

# Oncology Nursing Certification Makes a Difference<sup>®</sup>

Oncology nursing certification recognizes a nurse's specialized knowledge and experience in cancer care. It proves the nurse has met minimum competency standards based on national practice. While an RN license means a nurse has the knowledge to safely provide care, certification shows a nurse also has the knowledge to competently provide specialized care.

## Feel more confident. Earn more. Have more career options.

Certification can provide nurses with:

- Increased confidence and satisfaction<sup>1</sup>
- Higher income - an average of \$7,000 annually<sup>2</sup>
- Greater appeal to employers<sup>3</sup>

## Employers benefits, too.

Certified oncology nurses help employers:

- Gain recognition by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Magnet Recognition Program, the American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer and more.
- Distinguish their facility in the healthcare marketplace.
- Provide skilled, knowledgeable care for a growing population of cancer patients and survivors.

## Patients prefer certified nurses.

Nursing certification assures patients their nurses are:

- qualified and experienced<sup>4</sup>
- up-to-date on cancer care
- prepared to effectively manage the symptoms associated with cancer treatment<sup>5</sup>

**Learn more at [www.oncc.org](http://www.oncc.org).**

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# Ready to get certified?

The Oncology Nursing Certification Corporation (ONCC®) is the premier provider of nationally accredited certification for nurses in oncology and related specialties.

## ONCC OFFERS FIVE CERTIFICATIONS

### **ONCOLOGY CERTIFIED NURSE (OCN®)**

Basic level certification in adult oncology nursing

### **CERTIFIED PEDIATRIC HEMATOLOGY ONCOLOGY NURSE (CPHON®)**

Basic level certification in pediatric hematology oncology nursing

### **ADVANCED ONCOLOGY CERTIFIED NURSE PRACTITIONER (AOCNP®)**

Role-specific advanced certification for nurse practitioners in adult oncology

### **CERTIFIED BREAST CARE NURSE (CBCN®)**

Specialty certification that covers the continuum of breast care nursing practice

### **BLOOD & MARROW TRANSPLANT CERTIFIED NURSE (BMTCN®)**

Specialty certification that addresses blood and marrow transplantation nursing in adults and children

## FEES

**\$296**

ONS/APHON Member

**\$416**

Non-Member

## PREPARE

Download the ONCC Certification Test Registration Manual at [www.oncc.org](http://www.oncc.org).

The manual contains:

- Test information
- Eligibility criteria
- Test content outlines
- Test reference lists

## STUDY

Use the test content outline and reference list to study.

Check out these resources on [www.oncc.org](http://www.oncc.org):

- Practice tests
- Sample test questions
- Study tips
- Review courses

## APPLY

Ready to test? Apply online at [www.oncc.org](http://www.oncc.org).

You will receive an Authorization to Test (ATT) within four weeks of submitting your application, if you are eligible to test.

An almost-immediate 90-day eligibility period will be assigned to you to schedule an appointment to take the test.



**WE'RE HERE TO HELP.**

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