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Young Cancer Nurses Report



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European Cancer Nurses Day 18th of May 2023

Helena received funding from the cancer nursing fund to attend in person celebrations and to represent Ireland at European Cancer Nurses Day. This year's celebration took place in Edinburgh in collaboration with UKONS. You can read all about her experience through the NCCP newsletter and in your information packs received at conference.

EONS 16 @ESMO 2023

This year's EONS at ESMO will take place from the 21st to the 23rd of October in Madrid Spain. Our very own Helena has been invited by the EONS Scientific Committee to talk about Nursing in Clinical Trials.

PrEvCan Campaign- EONS together with ESMO launched last October the groundbreaking Europe wide "Cancer Prevention Across Europe" (PrEvCan) Campaign. It is based on the European Code Against Cancer which sets out 12 recommendations ranging from physical activity and dietary guidelines all the way to tobacco use and second- hand use. Over a period of 12 months each month has been dedicated to promoting one of these recommendations and highlighting the scientific evidence supporting it. In September the key message is to take part in organised cancer screening programmes. More information is available on the EONS website <https://cancernurse.eu/prevcan/>

European Cancer Nursing Index (ECNI 2022)

The survey has now closed, and the data is being analysed results will be published in various scientific publications, conference presentations and on the EONS web page, once completed. Stay tuned for updates.

European College of Cancer Nursing 2023

An exciting initiative from the education working group within the European Oncology Nursing Society and a great opportunity for YCN's across Europe. 20 nurses from across Europe are currently taking part in the pilot program. The pilot program is ongoing and more information can be found at <https://cancernurse.eu/european-college-of-cancer-nursing-eccn/>

Nightingale Challenge 2023

A now staple of the EONS YCN group this year's webinars will take place in November keep an eye on our social media channels for the dates of same. Please join in if you can.

Webinar 1: The Future of Cancer Treatments

Webinar 2: Cancer nurses and psychological distress



YCN Twitter and EONS Podcast will also be taking place in the new year so please follow us for more updates.

YCN Blog

Set up over 2 years ago this has been a great success and a wide range of topics have been covered including the Importance of reducing exposure to radiation in cancer prevention, Breast Feeding and Hormones in Cancer. Both Helena and Kathell have written blogs for this series and continue to do so. Any suggestions for topics may be forwarded to either Helena and Kathell and same can be discussed with the EONS YCN.

More information about the above work can be found on the EONS national website www.cancernurse.eu and the IANO national website www.iano.ie It has been a great year for the YCN's if you have any issues or ideas you wish to discuss/ bring forward please contact Helena 😊 and don't forget to follow both the IANO and EONS on social media.

Irish Association for Nurses in Oncology (IANO) Call for Irish Young/Early Career Cancer Nurses

I would like to identify those of you who are young/early career cancer nurses specifically those new to the area of cancer care or those who have worked in cancer care since qualifying. With this information I'd like to contact this special interest group to see how best we could strengthen our knowledge and build our group within the IANO. Perhaps we can organise a national study day for young/early career cancer nurses focusing on the principals of cancer care and where it is going. We can also look at webinar or education sessions at both local and national level. I have found discussing ideas and taking through your experiences as a new cancer nurse to very beneficial previously. For anyone interested in communicating as the young/early career cancer nurses special interest group please can you email back, and I will be in contact. As members of the IANO we have a huge wealth of expertise and contacts at our disposal, and it would be great to utilise them.

Looking forward to hearing from you, Helena

The YCN looks forward to another successful year ahead please feel free to contact us
Helena and Kathell

