

**NAME** Catherine Johnson

## **NURSING EDUCATION HISTORY**

- 1994 NSW Oncological Nursing Course No' 28  
NSW College of Nursing, Glebe
- 1993 Palliative Care- the Nursing Challenge.  
Royal College of Nursing, Melbourne.
- 1992 Bachelor of Nursing (Conversion).  
University of New England, Armidale.
- 1989 Diploma of Applied Science (Nursing).  
University of Newcastle, Newcastle.

**Current Position** Gastrointestinal Cancer Care Coordinator (CNC)  
and  
Clinical Research Nurse (CNS)  
Medical Oncology Department  
Newcastle Mater Misericordiae Hospital  
Waratah, NSW 2310  
June 1997- Present

## **Past Professional Experience**

<b>Duration of Service</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Place of Employment</b>
August 2004 – March 2005	<i>Implementation Officer Medical Oncology "Perfecting Health Care Delivery" Program</i>	Newcastle Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Waratah, NSW, 2298
July 2003- January 2004	<i>Project Coordinator Combined Modality Treatment Oncology/ Radiotherapy, NMMH</i>	Newcastle Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Waratah, NSW, 2298
August 1995 -December 1999.	<i>External Tutor Chemotherapy Nursing Practice, Distance Education Package</i>	NSW College of Nursing, Glebe, NSW, 2037.
21-November 1994-June 1997	<i>Clinical Nurse Specialist Medical Oncology Department Oncology Ward and Outpatients Chemotherapy Suite</i>	Newcastle Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Waratah, NSW, 2298
February 1996 – August 1996.	<i>Clinical Nurse Educator (Medical Oncology Department)</i>	Newcastle Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Waratah, NSW, 2298
12 July 1992- 20 November 1994.	<i>Clinical Nurse Specialist Chemotherapy Team</i>	Medical Oncology Unit. Royal Prince Alfred Hospital Camperdown, NSW, 2050
12 February 1991-10 July 1992	<i>Registered Nurse Medical Oncology Ward</i>	Prince of Wales Hospital, Randwick, NSW, 2034.
January 1990- January 1991	<i>Registered Nurse New Graduate Program</i>	Royal North Shore Hospital St. Leonards, NSW, 2065

## **Current Research Activities**

Clinical Trials Knowledge and Skills: A study of Cancer Clinical Research Nurses in Australia (Investigators: Catherine Johnson, Kathleen Scott, Kate White)

## Completed Research Activities

2009 An Evaluation of the Clinical Trials Knowledge and Skills Requirements of Cancer Clinical Research Nurses in NSW: A Pilot Survey. (Investigators: Catherine Johnson, Kathleen Scott, Kate White)

## Publications

Chapter in Book,  
*Chapter 54.*

Johnson Catherine, Scott Kathleen, **Australia**, *Manual for Clinical Trials Nursing* (Second edition) Oncology Nursing Press Inc, USA, 369 - 376 2008

## Conference Publications

2010 CNSA Winter Congress (submitted for Presentation)

**Bringing Together Knowledge and Practice in Clinical Trials: A Study of Cancer Clinical Research Nurses in Australia**

K.Scott<sup>1</sup>, K. White<sup>1</sup>, C. Johnson<sup>2</sup> <sup>1</sup>Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, University of Sydney, Sydney, NSW, Australia <sup>2</sup>Calvary Mater Hospital, Newcastle, NSW, Australia

2010 International Society of Nurses in Cancer (Presentation)

**Bringing Together Knowledge and Practice in Clinical Trials: A Study of Cancer Clinical Research Nurses in Australia**

Scott<sup>1</sup>, K. White<sup>1</sup>, C. Johnson<sup>2</sup> <sup>1</sup>Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, University of Sydney, Sydney, NSW, Australia <sup>2</sup>Calvary Mater Hospital, Newcastle, NSW, Australia

2009 COSA Annual Scientific Meeting (presentation- nominated for the Best of the Best)

**Bringing Together Knowledge and Practice in Clinical Trials: A Study of Cancer Clinical Research Nurses in Australia**

Scott<sup>1</sup>, K. White<sup>1</sup>, C. Johnson<sup>2</sup> <sup>1</sup> Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, University of Sydney, Camperdown, NSW, Australia <sup>2</sup> Medical Oncology, Calvary Mater Hospital, Newcastle, NSW, Australia

2009 CNSA Winter Congress (Presentation)

**Evolution of the Clinical Research Nurse** K. Scott<sup>1</sup>, K.White<sup>1</sup>, C Johnson<sup>2</sup> <sup>1</sup>University of Sydney, <sup>2</sup>Calvary Mater Hospital, Newcastle

2009 CNSA Winter Congress (Presentation)

**Quality of Informed Consent in Clinical Trials** C.Johnson, K. Adler, S. Brew, I. Howitt, D. Johnson, A. Leonard –England, S. Napier, E. Vitullo, G. Walker

2008 COSA Annual Scientific Meeting (presentation- nominated for the Best of the Best)

**Time Is Money! Accurate Budgeting For Cancer Clinical Trials.** K. Adler, C. Johnson, I. Howitt, G. Walker, E. Vitullo, D. Johnson, S. Brew, A. Leonard-England

2008 COSA Annual Scientific Meeting (poster)

**Readability and Comprehension of Medical Oncology Clinical Trial Information and Consent forms.** C. Johnson, K. Adler, S. Brew, I. Howitt, D. Johnson, G. Walker, E. Vitullo, V. Clarke, A. Leonard-England

2007 CNSA Winter Congress (poster)

**Improving clinical trial processes benefits all.** Kim Adler, Catherine Johnson, Ian Howitt, Sue Brew, Erica Vitullo, Deanne Johnson, Kathrine Hartley, Vicki Clarke, Alison Leonard-England. Department of Medical Oncology, Calvary Mater Newcastle.

2004 International Society of Nurses in Cancer Care (poster)

**Hunter CNSA Launches Clinical Supervision** C. Johnson, K. Adler, Hunter CNSA Regional Group, Newcastle, NSW, 2300.

2003 COSA Annual Scientific Meeting (poster)

**Mission Impossible: Perfecting Healthcare Delivery.** C. Johnson<sup>1</sup>, D. Bellamy<sup>1</sup>, S. Ackland<sup>2</sup>, C. Hamilton<sup>3</sup>. Oncology Outpatient Department<sup>1</sup>, Department of Medical Oncology<sup>2</sup>, Department of Radiation Oncology<sup>3</sup>, Newcastle Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Waratah, NSW, 2298.

2003 Proceedings, American Association Cancer Research (poster)

**Predicting 5FU pharmacodynamics using pretreatment plasma uracil/dihydrouracil ratio and blood cell telomere length.** Ackland, S. P., Garg, M. B., Adler, K., Johnson, C., and Sakoff, J. A.. Proc.Am.Assoc.Cancer Res. 44, 142

2003 Presented at MOG meeting, Canberra. 2003. (presentation)

**Using pretreatment plasma uracil/dihydrouracil ratio and blood cell telomere length to predict 5FU pharmacodynamics** Garg, M. B., Johnson, C., Adler, K., Sakoff, J. A., and Ackland, S. P..

2002 CNSA Winter Congress (poster)

**Improving Care for Patients with Venous Access Devices.** C. Johnson<sup>1</sup>, D. Cook<sup>1</sup>, D. Bellamy<sup>2</sup>, A. Booth<sup>3</sup>, R. Keath, J<sup>1</sup>, Upton<sup>1</sup>, Department of medical Oncology<sup>1</sup>, Oncology Outpatients<sup>2</sup>, Department of Haematology<sup>3</sup>, Newcastle Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Waratah, NSW 2298.

2000 COSA Annual Scientific Meeting (poster)

**Incidence of Docetaxel Related Hypersensitivity Reactions in Combination Treatment.** T. Wilson, S. Brew, V. Clarke, C. Johnson, K. Hall, A. Bonaventura, S. Ackland, J. Stewart. Medical Oncology Department, Newcastle Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Waratah, NSW, 2298.

2000 COSA Annual Scientific Meeting (poster)

**Maximising communication in clinical research.** C. Johnson, K. Hall, V. Clarke, S. Brew, T. Wilson, S. Ackland, J. Stewart, A. Bonaventura. Medical Oncology Department, Newcastle Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Waratah, NSW, 2298.

2000 ISNCC 11<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Cancer Nursing Care. (poster)

**Mentors: the key to success.** C. Johnson <sup>1</sup>, J Fernie <sup>2</sup>. Department of Medical Oncology, Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Waratah <sup>1</sup>. Oncology Centre, Lingard Private Hospital, Merewether <sup>2</sup>.Australia.

2000 COSA Annual Scientific Meeting (presentation)

**Tissue Injury Following the Extravasation of Liposomal Doxorubicin.** C. Johnson<sup>1</sup>, A. Casinader<sup>2</sup>, A. Bonaventura<sup>1</sup>. Department of Medical Oncology<sup>1</sup> and Pharmacy<sup>2</sup>, Newcastle Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Waratah, NSW, 2298.

2000 CNSA Winter Congress (presentation)

**Exploring the Role of the Clinical Research Nurse in Contemporary Cancer Care.** C. Johnson<sup>1</sup>, K. Hall<sup>1</sup>, & A. Childs<sup>2</sup> Department of Medical Oncology, Newcastle Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Waratah, NSW, 2298<sup>1</sup>, Sydney Cancer Centre, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Camperdown, NSW, 2050<sup>2</sup>.

1999 COSA Annual Scientific Meeting (presentation)

**Combined Modality Clinics as a Tool for Improving Patient Recruitment to Clinical Trials.** C. Johnson<sup>1</sup>, S. Ackland<sup>1</sup>, J. Denham<sup>2</sup>, J. Gillies<sup>3</sup>, Departments of Medical Oncology<sup>1</sup>, Radiation Oncology<sup>2</sup> and Surgery<sup>3</sup>, Newcastle Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Waratah, NSW, 2298.

1999 CNSA Winter Congress (poster)

**Mentors: the key to success.** C. Johnson <sup>1</sup>, J Fernie <sup>2</sup>. Department of Medical Oncology, Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Waratah <sup>1</sup>. Oncology Centre, Lingard Private Hospital, Merewether <sup>2</sup>.Australia.

1999 COSA Annual Scientific Meeting (poster)

**Creating a Model for Clinical Research Practice.** C. Johnson, K. Hall, V. Clarke, S. Brew, K. Parsons, T. Wilson. Medical Oncology Department, Newcastle Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Waratah, NSW, 2298.

1998 COSA Annual Scientific Meeting (poster)

**Nursing Implications for the Patient receiving Irinotecan Hydrochloride (CPT- 11)- A Single Institution Perspective.** C. Johnson, K. Jardim-Surman, D. Dingle. Medical Oncology Department, Newcastle Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Waratah, NSW, 2298.

1997 Proceedings, American Association Cancer Research (poster)

Garg, M., Sakoff, J., Johnson, C., Stewart, J. and Ackland, S. (1998). **Within and between days variation in plasma levels (Cp) of dihydrofluorouracil (FUH2) and 5-fluorouracil (5FU) during continuous infusion (CI).** *Proc. Am. Ass. Cancer Res.* **39:187**

1992 COSA Annual Scientific Meeting (poster)

**Port a Cath Management study.** Dr. J Grygiel, E. McNeil, K. Cox, A. Childs & C. Johnson, Medical Oncology Department, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Camperdown, NSW 2050.

### **Membership of Professional Organisations.**

- Cancer Nurses Society of Australia, since 1998.
- Clinical Oncological Society of Australia, since 1991.
- Oncology Nursing Society, USA, since 1991
- NSW Nurses Association, since 1990.

### **Professional Activities**

#### **International**

- Team Leader- 13th International Conference on Cancer Nursing 2004, Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre, Australia

#### **National**

- Planning and Development Committee: CNSA Winter Congress Perth 2010
- CNSA National Executive Treasurer, Jan 2008 – Dec 2009
- CNSA National Executive Deputy Chairperson, Jan 2006 – Dec 2009
- Planning and Development Committee: CNSA Winter Congress Newcastle 2009
- Planning and Development Committee: CNSA Winter Congress, Gold Coast 2008
- Editor, National CNSA Newsletter, 2004- 2006.
- Committee Member- CNSA Winter Congress 2002, Homebush, Sydney, 2002- 2003.
- Working Party Member- Review of CNSA Memorandum and Articles, 2002.
- Corresponding Member CNSA Chemotherapy Nursing Practice Guidelines Project. 1999- 2001.
- Chairperson- 1998 Inaugural CNSA Winter Congress, Brighton Le Sands, Sydney, NSW. 1998.
- Member - NSW COSA Nurses Representative. Steering Committee CNSA. 1996 –1999.

#### **State**

- University of Sydney Clinical Trials Advisory Board. Mar- 2009 -
- Cancer Council, NSW, Members Assembly Member – 2007 -
- Education Coordinator NSW COSA Nurses Group. 1996 -1998

#### **Regional**

- Hunter New England Human Research Ethics Clinical Trials Sub Committee, Jan 2006 -.
- Treasurer, Hunter CNSA Regional Group. 2005 - 2006

- Committee member, Hunter CNSA Regional Group. 2001 – 2004.
- Chairperson, Hunter CNSA Regional Group. 2000 - 2001

**Local**

- Working Party Member, Patient education & chemotherapy at the NMMH. February 2001- 2003
- Working Party Member, Management of PICC's and CVAD's at NMMH. October 2001- 2003
- Committee member, Internet/ Intranet working party. NMMH. July 2000- May 2001.
- Chairperson, Medical Oncology Quality Management Committee. July 2000- 2005.
- Member, Medical Oncology Quality Management Committee. NMMH. August 1997- June 2000.
- Member, Clinical Nurse Specialist Review Committee. NMMH. 1996 –1997.