

IRISH ASSOCIATION FOR NURSES IN ONCOLOGY

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Welcome to the
Irish Association
for Nurses in Oncology

The Irish Association for Nurses in Oncology (IANO) is a non-profit organisation that promotes continuing nurse education and provides a forum for exchange of knowledge for members of the oncology nursing profession.

Our members are nurses working in both a specialist and non-specialist capacity. They work in hospitals, in the community, in education and in administration.

As an association we are conscious that patients with cancer are being cared for in most wards in every general hospital, in institutions for the elderly and the general community. The educational and support of nurses working in these particular environments is crucial.

Annual Conference

Our annual conference is held each spring, co-ordinated by members of the NEC. Each conference has a theme and includes a variety of topics and expert presenters from Ireland and abroad. It features SIG parallel break-out sessions in their specialist areas, a poster session and commercial exhibits. Our annual conference has Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland (NMBI) category 1 approval.

Education

In addition to the annual conference, the IANO organises other educational events throughout the year such as TARGET (EONS education programme on targeted therapies).

Awards

The IANO regularly organises award opportunities for our members.

The President's prize is a clinical placement at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Centre (MSKCC) in New York. This award is an excellent opportunity for the successful candidate to work alongside a multidisciplinary oncology team within their chosen speciality area in a world renowned centre of excellence.

Our poster competition is featured at the annual conference. This is an opportunity for members to showcase their work and learn from each other.

Educational bursaries may also be awarded.

Membership

Professional registered nurses interested or involved in the care of patients with cancer are eligible for membership. Membership is established and sustained with an annual membership fee, payable in January of every year. Membership of the IANO entitles you to be a member of the regional networks and SIGs as well.

To become a member please download a form at www.iano.ie



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Aims of the Association:	Objectives of the Association:	Organisational Structure	Communication Pathway
<p>The IANO is a national organisation committed to the development of cancer nursing in Ireland. Our mission is to promote and develop excellence in the care of the patient with cancer, and to provide support and education for nurses involved in caring for patients with cancer. We are an active member of the European Oncology Nursing Society (E.O.N.S.) and welcome opportunities to participate with international nursing organisations.</p>	<p>To promote ongoing education in cancer care</p> <p>To increase awareness among nurses of cancer prevention & early detection</p> <p>To educate nurses in all aspects of cancer diagnosis, treatment, rehabilitation and palliation</p> <p>To provide a network for nurses working in cancer care and to support and facilitate the work of subspecialties in cancer nursing</p> <p>To be a forum of support for nurses working in cancer care</p> <p>To provide a programme of education and a forum for exchange of information for members of the nursing profession who care for people with cancer</p> <p>To promote nurse leadership in cancer care.</p>	<p>The IANO is coordinated by an elected National Executive Committee. This committee is comprised of 13 voluntary representatives: president, secretary and treasurer, regional networks representatives and Special Interest Groups (SIGs) as well as a representative from academia and paediatrics. The committee members facilitate the objectives of the association.</p> <p>Each SIG and network co-ordinate events at a local level throughout the year in addition to National events held by the IANO.</p>	<p>The IANO currently communicates with its members in five ways; Emails, Quarterly Newsletter, Website, Face Book and at our Annual conference. Our communication pathway has been created to ensure consistency and inclusiveness among members. The aim is to better inform our members of the latest developments in oncology and in doing so contribute to the professional development of the organisation.</p> <p>Each SIG and network has a communication representative who forward relevant information to the secretariat. There is also a representative from academia and paediatrics. The secretariat will then forward the updates on to the co-ordinators of the website, Facebook page and newsletter.</p> <p>If you would like to share some information with the members of the IANO, contact your local communication representative.</p>