About ONCC
The mission of ONCC is to promote health and safety by validating competence and ensuring life-long learning in oncology nursing and related specialties. All ONCC certifications with active examinations are nationally accredited.

Certified nurses offer:

Knowledge
Certified nurses have tested knowledge beyond entry-level care

Experience
Certified nurses have met rigorous requirements for experience in their specialty

Confidence
Provide employers with a level of confidence beyond an RN licensure alone

Find out more about how certified nurses can enhance patient care, professional staff and your image at www.oncc.org.

References
Certifications available

- **OCN®** (Oncology Certified Nurse) — basic level certification focusing on adult care
- **CPHON®** (Certified Pediatric Hematology Oncology Nurse) — basic level certification in pediatric hematology/oncology nursing
- **AOCNP®** (Advanced Oncology Certified Nurse Practitioner) — role-specific certification for nurse practitioners in adult oncology
- **AOCNS®** (Advanced Oncology Certified Clinical Nurse Specialist) — role-specific certification for clinical nurse specialists in adult oncology
- **CBCN®** (Certified Breast Care Nurse) — comprehensive certification for nurses who practice in breast care nursing
- **BMTCN®** (Blood & Marrow Transplant Certified Nurse) — comprehensive certification in blood and marrow stem cell transplantation nursing
- **AOCN®** (Advanced Oncology Certified Nurse) — advanced certification in adult oncology (available for renewal only)
- **CPON®** (Certified Pediatric Oncology Nurse) — basic level certification in pediatric oncology nursing (available for renewal only)

Certification is an investment

Certification is an investment in your:
- Staff’s professional development
- Facility’s commitment to providing quality care
- Public image

How to encourage certification

You can encourage certification by:
- Providing financial support
- Distributing certification information
- Recognizing certified nurses
- Offering salary incentives to certified nurses

Supporting certification in oncology nursing can help your institution:

- Recruit qualified nurses
- Retain experienced nurses
- Meet a growing demand for cancer care
- Respond to public preferences
- Meet accreditation standards

Financial support can include:
- Reimburse test fees and expenses
- Provide paid time off for review courses and to take the test
- Host on-site review courses
- Purchase test prep materials

Recognition can include:
- Send a congratulatory letter from the CEO to newly certified nurses
- Present certified nurses with a credential pin
- Publish names and photos of nurses on your website, newsletter, or social media pages
- Nominate a nurse for an ONCC award

Other encouragement can include:
- Recruit an advocate within your institution to promote certification benefits
- Host a certification fair
- Organize study groups
- Profile certified nurses on website or social media pages