, to enhance recognition and visibility.
- Conduct annual evaluations to measure the effectiveness and impact of EONS communication across various media channels.
- Share and promote EONS education activities by providing expertise in communication to other working groups.
- Engage in collaborative projects focused on advancing cancer nursing education and enhancing professional competence.
- Actively contribute to the planning and implementation of advocacy initiatives and other key EONS, European, and global campaigns.
- Raise awareness of the value and benefits of being part of the EONS cancer nurse community.
- Address membership feedback, comments, and suggestions on ways to enhance collaboration through international partnerships.
- Support and promote EONS' research initiatives, including surveys, and assist in disseminating the results to European cancer nurses.
- Collaborate closely with the Advocacy Working Group to ensure the cancer nurse voice is effectively communicated at strategic and policy levels.
- Actively participate in planning and implementing media campaigns focused on healthy lifestyles and cancer prevention, including initiatives like Global Cancer Day on February 4th.

Expectations of Working Group Members:

- Actively participate in group discussions, meetings, and collaborative projects.
- Provide expertise and insights to enhance and support the group's initiatives.
- Actively participate in group activities and exchange knowledge with fellow members.
- Work collaboratively on EONS projects, educational initiatives, and advocacy efforts focused on nursing.
- Participate in regular virtual meetings (with a minimum attendance of 50% per year) and occasional in-person events.
- Raise awareness of current issues and opportunities for cancer nurses and ensure EONS' representation in relevant discussions.
- Participate in the development and implementation of the CWG work plan.
- Foster relationships with cancer nursing professionals and representatives from other healthcare organizations and societies.

Who We Are Looking For:

We invite applications from cancer nurses who:

- Work in cancer nursing (clinically or academically).
- Demonstrate a passion for cancer nursing and a strong commitment to professional development.
- Have excellent communication and teamwork skills.
- Are dedicated to advancing oncology practice, education, leadership and networking.
- Are enthusiastic about contributing ideas and actively participating in group activities.
- Are individual EONS members or members of their National Oncology Nursing Societies.

Working Group Terms:

- WG members serve two-year term with an option to renew twice. Membership of the Working Group is limited to a maximum duration of 6 years.
- Each member commits to pursuing activities that contribute towards the achievement of the EONS Strategic Goals.
- WG members will meet on a 6-week basis. Meetings may be held in person or virtually.
- WG members actively engage in meetings, contribute to discussions, and share innovative ideas through brainstorming.
- The WG regularly reviews the task groups' work, work plans, and membership. Members who have not attended regular meetings or contributed to activities supporting the WG's objectives for six consecutive months will be removed from the membership list.
- The WG creates an annual work plan that outlines the calendar of major activities to be undertaken throughout the year.
- Members review materials and provide feedback for improvement.
- Collaborate closely with other EONS working groups, individual members, and National Societies.

Time Commitment for CWG Members:

CWG members should expect to dedicate an average of 2-3 hours per month to complete the activities.

How to Apply:

Interested candidates are invited to submit their applications by 22nd December 2024.

To apply, please send the following documents to Stavroula.chante1@nhs.net and carlos.cargaleiro@gmail.com :

- A resume or curriculum vitae (CV) outlining your nursing education, work experience, and any relevant achievements.

- A cover letter describing your motivation for joining the Communication Working Group, along with the skills and perspectives you would bring to the team.

We encourage nurses from diverse backgrounds and specialties to apply, helping us create a vibrant and inclusive working group.

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us by emailing: eons.secretariat@cancernurse.eu.

Thank you for your interest in joining the Communication Working Group. We look forward to welcoming passionate and dedicated nurses who are eager to contribute to shaping the future of our profession.

Warm regards,

CWG Chairs: Stavroula Chante and Carlos Cargaleiro