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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### **Oncology Nursing Certification Corporation (ONCC) Announces New Testing Company, Future Computer Based Testing**

Pittsburgh, PA - September 10, 2001 - ONCC President JoAnn Coleman, RN, MS, ACNP, AOCN<sup>®</sup> is pleased to announce that beginning January 1, 2002, ONCC will contract with The Chauncey Group International<sup>®</sup>, a subsidiary of Educational Testing Service, based in Princeton, New Jersey, to assist with the development and administration of the OCN<sup>®</sup> (Oncology Certified Nurse), AOCN<sup>®</sup> (Advanced Oncology Certified Nurse), and CPON (Certified Pediatric Oncology Nurse) certification examinations.

The Chauncey Group, founded in 1996, and ETS share more than 30 years of experience in designing, developing, and administering occupational certification and professional assessment programs. Beginning in 2002, The Chauncey Group, in collaboration with ONCC, will develop and administer the ONCC certification tests, with plans for transition to computer based testing in June of 2003.

"We are very excited about the services and technology The Chauncey Group has to offer", said JoAnn Coleman, RN, MS, ACNP, AOCN<sup>®</sup>, President of the ONCC Board of Directors. "In today's day and age, more and more certification groups are making the transition to computer based testing. The ONCC Board of Directors believes The Chauncey Group is in the best position to move us into the future, and we are quite confident with their ability to help ONCC make an efficient transition to computer based testing."

Initially, ONCC and The Chauncey Group will continue with the paper and pencil administration of the oncology nursing certification examinations through 2002. They will then begin to make the transition to computer based testing, administering the first in June of 2003. Paper and pencil versions of the examination will be offered on specific dates each year following the transition.

The Oncology Nursing Certification Corporation, an affiliated organization of the Oncology Nursing Society, administers and evaluates programs for certification in oncology nursing.