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, in particular those with whom CANO has a Memorandum of Understanding
- Recommend MOUs with organizations that align with work from the strategic plan
- Builds partnerships with key external stakeholders relevant to strategic plan
- Official CANO/ACIO representative for Canadian Nurses Association (CNA) specialty working groups and attending monthly CNA Certification online meetings
- Official CANO/ACIO representative and voting delegate at CNA's annual meeting,
- Official liaison for Canadian Nursing Students' Association
- Works with the Board to 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
• Chairs External Relations Committee

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