Position Title: CANO/ACIO – Director-at-Large: Research

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 Director at Large - Research (DAL-Research) sits on the Board of Directors of CANO/ACIO for a 3-year term. The role of the DAL-Research is to ensure CANO/ACIO has a strong oncology nursing research presence in Canada and to facilitate research capacity building, evaluation and knowledge translation efforts for the Association. This role will support a broad range of research activities, such as promoting the use of evidence in practice, knowledge translation activities, and formal research initiatives.

Reporting Relationship: The DAL-Research reports to the Board of Directors.

Responsibilities:
- Oversees the creation of a work plan focused on research and research capacity building activities that aligns with the strategic plan of the CANO/ACIO Board.
- Provides active support and leadership to special Board initiatives that require an evaluation plan and/or knowledge translation strategy.
- Actively seeks out and helps establish synergistic oncology research partnerships among members and with like organizations, as well as potential funding sources.
- Provides leadership to the yearly Research Grant review and award process.
- Chairs the Research Committee, providing mentorship for committee members.
- Liaises with the CONJ Associate Editor-Research to promote submission of research manuscripts and research-related updates to CONJ.
• Proposes and implements policy on new and emerging issues related to research, knowledge generation, and knowledge management.
• Participates actively in the Scientific Programming Committee process for the development of annual conference program and ensures alignment with strategic priorities/plan. As needed, based on local availability and capacity, this role may take on the SPC (Co-)Chair role.

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
• Demonstrated leadership ability
• The CANO/ACIO Director-at-Large Research is a Registered Nurse
• Minimum of Masters preparation in Nursing or related Health Science field; PhD preferred
• Demonstrated active involvement in oncology nursing research and related scholarly activity in Canada