**Position Title: CANO/ACIO – Director-at-Large: External Relations**

Position Type: Volunteer, Board member, position for a 3 year term, renewable once

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Association:
The Canadian Association of Nurses in Oncology (CANO/ACIO) is a national organization established in 1984 to support the efforts of Canadian nurses in promoting and developing excellence in oncology nursing practice, education, research, and administration.

CANO/ACIO’s mission is “to advance oncology nursing excellence through practice, education, research and leadership for the benefit of all Canadians.”

CANO/ACIO’s vision is that “CANO/ACIO is a driving force nationally and an influencing force internationally in advancing excellence in cancer nursing across the cancer control spectrum. Canadians across the cancer spectrum have timely access to high-quality nursing.”

**Position Description:**
The DAL-External relations works collaboratively with external partners to promote the expertise of CANO/ACIO and ensure participation of oncology nursing experts within different national and international forums to influence oncology nursing practices and patient care.

**Reporting Relationship:** The DAL- External relations reports to the Board of Directors.

**Responsibilities:**
- Responsible for addressing questions/concerns related to external stakeholders
- Liaison for external organizations
- Official CANO/ACIO representative and voting delegate at CNA’s annual meeting, especially for the Associations/affiliated/emerging group committee
- Official CANO/ACIO representative for CNA specialty working groups
- Official liaison for Canadian Nursing Students’ Association
- Builds partnerships with key external stakeholders relevant to strategic plan
- Identify oncology nurse experts across Canada who could represent CANO within different forums or as expert consultants
- Public relations and promotion of the oncology nursing image
- Responsible for ensuring content related to external relations on the web site is current and accurate
Qualifications:

- CANO/ACIO member in good standing for the previous two years with oncology experience
- Knowledgeable about CANO/ACIO
- Possess excellent decision making, critical thinking and communication skills
- Preference will be given to a bilingual candidate
- The CANO/ACIO Director-at-Large External is a Registered Nurse
- Demonstrated leadership ability