The Oncology Nursing Certification Corporation (ONCC) is now accepting nominations for the Certified Breast Care Nurse of the Year Award. This award recognizes an outstanding CBCN® who has made significant contributions to breast care nursing and oncology/breast care nursing service, and who has supported and promoted breast care/oncology nursing certification.

The CBCN® of the Year will be presented with $1,000 and a crystal award at the Recognition Breakfast for Oncology Certified Nurses at the ONS Annual Congress.

Self-nominations and third party nominations are encouraged.

**AWARD CRITERIA**

Nominees must demonstrate accomplishments in the promotion of breast care/oncology nursing certification, breast care/oncology nursing service, and breast care nursing practice.

**Promotion of Oncology Nursing Certification**

* Actively promotes breast care/oncology nursing certification among nursing colleagues, other healthcare professionals, and healthcare consumers.

**Service**

* Enhances the image of breast care/oncology nursing among the general public.
* Participates in community affairs, legislative activities, or in organizations that affect nursing.
* Enhances the image of breast care/oncology nursing among healthcare professionals.
* Participates in community education.

**Breast Care Nursing Practice**

**Candidates must demonstrate accomplishments in one of the following areas (Nominee, Nominator, and recommendations must all address the same area):**

***Clinical Practice***

* Develops or uses creative approaches to breast care nursing which enhance quality patient care.
* Serves as an example to inspire breast care nurse peers.
* Demonstrates a commitment to the care of persons with cancer and their families.

***Education***

* Participates in the education and development of nurses.
* Participates in patient/family teaching.
* Participates in educating other disciplines about breast care/oncology nursing.

***Research***

* Participates in the research process.
* Applies research findings to nursing practice.
* Conducts research that positively affects breast care/oncology patient care.

**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

1. Award nominees must be currently CBCN®-certified at the time of application and award presentation.

2. Award nominees must have current, active, unencumbered RN licensure (or equivalent foreign credentials).

3. Members of the ONCC Recognition Subcommittee and the ONCC Board of Directors are not eligible to be nominees, to nominate individuals, or to provide recommendations for nominees while serving in that capacity, and for two years immediately thereafter.

**NOMINATION INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Save this form to your computer.
2. Submit all nomination materials together. The Nominator or Nominee should coordinate the submission of all materials.
3. Include the following for each nomination:

* Nomination information (Complete both Part 1 and Part 2); and
* Biographical Sketch information; and
* **Two** Recommendation Letters in PDF (.pdf) or Word® (.doc or .docx) format. The Recommendation Letters should describe, in 250 words or less, the Nominee’s accomplishments in promoting certification in oncology nursing or breast care nursing, breast care nursing service, and breast care nursing practice. Recommendation Letters must be provided by individuals other than the Nominee and Nominator.

1. Submit all materials by email to [ONCCNominations@oncc.org](mailto:ONCCNominations@oncc.org)
2. Do not submit additional materials, recommendations, or supporting documentation. It will not be considered.

**ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS**

* All decisions of the ONCC Recognition Subcommittee and ONCC Board of Directors are final.
* Award recipients must agree to be recognized (including but not limited to: the publication of the recipient’s name, photo, and/or excerpts from the nomination materials) in ONCC *Certification News*, ONCC social media,and/or other publications approved by ONCC.

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**Nomination Form**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

* The Nominator should complete Part 1 and 2. If this is a self-nomination, the nominee may complete this form.
* Submit complete nomination.
* **PART 1: NOMINEE INFORMATION**

First Name:       Last Name:

Credentials:

RN License Number:       State:       Expiration Date:

Home Address:

City:       State:       Zip:

Position/Job Title:

Employer:

Employer City:       State:       Zip:

Phone: Home:       Work:

Email:

Year of Original Certification:       Year Current Certification Expires:

Number of Years as an RN:       Number of Years in Oncology Nursing:

**Recommendation Letters**

List the name and contact information of the two people who are providing Recommendation Letters. Note: Nominators and Nominees cannot provide recommendations.

1. Name:

Address:

City:       State:       Zip:

Phone:       Email:

2. Name:

Address:

City:       State:       Zip:

Phone:       Email:

## Part 2: DESCRIPTION OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The Description of Accomplishments should be completed by the Nominator, or by the Nominee if this is a self-nomination.

Nominator’s Full Name:

Address:

City:       State:       Zip:

Phone:       Email:

Relationship to Award Nominee:

**Describe the Nominee’s accomplishments in each of the following areas:**

1. Promoting breast care/oncology nursing certification, and
2. Breast care nursing service, and
3. **One** of the following areas of breast care nursing practice. The nominee, nominator, and recommendations must all address the same area of breast care nursing practice.

Clinical Practice  Education Research

Begin typing your description in the field below. The field will expand to fit your text as you type.

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**Biographical Sketch Form**

This information should be completed by the Nominee.

**NOMINEE CONTACT INFORMATION**

Name:

Home Address:

City:       State:       Zip:

Phone:       Email:

**PROFESSIONAL, CIVIC, AND SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS** (if relevant to nomination)

Name of Organization:

Position:       Date(s) of Service:

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Name of Organization:

Position:       Date(s) of Service:

**PREVIOUS WORK EXPERIENCE** (if pertinent to award nomination) check here if not applicable.

Institution:

Title:

Description of Responsibility:

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Title:

Description of Responsibility:

1. **PROMOTION OF CERTIFICATION**

Describe how you have promoted certification in breast care nursing or oncology nursing. Begin typing your description in the field below. The field will expand to fit your text as you type. Please limit to 300 words or less.

1. **SERVICE**

Describe your activities that have enhanced breast care nursing or oncology nursing. Begin typing your description in the field below. The field will expand to fit your text as you type. Please limit to 300 words or less.

1. **BREAST CARE NURSING PRACTICE**

Check **one** area of breast care nursing practice that should be considered for this award. The Nominee, Nominator, and recommendations must all address the same area.

Clinical Practice  Education  Research

Begin typing your description in the field below. The field will expand to fit your text as you type. Please limit to 300 words or less.

Will you be attending the ONS Congress next year?  Yes  No

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