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Mooney Appointed to National Cancer Institute's Board of Scientific Advisors



Oncology Nursing Society (ONS) member Kathi H. Mooney, RN, PhD, AOCN®, FAAN, a professor in the College of Nursing at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City, has been appointed to a five-year term on the National Cancer Institute's (NCI's) Board of Scientific Advisors (BSA). NCI Director Andrew C. von Eschenbach, MD, appointed Mooney to the position.

As a BSA member, Mooney will advise the NCI director and deputy director for extramural science and the director of each NCI division on a variety of matters concerning scientific program policy and progress and future direction of extramural research programs. This includes evaluation of NCI-awarded grants, cooperative agreements, and contracts as well as concept review of activities that the BSA considers to be meritorious and consistent with NCI's programs.

Mooney holds the Louis S. Peery, MD, and Janet B. Peery Presidential Endowed Chair in Nursing Research at the University of Utah. Her research focuses on the behavioral aspects of cancer, including cancer communication and cancer symptom management.

Within ONS, Mooney has served on the ONS Board of Directors, including a term as president from 1996–1997, the Nominating Committee, and various research committees.

Sampl Named 2006 Hematology/Oncology Nurse of the Year



The National Capital Area Chapter of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society has named ONS member Katharina Sampl, RN, NP, as the 2006 Hematology/Oncology Nurse of the Year. The Leukemia

and Lymphoma Society presents the annual award to recognize a professional oncology

nurse for exemplary practice and experience in caring for patients with blood cancers.

"Katherina epitomizes our mission," said Executive Director Donna McKelvey. "We are so grateful for her compassionate care of patients and her commitment to improving the quality of life of patients and their families."

Sampl, a nurse practitioner at Arlington-Fairfax Hematology-Oncology, PC, is a member of ONS's Washington, DC, Chapter. Her future goals include achieving advanced certification as well as developing a comprehensive cancer support program at Virginia Hospital Center that includes psychosocial support, nutrition and exercise classes, physical and occupational therapy, and general wellness.

"To be nominated for the Nurse of the Year award is an incredible honor," said Sampl. "Knowing I have made a lasting impression, even on just one patient, makes me realize that I have already achieved the most precious reward a nurse could ever have."

Runner-up for the award was ONS member Donna Eichna, MSN, RN, CS, OCN®, of Inova Fairfax Hospital, and finalists were ONS members Amy Casiano, RN, BSN, OCN®, of Associates in Oncology/Hematology, Suzanne Bayer, RN, BSN, of Hematology Associates of Northern Virginia, EunSook Wang, RN, BSN, OCN®, of the Veterans Affairs Medical Center, and Dorothy Divers, RN, BSN, MA, of Inova Alexandria Hospital.

ONS Members Receive 2005 American Journal of Nursing Book of the Year Awards

Several ONS members have been honored in the 2005 *American Journal of Nursing (AJN)* Book of the Year Awards. *AJN* distributes the awards to highlight the best in nursing publications, with a panel of judges with expertise in each category's topic area selecting the recipients.



This marks the first time that a book pub-

lished by ONS has won the prestigious award.


"I am truly humbled and honored to receive the 2005 *AJN* Book of the Year Award," said Gullatte. "The textbook is a reflection of teamwork, collaboration, and commitment to the profession of nursing and the patients we serve, from all of the contributing authors and the ONS Publishing Division staff and leadership." Gullatte is the director of nursing for Inpatient Oncology and Transplant Services and the Oncology Data Center for the Winship Cancer Institute and Emory Hospitals in Atlanta, GA.

Nursing Management: Principles and Practice provides an in-depth review of general and oncology nursing management principles, such as leadership, economics and budgets, interviews, education, legal issues, funding, and health policy and advocacy. It includes practice tips, guidelines, and real-world examples of management tools.



Kim K. Kuebler, MN, RN, APRN-BC, a regional medical scientist for Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals who lives in Savannah, GA, and her coauthors, Mellar P. Davis, MD, and Crystal Dea Moore,

received second place for *Palliative Practices: An Interdisciplinary Approach* (Elsevier) in the Advanced Clinical Practice category. This is Kuebler's second *AJN* award. Her first award was in 2003 for *End-of-Life Care: Clinical Practice Guidelines* (Saunders), co-authored by Kuebler and ONS members Patricia H. Berry, PhD, APRN, BC, CHPN, and Debra E. Heidrich, MSN, RN, CHPN, AOCN®, which was awarded first place in the Advanced Clinical Practice category.

Other ONS members who received 2005 awards are Roberta Kaplow, RN, PhD, AOCNS, CCRN, who coedited *Synergy for Clinical Excellence: The AACN Synergy Model for Patient Care* (Jones and Bartlett), which was awarded Book of the Year in the Critical Care Nursing category, and Vivian Gedaly-Duff, DNSc, RN, who coauthored *Family Health Care Nursing: Theory, Practice and Research* (3rd ed., Davis), which was awarded third place in the Maternal-Child Nursing and Childbirth category. 

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