

Patient Safety & Cancer Nursing

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World cancer day, world class nursing every day



Celebrating the changing role of cancer nursing

Several nurse-led services are now provided, such as nurse-led bone marrow aspiration service, nurse-led oral chemotherapy service, nurse-led follow-up for survivor care, nurse-led treatment review clinics, and nurse-led PICC line insertion service.

- Consultant Nurses, Clinical Professors and Clinical Nurse Specialists



Everyday care and compassion



“The greatest need we have today in the human cancer problem, except for a universal cure, is a method of detecting the presence of cancer before there are any clinical signs of symptoms.”

- *Sidney Farber, letter to Etta Rosensohn, November 1962 -
(The Emperor of All Maladies, Siddhartha Mukherjee)*



Sidney Farber (1903-1973)

Paediatric pathologist and
“father” of modern
chemotherapy.



Everyday moments at diagnosis



Celebrating being a cancer nurse

- ▶ There is recognition of the nurses role in improving the experience of patients with cancer:
- ▶ National Cancer Patient Experience Survey (Quality Health, 2016) reports that a CNS working with the patient to support them, is the factor **most likely** to be associated with high patient satisfaction.
- ▶ Independent Cancer Taskforce Achieving World Class Outcomes Strategy Document for 2015 – 2020, also recommends patients having access to a **CNS or other key worker to help coordinate** their care
- ▶ Being a cancer nurse is about assessing cancer patients needs and providing care. Forming caring relationships with people with cancer is central to performing those roles and requires a set of skills, based on expert knowledge and experience.



Greetings from EONS

- The European Oncology Nursing Society was established in 1984 and is a pan-European organisation dedicated to the support and development of cancer nurses.
- Through our individual members and national societies we engage in projects to help nurses develop their skills, network with each other and raise the profile of cancer nursing across Europe.
- EONS is an independent, not-for-profit, voluntary organisation registered as a charity (UK number 802484).



CARE Strategy

The CARE strategy is based on:

- Communication
- Advocacy
- Research
- Education

The CARE strategy provides the Board with a framework within which activities can be developed that will deliver benefit to members. By these means CARE ensures that our mission is delivered



Board: 2015-2017



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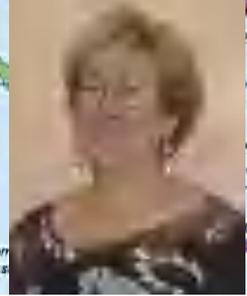
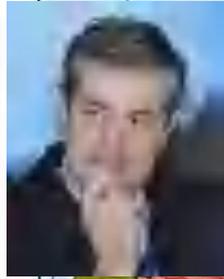


Dr Rebecca Verity: **E**ducation





Mary Wells , Daniel Kelly
 & Theresa Wiseman: UK
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What do we offer?

Established European and global network of cancer nurses.

Support & awards (research, research travel award, education bursaries, PhD Workshops, EONS/TCT leadership workshops, Masterclasses, congresses, translation grants).

National society representation

Covers Europe from Ireland to Palestine.









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Members

The largest part of the membership of EONS comes from approximately 20,000 nurses across Europe who are part of their national cancer nursing society.



Current activity

ECCO has adopted 'The recognition of cancer nursing across Europe.'

3 year project will explore the current situation and make recommendations for how to achieve this goal.

In some countries Advanced Practitioners are registered, in others nursing itself is under-developed. **Patient safety is key.**



A 'safe' workplace?

A 'safe' organisational culture is an **informed** one.

Safe work spaces are alert and know where the safety edge is- others may ignore or over-rule critical information (a type of deaf effect or avoidant leadership).

Failure takes time, is incubated and routine failures can grow to catastrophic levels (either as events or deviant cultures)



Organizations: silent or deaf? The case of Mid Staffs.

**Tom Baker (QC Francis Inquiry):
Over 500 reports of concerns from nurses unheeded. Amounted to “a cry from staff who appear to be being ignored”**



Speaking in 2009 Alan Johnson (then Health Secretary) said he was “amazed that nurses and doctors failed to blow the whistle on poor practice” & “stayed silent”.



Staff nurse Helene Donnelly and others repeatedly raised concerns about care.



Follow up work

Interview study with 40 Executive Nurse Directors across England & Wales – focus on leadership/resilience in wake of Francis report, dealing with “bad news” and staff concerns.

These are the individuals who manage concerns at board level- this role requires strategy & resilience to promote (traditional constructions of) patient safety.



Patient safety: One study from Europe

Swiss survey in 9 hospitals (1013 staff)

54% recognised colleagues made potentially harmful errors at least 'sometimes.'

43% see violations of safety rules at least 'sometimes' (4% frequently)

Safety concerns reported more often by nurses (vs physicians)

More often by staff without a management function

More often by staff on inpatient wards vs ambulatory settings.

Schwappach & Gerring (2015) Frequency of and predictors for withholding patient safety concerns among oncology staff: a survey study EJCC, 395-40.



A new reality: patient's own safety

16% had experienced an error

56% were somewhat/very concerned about errors

77% felt that they could speak up, and that patients had role to play in safety

Staff were perceived as being very committed to preventing errors.

Schwappach & Gerring (2015)



Other aspects of patient safety also exist in cancer care

Emotional safety

Spiritual safety

Relational safety

Financial safety

Embodied safety

Information safety

Living with uncertain prognosis 'safely'



Helping people to live and helping people to die

Nursing people with cancer makes a huge difference to patients' lives, so celebrate your role as a cancer nurse here in Germany!

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Thank you and enjoy your
congress

One final word re EONS...



EONS 10: Dublin, 17-18 October 2016

The European Oncology Nursing Society presents:
EONS 10 AUTUMN CONVENTION

Psycho-Oncology
Dublin, Ireland

17-18 October
2016

 Two days of specialist cancer nursing educational workshops, scientific news, and networking opportunities at the Dublin Aviva stadium. For more information visit www.cancerwise.eu

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