Dear,

Cancer predominantly affects older adults. Around the world the number of older adults with cancer will increase significantly due to the aging of the world population. Nurses have a crucial role to play in optimizing care for older adults with cancer and those close to them. However, training, resources, and support is often lacking. A framework to inform our approach to address age-related concerns in oncology nursing practice, leadership, education, research, and policy is needed.

The Nursing and Allied Health Interest Group of the International Society of Geriatric Oncology is working in collaboration with the Canadian Association of Nurses in Oncology (CANO/ACIO) Oncology and Aging Special Interest Group and the European Oncology Nursing Society (EONS) to develop an international joint position statement concerning the role of nurses in addressing age-related concerns in cancer care.

With this questionnaire, we are inviting nurses involved in the care of older adults with cancer to join us in this discussion.

The goal is to gather nursing perspectives concerning the role of nurses in addressing age-related concerns in oncology practice, research, leadership, and policy. The insights gained will contribute to the joint position statement and inform next steps for the SIOG Nursing and Allied Health, CANO/ACIO Oncology and Aging Special Interest Group and the European Oncology Nursing Society.

Please complete these questions based on your practice and experience related to the care of older adults with cancer. All thoughts and reflections are welcome!

All responses to the survey are anonymous. The results of this questionnaire will be combined with workshop results and may be used in presentations or publications. If identifying information is included in the answers to any questions, it will be removed in presentation of the findings. The demographic questions at the end of the questionnaire will be used to better understand from whom we have received input and to target future initiatives. For the purposes of the survey, older adults are individuals aged 70 years and over.

We appreciate your help and thank you for your participation. Your participation is completely voluntary. Completion of this survey typically takes less than 15 minutes. Completion of the
survey will indicate your consent to participate in this study. As the survey is anonymous it is not possible to withdraw your responses after you have submitted them.

If you have any questions about this study, please contact Dr. Martine Puts, the principal investigator, at the Lawrence S. Bloomberg Faculty of Nursing, University of Toronto at +1 416-978-6059.

If you have any questions about participating in a study or your rights as study participant, please contact the Research Oversight and Compliance Office - Human Research Ethics Program at ethics.review@utoronto.ca or 416-946-3273

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