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SECRETARY/TREASURER (ONE CANDIDATE)

Catherine Jonson

Qualifications/Credentials: RN, Bsc

Current Position: Medical Oncology Clinical Nurse Consultant, Calvary Mater Newcastle, NSW Australia

Brief Description of Current Role

The Oncology Clinical Nurse Consultant (CNC) provides expert clinical advice and consultancy to patients, carers and health care professionals within cancer services. The CNC develops, facilitates implementation and evaluates care management plans for patients with complex health needs. The CNC provides leadership to facilitate the ongoing development of clinical practice and initiates and utilises findings of research in the provision of clinical services. The CNC contributes to development and delivery of specialty education programs and participates in strategic and operational planning.

Details of Selected and Applicable Positions Held or Awards Gained:

Catherine is a past board member (2010 - 2014) and has contributed to numerous ISNCC committees since 2014; she has acted as project lead for ISNCC projects in Latin America and Sub-Saharan Africa. Catherine has served on the board of the cancer Nurses Society of Australia and a number of national and regional committees for CNSA and COSA, Australia's peak national body representing health professionals from all disciplines whose work involves the care of cancer patients. Catherine has a good understanding of governance and board roles and responsibilities. 2022-2023 Project Lead ISNCC Breast Aware: A train the trainer programme for nurses in Africa 2010- Ongoing - Committee member: Corporate and Philanthropic Committee, ISNCC 2015- 2020 Project Lead ISNCC Project Leader: ACS and ISNCC Cervical and Breast Cancer Prevention and Screening Train the Trainer Project in Latin America 2010- 2018 Committee member: Member Development and Communications Committee, ISNCC 2010- 2018 Committee member: Communications Committee, ISNCC 2010- 2018 Committee member: Finance and audit Committee, ISNCC 2010- 2016 Committee member: Knowledge Development and dissemination Committee, ISNCC 2010 – 2014 Chair, Member Development and Communications Committee, ISNCC 2010 – 2014 Member, Board of Directors, International Society of Nurses in Cancer Care 2003 -2004 Team Leader- 13th International Conference on Cancer Nursing 2004, Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre, Australia.

Reasons Why the Nominee Is a Good Candidate for the Board of Directors Position:

Catherine has developed an excellent understanding of organisational governance and Board responsibility with a strong desire to ensure the board is efficient, responsive and responsible in achieving the mission of and upholding the values of the ISNCC. Catherine is a registered nurse and both a member of the Cancer Nurses Society of Australia (CNSA) (ISNCC Full Member) and an ISNCC global citizen. Catherine is recognized in the specialty field of cancer nursing through her clinical expertise, publications including in journals and book chapters, competitive grants and national and international contribution of professional cancer and nursing

organisations such as ISNCC, CNSA and Clinical Oncological Society of Australia (COSA). Catherine is a recognised leader in cancer nursing at a regional and national level having served on the CNSA board as both Treasurer and Secretary, CNSA Editorial Board of the Australian Journal of Cancer Nursing, CNSA Constitutional review committees, several COSA working groups and regionally on the Hunter New England Local Health District (HNELHD) Cancer Clinical Network Leadership Committee noting HNELHD is the only district in New South Wales with a major metropolitan centre, a mix of several large regional centres and many smaller rural centres and remote communities within its borders. Catherine is experienced in working on boards and committees at a national and international level, and has extensive experience with ISNCC since 2003 having served on the board, actively involved in ISNCC as a committee member, serving on a variety of committees including the Member Development and Communications Committee, Knowledge Development and Dissemination Committee, Communications Committee, Corporate and the Philanthropic Committee. Catherine is familiar with the roles and structure of key international health, cancer and nursing organizations is willing to work collaboratively with these organizations, she has a good understanding of cancer care challenges globally with particular interest in the challenges faced across low and middle income countries. Catherine is experienced in supporting the sponsorship and fundraising activities of ISNCC through her work on the Corporate and Philanthropic committee and she has contributed to the development and implementation of several successful grant applications. Catherine has worked to raise revenue to support the work of ISNCC through her relationships with corporate sector. Catherine has an excellent understanding of organisational governance and has the capacity to accept the responsibilities outlined in the Board of Directors Role Statement and to oversee the financial and secretarial affairs of the Society. Catherine has English language skills to fully participate in all ISNCC related activities and Board of Directors meetings and has access to sufficient electronic media to engage in ISNCC Board of Directors communication and if she is the successful nominee has the support of her employer to undertake the role, including time availability to attend meetings and carry out ISNCC activities and the duties assigned to the role.

Reasons Why the Nominee Is a Good Candidate for the Board of Directors Position:

I have been a cancer nurse since 1985 and have long experience in both clinical cancer nursing, leadership, teaching, supervision, advocacy work and research. My main focus areas in cancer nursing research are patient safety, communication, leadership, inequalities, cancer prevention and cancer care organization. I have a strong commitment in cancer nursing, with more than 10 years' experience of international work. This includes arranging educational events in central and eastern Europe, leading scientific committees for international congresses and also high level advocacy work (mainly impacting recognition, educational opportunities and occupational safety on EU level).