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GROW YOUR FUTURE IN NAVIGATION

It's been eight years since AONN+ was founded as the professional home for oncology navigators.

Since then, I've often wished for a concise image that shows all the ways in which navigators could grow their career through AONN+ membership. The answer came to me recently in the form of a tree.

Like the tree's roots and trunk, AONN+ provides a foundation for its members through certification, new knowledge, survivorship and navigation skills, professional development and mentoring. This foundation helps our members reach whatever career goal—branch—that they desire.

This commitment to our members' success has reaped tremendous rewards for AONN+. In 2016, we marked another year of consecutive growth—both in membership and conference attendance.

The past year also brought the official launch of our certification exam, the first of its kind for our profession. In April, at our 2017 regional meeting, we held the beta test for thoracic oncology nurse navigator certification (the official exam will take place at the annual conference in November). Breast, colorectal and other organ site—specific certifications will be offered in the near future.

The tremendous efforts of our Evidence into Practice Committee and Metrics Subcommittee were realized late last year with the establishment of standardized navigation metrics. These allow us to now measure success based on patient experience, clinical outcomes and return on investment.

Equally rewarding is the growing number of members who are committing their time and knowledge to helping drive key projects and initiatives.

Taken together, I think it's fair to say that these are certainly very exciting times for AONN+ and the field of navigation.

None of this success would be possible without the continued support of our faculty, members and sponsors. As the backbone of our Academy, you are helping to elevate oncology navigation to an unprecedented level of respect and recognition, while subsequently improving the care of cancer patients globally.

On behalf of our members and their patients, thank you for your commitment to this effort and to AONN+.



Sincerely,

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MISSION








The mission of AONN+ is to advance the role of patient navigation in cancer care and survivorship care planning by providing a network for collaboration and development of best practices for the improvement of patient access to care, evidence-based cancer treatment and quality of life during and after cancer treatment. Cancer survivorship begins at the time of cancer diagnosis.

One-on-one patient navigation should occur simultaneously with diagnosis and be proactive in minimizing the impact treatment can have on quality of life. Additionally, navigation should encompass community outreach to raise awareness targeted toward prevention and early diagnosis, and must encompass short-term survivorship care, including transitioning survivors efficiently and effectively under the care of their community providers.

VISION

The vision of AONN+ is to increase the role of and access to skilled and experienced oncology nurse and patient navigators so that all cancer patients may benefit from their guidance, insight and personal advocacy.

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THRIVING THROUGH YOUR SUPPORT

While a successful non-profit organization requires enthusiastic members, it also needs the backing of dedicated, corporate sponsors.

AONN+ is honored to have several such partners whose generosity and commitment have made it possible for the Academy to fulfill its mission of improving patient care and quality of life by defining, enhancing and promoting the role of nurse and patient navigators.

AONN+ WOULD LIKE TO THANK ITS 2016 SPONSORS

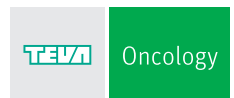
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BRANCHING OUTWARD AND UPWARD

POSITIONED FOR GROWTH

The past year brought tremendous growth and energy to AONN+ and its membership. Beyond the formal launch of the Oncology Nurse Navigator-Certified Generalist™ (ONN-CG) and Oncology Patient Navigator-Certified Generalist™ (OPN-CG) exams, AONN+ hosted two very successful conferences, established meaningful partnerships, introduced standard navigation metrics and significantly expanded its reach.



Looking ahead to 2017, AONN+ has set aggressive goals to ensure continued growth and enrichment of its members and the profession.

AONN+ GOALS FOR 2017 INCLUDE:

- Continue to position AONN+ as the premier and most trusted professional association for nurse and patient navigators
- Promote the value of certification to navigators and cancer centers
- Establish oncology navigation certification as a core component of accredited cancer programs
- Expand the ONN-CG™ and OPN-CG™ certification exam site access
- Formalize organ site-specific (focusing initially on thoracic) and subspecialty certification exams
- Publish Springer Navigation Book with chapters authored by AONN+ members and leadership

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2016 INCLUDE:

- Increased membership to more than 6,000 navigators
- Increased corporate sponsors to nine partners
- Held first live, local Best Practices in Oncology Nurse & Patient Navigation multiday workshop
- Initiated the thoracic oncology nurse navigator certification process and core modules

ESTABLISHED IN 2016

Framework and multiphase development for a newly designed AONN+ website featuring the AONN+ Navigation & Survivorship Resource Library.

A one-stop shop for:

- Clinical research and best practice articles
- Navigation and survivorship metrics
- Tools for less experienced navigators
- Standards of care that impact patient navigation and accreditation



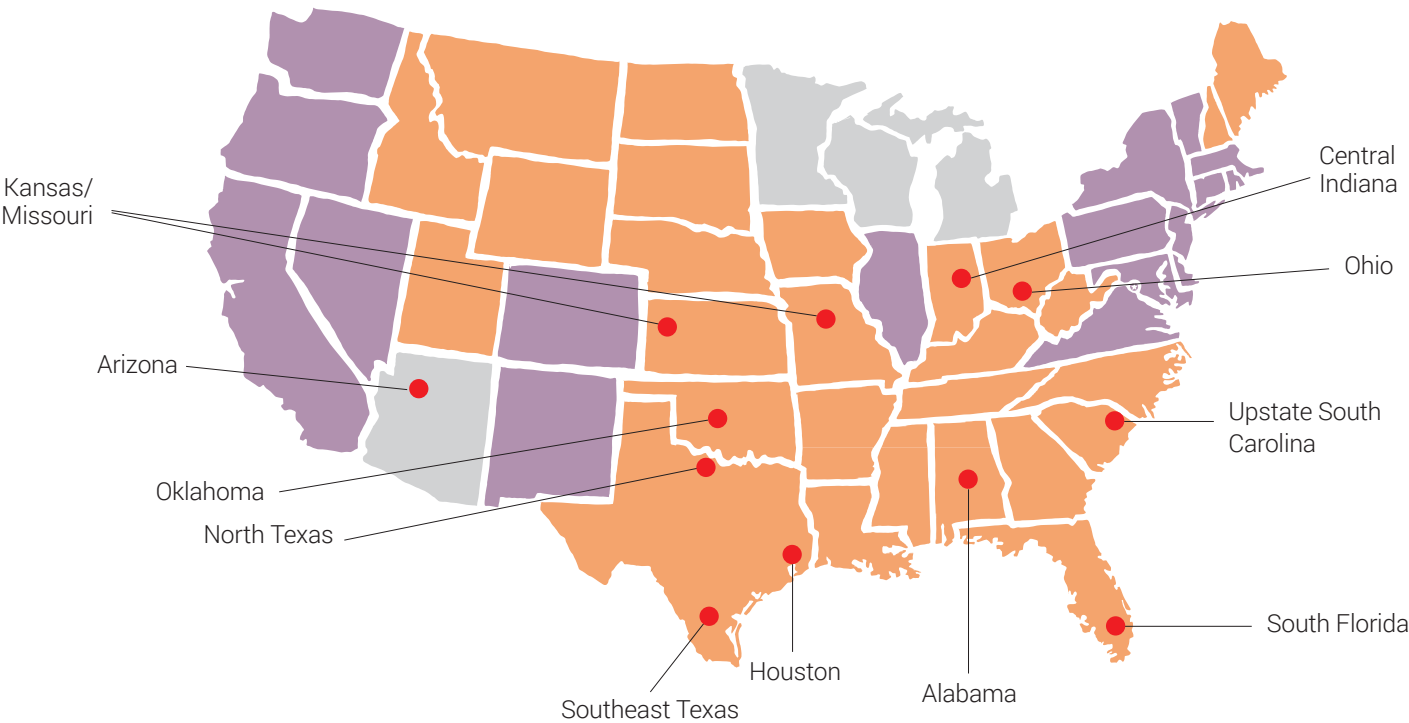
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POSITIONED FOR GROWTH



SPREADING ROOTS THROUGH NAVIGATOR NETWORKS

Established 12 local navigator networks



WHAT'S IN A WEBSITE IN 2016?

AONN
Academy of Oncology
Nurse & Patient Navigators

22,000
AVERAGE PAGEVIEWS

JOURNAL OF ONCOLOGY
NAVIGATION & SURVIVORSHIP
The Official Journal of the Academy of Oncology Nurse & Patient Navigators

3,500
AVERAGE PAGEVIEWS

CONQUER
the patient voice

13,000
AVERAGE PAGEVIEWS



BRANCHING OUTWARD AND UPWARD

EXPANDING OUR REACH

COC ACCREDITATION AND SURVIVORSHIP STANDARD AREAS OF FOCUS FOR AONN+

It's been just over a year since AONN+ joined the American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer (CoC) as its 53rd member, and already, Lillie D. Shockney, RN, BS, MAS, ONN-CG, co-founder and program director, AONN+, is making her mark.



As a fellow of the CoC representing AONN+, Shockney is serving on the CoC's Accreditation Committee and is chairing a task force focusing specifically on the Survivorship Care Plan Standard.

"Virtually all institutions across the country are struggling to meet this standard," Shockney explains. "This task force is poised to make some necessary modifications."

It's a task, however, that she says will take some help.

"We're seeking feedback from any cancer centers that have embarked upon evidence-based research to demonstrate the standard's value or lack of

benefit," says Shockney. She adds that this was the first time that the CoC implemented a standard without evidence-based research to support it.

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—Lillie D. Shockney, RN, BS, MAS, ONN-CG

"It seemed to make sense and was logical, but giving patients a piece of paper doesn't mean that it's used as intended," she says. "This is part of what we need to nail down."

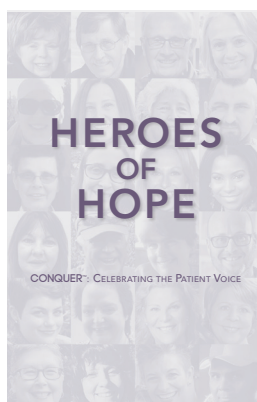
Representing AONN+, Shockney takes part in monthly conference calls and attends two face-to-face meetings a year. Despite adding to her already full plate, she sees CoC membership as a tremendous opportunity.

"Through CoC membership, AONN+ is uniquely positioned to elevate the navigation profession and its value to the care continuum," says Shockney. "It's really an honor to be working side-by-side with some of the nation's foremost oncology organizations."

BRANCHING OUTWARD AND UPWARD

ENRICHING AND ENERGIZING OUR MEMBERS

AONN+ recognizes the value and importance of providing its members with the opportunity to meet and learn alongside their navigation peers. In 2016, the Academy once again offered its members two such opportunities through its Second Annual Midyear Meeting and its Seventh Annual Navigation & Survivorship Conference, in Las Vegas. Both events experienced over 20% year-over-year attendance growth and delivered robust educational and networking opportunities.



LONG ISLAND SURVIVOR RECEIVES 2016 HERO OF HOPE™ PATIENT AWARD

Since her diagnosis in 2001 of carcinoid cancer, a form of neuroendocrine tumor (NET), Maryann Wahmann has made it her mission to raise awareness and research funds for this rare and often deadly form of cancer. She has saved countless lives in the process—including that of her own daughter, Tricia, who was diagnosed with NET in 2012.

For her work, Wahmann was awarded the 2016 Hero of Hope™ Patient Award.

More than 18,000 votes were cast over a three-month period for the six Hero of Hope finalists; Wahmann, founder of the Neuroendocrine Cancer Awareness Network (NCAN), captured the most. As the 2016 Hero of Hope™ recipient, she received a plaque recognizing her contribution to the cancer community and a donation of \$1,000 to the charity of her choice in her name.

THE ACADEMY'S SEVENTH ANNUAL NAVIGATION & SURVIVORSHIP CONFERENCE AT A GLANCE

OVER
1,000
PARTICIPANTS

60
POSTERS

86
EXHIBIT BOOTHS

11
GENERAL SESSIONS

13
BREAKOUT SESSIONS

8
N.E.X.T. DAY PROGRAMS

6
PRODUCT THEATERS

8
POSTER AWARD WINNERS
(PLAQUES AND BLUE RIBBONS)

7
HONORABLE MENTIONS
(WHITE RIBBONS)

2
KEYNOTE SESSIONS

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ENRICHING AND ENERGIZING OUR MEMBERS

RECOGNIZING ALL OF OUR HEROES

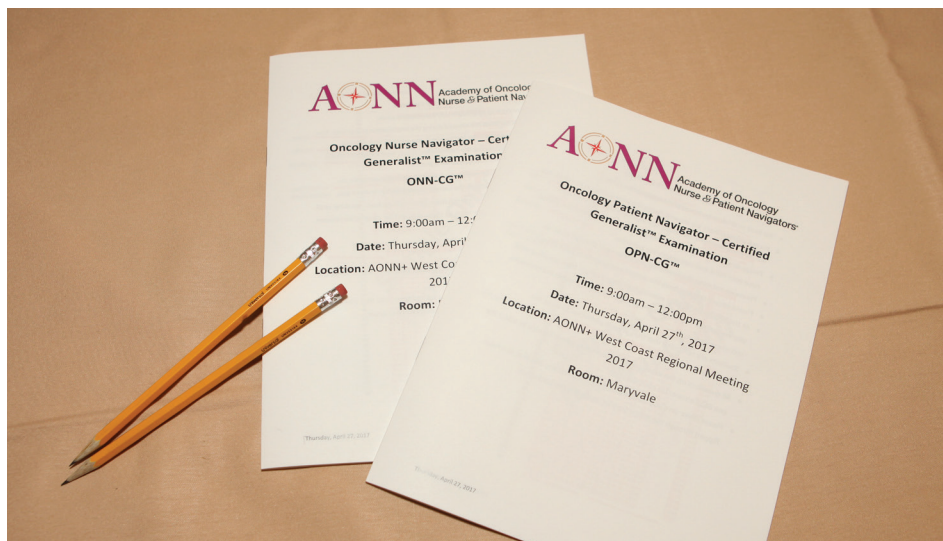
For the first time, stories submitted to the 2016 Hero of Hope™ Patient Award by readers of *CONQUER™: the patient voice* magazine were compiled into a book that was sent to all award candidates. This book served as a way to recognize the endurance, determination, courage and creativity of patients with cancer. It was made possible by support from Takeda Oncology.



IDAHO NURSE AND CANCER SURVIVOR HONORED WITH NATIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARD

For her leadership, compassion and commitment to evidence-based practices, Linda Penwarden, RN, MN, AOCN, an oncology clinical nurse specialist at St. Luke's Mountain States Tumor Institute in Boise, Idaho, was honored with AONN+'s 2016 Oncology Nursing Excellence Award (ONE).

Penwarden is a cancer survivor herself, and draws upon her experiences as a patient and provider to inform St. Luke's weekly Treatment Learning Class, which she founded 15 years ago. Penwarden also helped build the oncology navigator program at St. Luke's, which is now in its ninth year. Outside of her work, Penwarden volunteers with the American Cancer Society and the Quality Oncology Practice Initiative through the American Society of Clinical Oncology.



NEARLY 200 NAVIGATORS TOOK PART IN THE INAUGURAL CERTIFICATION EXAM AT AONN+ ANNUAL CONFERENCE

On November 17, AONN+ realized a long-standing goal when oncology nurse and patient navigators from across the country took part in the inaugural Oncology Nurse Navigator-Certified Generalist™ (ONN-CG) and Oncology Patient Navigator-Certified Generalist™ (OPN-CG) exams during the Seventh Annual Navigation & Survivorship Conference in Las Vegas.

These exams were developed by AONN+'s Certification Task Force and are the only ones of their kind for oncology navigation professionals. Certification exams are administered twice a year.

The 142 oncology nurse navigators who sat the inaugural ONN-CG™ exam and 47 nonclinical navigators who sat the inaugural OPN-CG™ exam were all required to demonstrate their competency across a broad array of patient care areas. In addition to passing the exam, candidates must also meet certain experience, education and membership criteria.

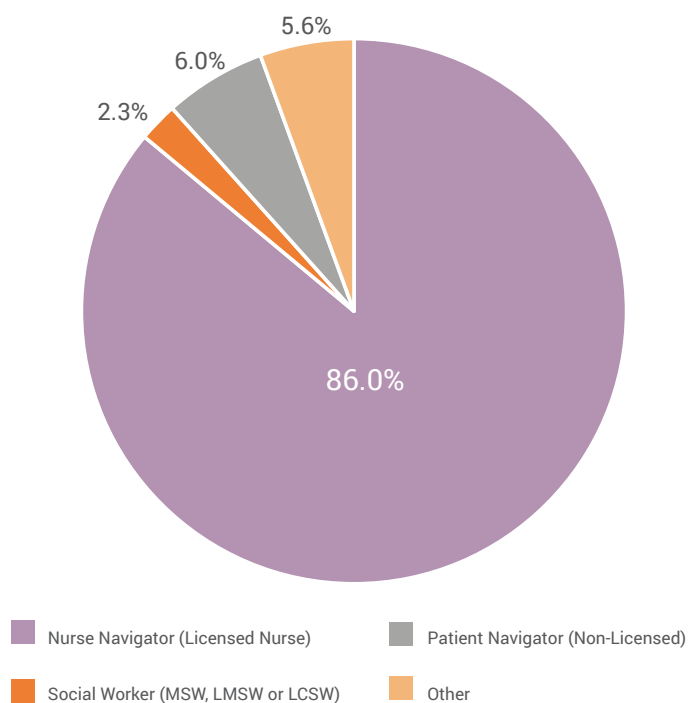
In April 2017, AONN+ will offer the beta test of its thoracic oncology nurse navigator certification. The official exam will take place at the annual conference in November. This is the first of a series of organ site-specific certifications that AONN+ will be offering.

Data and member feedback are vital tools that AONN+'s leadership relies on when developing growth strategies and goals. Much of this information is obtained through the annual member survey, which aims to determine the state of the profession. Assessment results are shared with leadership at the annual meeting and used as a guide for future activities.

2016 AONN+ MEMBER SURVEY TAKEAWAYS

- The majority of navigators are experienced healthcare professionals, but still relatively new to the navigation profession
- Navigators manage diverse patient cases across solid tumors and hematologic malignancies
- Oncologists/specialists consult with navigators from diagnosis through survivorship for:
 - Coordination/access to care
 - Counseling needs/support
 - Supportive care/symptom management/treatment selection planning
 - Medication compliance/adherence
- Navigators are an important part of the tumor board team to help determine the best course of therapy for the patient
- Live, print and peer-to-peer communication channels are the most important educational resources for navigators
- The *Journal of Oncology Navigation & Survivorship (JONS)* is the #1 valued benefit of AONN+ members

86% of AONN+ Members Are Nurse Navigators

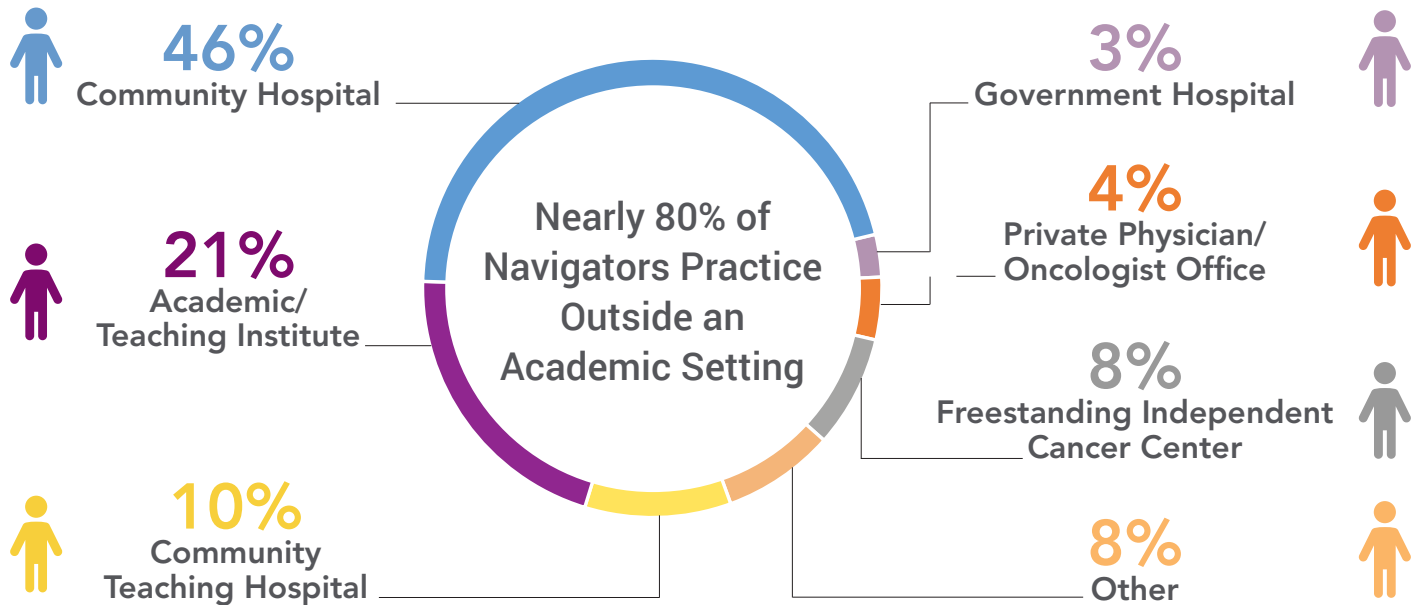


85% of Navigators Participate in Tumor Board Conferences for Treatment Planning Discussions

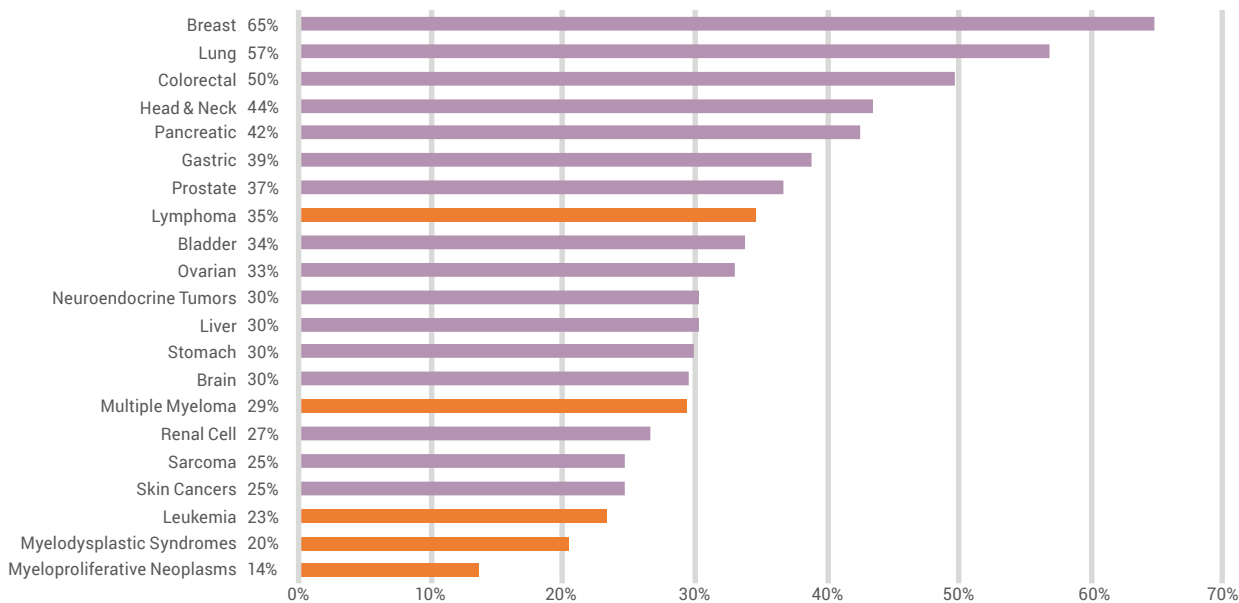
Based on meeting attendee and membership questionnaire responses. Data on file with the Academy of Oncology Nurse & Patient Navigators.

BRANCHING OUTWARD AND UPWARD

DIGGING INTO THE DATA



AONN+ Members Manage Diverse Patient Cases Across Solid Tumors and Hematologic Malignancies



Based on meeting attendee and membership questionnaire responses.
Data on file with the Academy of Oncology Nurse & Patient Navigators.

Supporting the knowledge-based needs of AONN+'s more than 6,000 members is a monumental task. Yet, it's one that the Evidence into Practice Committee is managing expertly, as demonstrated by the significant growth and success that it experienced in 2016.

Over the course of the year, participation in the committee increased by 50 percent—from 150 members in 2015 to 292 today. It's a milestone that paves the way for the group's future efforts.

"For our committee to succeed, we have to avoid becoming stagnant," says Elaine Sein, RN, BSN, CBCN, Evidence into Practice Committee co-chair. "We do this by adding new members who bring diverse experience and energy to the table, and who can help support the workload."



"It's great to see how members are harnessing one another's ideas and using these to increase participation.

—Danelle Johnston, RN, MSN, ONN-CG, OCN, CBCN

IT'S A STRATEGY THAT'S WORKING

In addition to meeting long-standing organizational goals, the committee also expanded its reach and offerings this past year. Some of the committee's 2016 highlights include:

- Publishing AONN+'s Standardized Navigation Metrics White Paper (see next page)
- Creating the Technology and Survivorship Subcommittees
- Hosting the first Evidence into Practice presentation to offer continuing education units (CEUs); this very popular session took place at AONN+'s Seventh Annual Navigation & Survivorship Conference in November 2016. It was followed by a breakout session to garner member interest and input into the committee's activities. More than 250 AONN+ members attended
- Developing materials to promote the committee and its subcommittees to AONN+ members at the regional and annual conferences

Looking ahead to 2017, the Evidence into Practice Committee will continue to grow both participation and educational opportunities. Plans are in place to increase the number of CEU presentations that the committee offers at AONN+'s annual meeting—from one to three. The committee and subcommittees will also continue to provide networking meetings for each committee and subcommittee to share accomplishments, goals and to engage new members at both AONN+'s midyear and annual meetings. "It's exciting for us to see how the committee is really starting to take off," shares Danelle Johnston, RN, MSN, BSN, ONN-CG, OCN, CBCN, Evidence into Practice Committee co-chair. "It's great to see how members are harnessing one another's ideas and using these to increase participation. I can't wait to see what 2017 will bring."

NURTURING THE GROWTH OF AONN+

FEEDING THE NEED FOR KNOWLEDGE

NAVIGATION METRICS: A GOAL REALIZED

For years, the navigation profession has been faced with a nagging problem: how to report and measure navigation programs consistently using evidence-based guidelines.

Although several articles and research projects have discussed various measures that can be used to capture the impact of navigation, most of these focus on time-to-care metrics, patient satisfaction and measures that assist with care of the underserved. Few discuss the broad range of measures that validate the role of navigation in all areas of oncology patient care.

This was the impetus for the Evidence into Practice Metrics Subcommittee, led by Tricia Strusowski, MS, RN. On November 17, 2016, at AONN+'s Seventh Annual Navigation & Survivorship Conference, the subcommittee proudly announced that after nearly two years of work, it had successfully identified 35 evidence-based national navigation metrics



This project was funded by AONN+ and required that the subcommittee members review over 300 source documents, using measure development criteria ensuring feasibility, meaningfulness and breadth of metric. This guaranteed reliability and validity.

that all programs could use in their navigation model. These metrics focus on three areas: patient experience, clinical outcomes and return on investment, and use AONN+'s DOMAINS for certification (Professional Roles and Responsibilities, Operations Management, Survivorship/End of Life, and Research/Quality/Performance Improvement).

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The goal was to create evidence-based navigation metrics that every program can use despite the cancer program's specific model of navigation. The next step will be to work with AONN+ to develop a metrics repository for programs to report outcomes, lessons learned and performance improvement initiatives that have been implemented to enhance and improve navigation processes. This will provide a means through which programs can share data nationally and begin to develop standardized reporting.

The Evidence into Practice Committee (EIP) has three subcommittees: Metrics, Newsletter and ACQUIRE (Mentorship). Survivorship and Technology recently became stand-alone committees. These groups focus on key areas of need as identified by AONN+ leadership and members. This section of the report serves to highlight the subcommittees' prior year achievements and 2017 goals.



ASSISTANCE FOR QUALITY AND RESEARCH (ACQUIRE) MENTORSHIP SUBCOMMITTEE

Co-chairs: Elaine Sein, RN, BSN, OCN, CBCN
Pamela Goetz, BA, OPN-CG

Purpose: Provide mentorship to support AONN+ members in areas of quality improvement processes, metrics and reporting.

2016 HIGHLIGHTS:

- Needs assessment of members through a web-based survey to establish clear primary and secondary goals for the subcommittee
- 2016 networking session engaged more than 20 new people interested in actively participating
- Established two work groups—one will develop resources for abstract writing whereas the other will put together resources for how to publish. Both will be placed on the AONN+ website.

2017 GOALS:

- New leadership identified for 2017
- Prepare AONN+ members for abstract development and poster presentations at the 2017 annual meeting
- Abstract and Journal Publishing resource work group
- Mentoring navigators with quality improvement initiatives, outcomes and research



ABSTRACT REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE

Co-chairs: Elaine Sein, RN, BSN, OCN, CBCN
Danelle Johnston, RN, MSN, BSN,
ONN-CG, OCN, CBCN
Kristin Slyahian

Purpose: Objectively review AONN+ member abstracts and provide feedback for revision, with the greater goal of building momentum and evidence around navigation.

2016 HIGHLIGHT:

- A strong point of this committee's work was mentoring done for abstract reviews to assist submitters with guidance and support to encourage and support members to showcase their quality review projects

2017 GOALS:

- Revise language on website to include purpose, submission requirements and links to examples of accepted and rejected abstracts
- Change submission to word count rather than character count



NURTURING THE GROWTH OF AONN+

SPOTLIGHT ON THE EIP SUBCOMMITTEES

METRICS SUBCOMMITTEE

Chair: Tricia Strusowski, MS, RN

Purpose: To develop standard metrics in the area of return on investment, clinical outcomes and patient experience using all the areas in which navigators practice to provide quality patient care and financial stability for their organizations.

2016 HIGHLIGHT:

- Published AONN+'s Standardized Navigation Metrics White Paper

2017 GOALS:

- Continue to push out the standardized navigation metrics (via May 2017 issue of *JONS*)
- Conduct multidisciplinary panel discussion at AONN+ regional meeting in Phoenix to answer questions related to metrics and value
- Develop repository on AONN+ website to collect, collate and disseminate metrics
- Pilot five of the 35 metrics with select organizations to see how the repository will work

NEWSLETTER SUBCOMMITTEE

Novice Navigators Chair: Pam Goetz, BA, OPN-CG

Seasoned Navigators Chair: Cheryl Bellomo, RN, MSN, ONN-CG, OCN

Purpose: Produce a quarterly newsletter with a focus on providing concrete tools and resources for quality improvement, research and metric development that dovetails with the domains of certification for both the novice and seasoned navigator.

2016 HIGHLIGHT:

- Published newsletters covering four of the domains of certification

2017 GOALS:

- Publish newsletters on the remaining three domains of certification
- Conduct a survey at AONN+ regional meeting in Phoenix to collect ideas for keeping the momentum around evidence into practice
- Prepare to launch broader committee newsletters

SURVIVORSHIP SUBCOMMITTEE

Co-chairs: Jennifer R. Klemp, PhD, MPH, MA
Staci Oertle, RN, MSN, APN, AOCNP

Purpose: To provide education and support regarding survivorship programs and sustainable metrics through sharing of best practices.

2016 HIGHLIGHTS:

- Delivered CEU presentation on survivorship and the navigator at annual conference in Las Vegas
- Established itself as a stand-alone committee

2017 GOALS:

- Increase knowledge related to multidisciplinary cancer survivorship care and incorporating quality metrics into practice
- Identify appropriate healthcare use and program development with the primary focus on survivors' quality of life—starting survivorship care from the time of diagnosis
- Identify essential components of Survivorship Care Plan that are accurate, personalized, meaningful and useful to the patient

TECHNOLOGY SUBCOMMITTEE

Co-chairs: Linda Fleisher, PhD, MPH
Brook Blackmore, MSN, RN

Purpose: Focus on the use of technology to capture data/metrics for evaluation, improve quality in navigation and provide patient education and navigator resources.

2016 HIGHLIGHT:

- Established itself as a stand-alone committee

2017 GOALS:

- Collaborate with other committees to help with various technology needs and gaps
- Work with Metrics Subcommittee and AONN+ IT department on metrics repository
- Work with the Survivorship Subcommittee to develop online resources
- Conduct a survey to determine technology and training priorities

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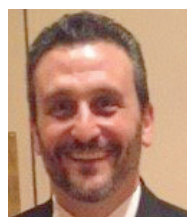
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142 Navigators Took Part in
the Inaugural Certified
ONN-CG™ Exam

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47 Navigators Took Part in
the Inaugural Certified
OPN-CG™ Exam

AONN+ BY THE NUMBERS

A COMMITMENT TO FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

AONN+ values the trust of its sponsors, partners and members, and works diligently to ensure that all resources and funds are managed responsibly and in a way that will directly benefit members and the navigation profession at large.

Annual revenues—which are comprised largely of membership dues and sponsorships—allow AONN+ to develop educational materials and programming, build networks and generate new knowledge and tools that navigators at all stages of their career need to grow professionally. A percentage of these revenues also sustain the infrastructure necessary to support AONN+'s robust offerings.

At all times, AONN+ strives to demonstrate the highest standard of accountability, effectiveness, efficiency and transparency in its day-to-day operations.

2016 FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

In 2015, AONN+ paired an effective financial management strategy with revenues from members and sponsors to grow its program portfolio. Annual revenues were increased by 51.4% in 2016, and AONN+ finished the year with four months of expenditures in reserve. The ratio of current assets (\$2,250,008) to current liabilities (\$1,584,901) is 1.42, up from 1.02 last year.

AONN+ anticipates that the Academy will continue on this upward trajectory as the demand for navigators increases and the need for professional and educational resources grows.

OPERATING REVENUE 2016

Corporate Sponsorships/Memberships	\$1,994,076
Conference Revenue/Registrations	\$1,328,182
Other	—
Total	\$3,322,258

OPERATING EXPENSES 2016

Conferences/Meetings/Travel	\$1,338,391
Registration Processing Fees	\$15,808
Honoraria	\$106,650
Marketing Services	\$800,000
General & Administrative	\$312,345
Computer Services	\$10,322
Equipment Rental & Maintenance	\$5,065
Office Supplies	\$56,049
Printing & Copying	\$36,671
Bank Charges	\$26
Total	\$2,681,327

OPERATING PROFIT

Operating Profit	\$ 640,931
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A VENUE FOR KNOWLEDGE AND ENGAGEMENT

AONN+ provides its corporate partners in the biotechnology, pharmaceutical, medical device, specialty pharmacy and other industries with a host of platforms through which they can engage and share new knowledge with oncology professionals and patients.

THESE INCLUDE:

- Qualitative and quantitative market research, including advisory boards, surveys, and focus groups
- Live events, including local meetings and webinars (either branded or unbranded), as well as annual and regional conferences with multiple sponsorship opportunities
- Steering committee, focus group, and advisory board management services (either single- or multistakeholder)
- On-demand resources, including web presentations and materials, and downloadable resources
- Marketing support through custom or repurposed patient education materials and unbranded nursing resources, as well as branded custom communications and nonclinical monographs

FRUITS OF OUR LABOR

Among the many benefits of AONN+ membership is access to the Academy's vast publication library. This wealth of printed and digital resources exists to serve members' varied needs—from enhancing their own knowledge base to providing valuable information and resources to help patients navigate through their cancer experience.



JOURNAL OF ONCOLOGY NAVIGATION & SURVIVORSHIP

OUR PUBLICATION LIBRARY INCLUDES

The *Journal of Oncology Navigation & Survivorship*® (*JONS*) features original research, best practices, case reports and expert interviews that empower oncology nurses and patient navigators with the knowledge they need on the job. *JONS* also serves as a platform through which these professionals can share new knowledge and ideas. In addition to the print and online versions, highlights from the latest issue are e-mailed to AONN+ members twice a month. *JONS* is circulated to more than 6,000 members. www.JONS-online.com

CONQUER[™] the patient voice

CONQUER™: *the patient voice* features articles written by and for patients with cancer, survivors, nurse navigators and other oncology team members. *CONQUER* addresses the issues that patients, their family members and caregivers face every day. Content includes human interest stories, information on access to care and lifestyle topics (nutrition, stress management, personal finance and legal/employer issues). *CONQUER* is circulated to 137,500+. www.conquer-magazine.com

The Oncology Nurse-APN/PA

The Oncology Nurse-APN/PA® features articles written by and for oncology nurses and specifically addresses the issues nurses and their colleagues face every day in clinical practice. Content includes news on the latest research findings, results of large clinical trials, interviews with thought leaders, articles of interest to student nurses and lifestyle features (nutrition, stress management, personal finance and communication/time management skills). Each issue offers a continuing education activity that readers can complete to earn free continuing education credits through industry partners. *The Oncology Nurse* is circulated to more than 20,000 oncology nurses. www.TheOncologyNurse.com

ONCOLOGY navigation & survivorship NEWS

Navigation & Survivorship News is a biweekly e-newsletter written by members of the Academy that provides members with the latest updates in the world of oncology navigation, including conference highlights, continuing education activities, groundbreaking research and insights from the experts.

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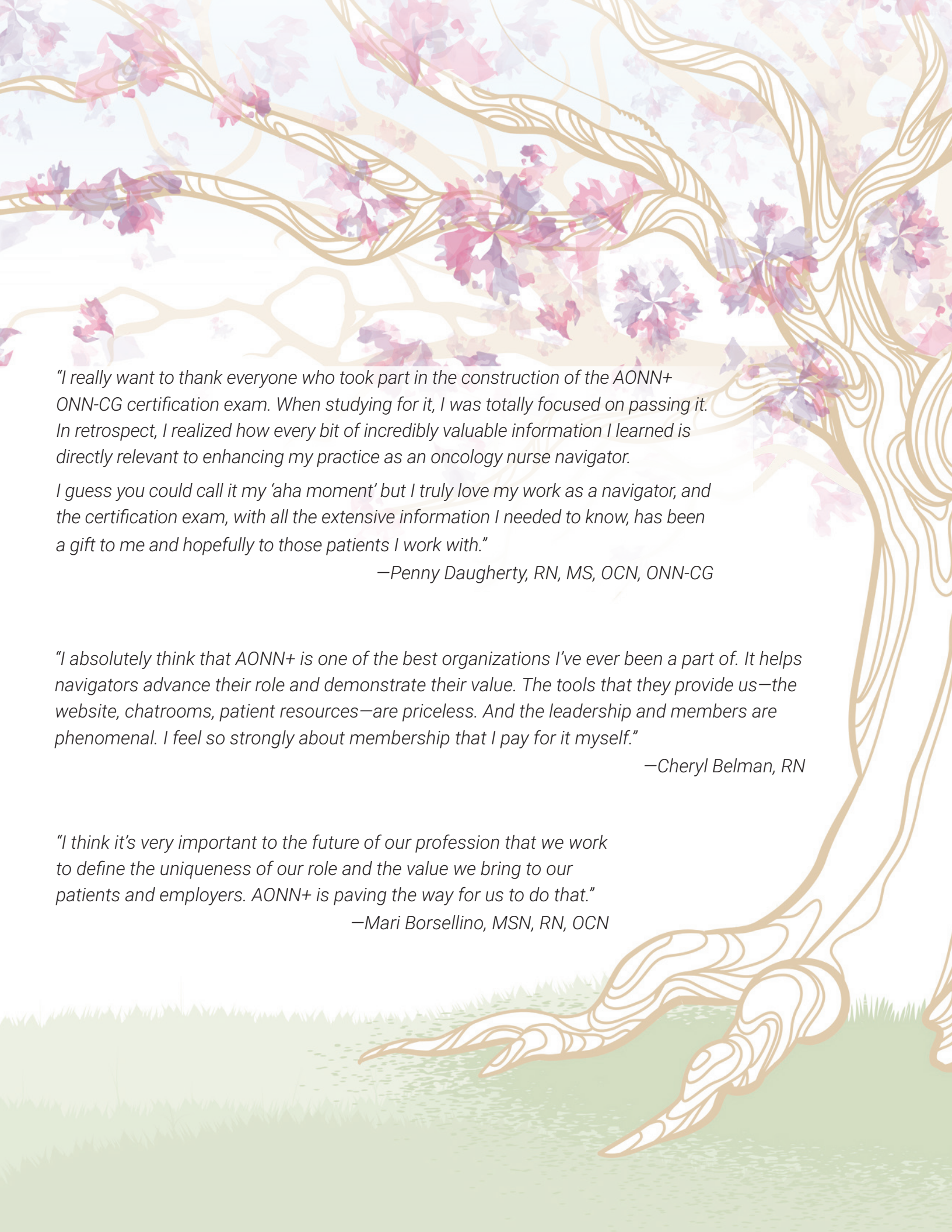
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"I really want to thank everyone who took part in the construction of the AONN+ ONN-CG certification exam. When studying for it, I was totally focused on passing it. In retrospect, I realized how every bit of incredibly valuable information I learned is directly relevant to enhancing my practice as an oncology nurse navigator.

I guess you could call it my 'aha moment' but I truly love my work as a navigator, and the certification exam, with all the extensive information I needed to know, has been a gift to me and hopefully to those patients I work with."

—Penny Daugherty, RN, MS, OCN, ONN-CG

"I absolutely think that AONN+ is one of the best organizations I've ever been a part of. It helps navigators advance their role and demonstrate their value. The tools that they provide us—the website, chatrooms, patient resources—are priceless. And the leadership and members are phenomenal. I feel so strongly about membership that I pay for it myself."

—Cheryl Belman, RN

"I think it's very important to the future of our profession that we work to define the uniqueness of our role and the value we bring to our patients and employers. AONN+ is paving the way for us to do that."

—Mari Borsellino, MSN, RN, OCN