Welcome from the SIOP Nursing Network Chair

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

It is with great pleasure that the SIOP Nursing Network Steering Group presents the 2023-2027 Nursing Network Strategic Plan. This plan was shaped by Network members for Network members. It is our hope that this plan will guide the development of year-round engagement to strengthen community.

Ultimately, our aim is for the SIOP Nursing Network to be a community of pediatric oncology nurses and non-nurses representing all regions of the world; where everyone has a place, a voice, and an opportunity to get involved and connected.

We look forward to charting this path together!

Sincerely,

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INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

The International Society of Paediatric Oncology (SIOP) is the multidisciplinary society dedicated to children and adolescents with cancer around the world. Its membership comprises over 2,600 health professionals, researchers, families, and advocates from 130 countries. In 1994, the SIOP Nursing committee was formed following the inaugural nursing meeting at SIOP Paris. Over the years, SIOP’s nursing community has grown, and its annual nursing programme has become a core forum for international networking, knowledge sharing, and collaboration. Moreover, SIOP nurses have advanced the science and care of children and adolescents with cancer and their families in diverse practice settings across the globe.

Recently, SIOP streamlined its nomenclature of committees, networks, and working groups across the Society with the SIOP Nursing Network formally established in October 2021. The Nursing Network is a global community of paediatric oncology nurse members and is also open to non-nurses. To guide our efforts, we established the 2023-2027 SIOP Nursing Network Strategic Plan. This plan aligns with the SIOP 2021-2025 Strategy and sets our vision, mission, core values, and strategic goals for the next five years. Health care and the context in which it is delivered is ever evolving. This plan is intended as a living document, with goals and activities that are adaptable to the priorities and needs of the Society and Nursing Network members.

STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT TIMELINE

**Feb 2022:** Input from listening sessions with SIOP members and non-members

**Jan-Apr 2022:** Discussions with past and present SIOP Nursing Steering Group members, Global Health Network Nursing Working Group co-chairs, and Baseline Standards Taskforce members

**May-Jun 2022:** Feedback from Nursing Network members on the preliminary plan

**Aug 2022:** Approval by the Nursing Network Steering Group
We aspire toward a world where all children and adolescents with cancer have access to and receive specialized nursing care. To achieve this vision, we are committed to the mission of advancing the quality of nursing care of children and adolescents with cancer and their families across the care continuum. As we journey together, our core values keep us grounded, reminding us of who we are and how we operate as a network. These values serve as guideposts to keep us on track, ensuring we continually foster global community, interprofessional collaboration, clinical excellence, and opportunities for shared learning.

VISION

All children/adolescents with cancer and their families have access to specialised nursing care.

MISSION

To advance the quality of nursing care of children/adolescents with cancer and their families through global collaboration, education, training, research, and advocacy.

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CORE VALUES

- **Global COMMUNITY:** We are a global community of nurses from diverse backgrounds, cultures, languages, and countries who share a passion in our care for children/adolescents with cancer and their families. Each member has a unique place and voice in our community.

- **Interprofessional COLLABORATION:** We foster international nursing and inter-professional collaborations. We value the coming together of diverse expertise, experiences, and perspectives to advance paediatric oncology nursing globally.

- **Clinical EXCELLENCE:** We are setting the standard for clinical excellence in paediatric oncology nursing practice globally.

- **Shared LEARNING:** We learn from and listen to one another, as our unique perspectives and experiences benefit all. As a network, we promote shared learning opportunities through ongoing professional development, scholarly dissemination, and mentorship.
STRATEGIC GOALS

GOAL 1: Advocate Globally for Children and Adolescents with Cancer and the Nurses who Care for Them

To meet this goal, the SIOP Nursing Network will:

- Launch advocacy campaigns to promote awareness of childhood and adolescent cancer nursing
- Promote global dissemination of the SIOP Baseline Nursing Standards
- Facilitate SIOP nurse participation in the WHO Global Initiative for Childhood Cancer and integration in SIOP’s WHO workplan

GOAL 2: Promote Clinical Excellence and Nursing Research to Improve Patient Outcomes

To meet this goal, the SIOP Nursing Network will:

- Support the development and implementation of nursing standards and best practices in diverse clinical settings
- Provide mentorship opportunities in research, evidence-based practice, quality improvement, and education
- Foster and promote opportunities for nursing research through scholarships and grants

GOAL 3: Facilitate Nursing Education and Training

To meet this goal, the SIOP Nursing Network will:

- Disseminate paediatric oncology nursing knowledge at the annual SIOP Nursing Congress Programme and Education Day
- Advance paediatric oncology nursing expertise through ongoing professional development and shared learning opportunities, including in multiple languages and through the SIOP Knowledge Centre
GOAL 4: Increase Nursing Membership and Engagement

To meet this goal, the SIOP Nursing Network will:

- Provide engagement opportunities including the development of Nursing Network working groups to foster an active year-round SIOP nursing community
- Develop a communication process for nurses engaged in key SIOP committees, networks, and initiatives/projects
- Recognize exceptional nurses through scholarships and awards
- Promote and expand membership benefits to nurses internationally
- Leverage the experience and expertise of former SIOP nurse leaders by creating opportunities for continued involvement

GOAL 5: Strengthen and Expand Strategic Partnerships

To meet this goal, the SIOP Nursing Network will:

- Appoint nurse representatives to key SIOP committees, networks, and initiatives/projects when invited to do so and in accordance with said party’s terms of references
- Strengthen collaborations and engagement with the 6 SIOP continental branches and regional nurse leaders
- Facilitate childhood cancer nursing and interprofessional research collaborations
- Explore opportunities for collaboration with key stakeholder organizations, such as nursing associations, patient and family advocacy organizations, foundations, and healthcare organizations

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SIOP continues to be at the forefront of education and research in paediatric oncology.

SIOP has over 2,600 members worldwide and its Annual Congress is typically attended by 3,000+ healthcare professionals from 110+ countries.

Join our SIOP Community now and help raise awareness for children and adolescents with cancer.

**MEMBER BENEFITS:**

- **Reduced registration fees** for the [SIOP Annual Congress](http://www.siop-online.org/membership), which includes CME- and CNE-accredited sessions
- **Free subscription** to the [European Journal of Oncology Nursing](http://www.siop-online.org/membership) or the [Pediatric Blood and Cancer Journal](http://www.siop-online.org/membership)
- **Free access** to regular e-newsletters, online forums, advocacy initiatives, events and webinars on pediatric oncology
- **Free access** to our [Online Webcast Library](http://www.siop-online.org/membership) with CME-accredited learning modules and scientific sessions from past Congresses
- **Eligibility for SIOP Scholarships and Awards**
- **Free access to other SIOP programs and activities**, including membership and participation in SIOP Continental Branches, Global Health Network, Young SIOP Network, Pediatric Psycho-Oncology Network, Supportive Care Network, Nursing Network and Nutrition Network and the SOSIDO Network (email digests of recent publications on pediatric oncology)
  - Free access to networking and professional development opportunities online and in person at the Annual Congresses
  - Opportunities to learn from and exchange knowledge with other paediatric oncology professionals from around the world
  - Opportunities to organize and convene meetings and special interest groups under the auspices of SIOP
- **Eligibility to run for and vote for SIOP Leadership Positions**, (e.g. President, Secretary General, Treasurer, Continental Branch President)

No child should die of cancer: cure for more, care for all
Established in 1969, the International Society for Paediatric Oncology (SIOP) is the only global multidisciplinary Society entirely devoted to paediatric and adolescent cancers. With a steadily growing membership, SIOP currently unites over 2,600 healthcare professionals and researchers working with paediatric patients worldwide. The community shares a strong common purpose: to increase survival rates, to improve quality of survival and to ensure care for all.