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Distinguished guests, esteemed colleagues, partners in cancer care, and members of the Oncology Nursing Society of Nigeria,

On behalf of the Executive Council of ONS Nigeria, it is my profound honor to welcome each of you to this year's conference. Whether you have traveled from across Nigeria, from neighboring African nations, or from further afield in the United States and elsewhere, your presence here confirms something we have believed since the day this society was founded: that the fight against cancer grows stronger whenever nurses, physicians, researchers, survivors, and advocates gather under one roof to learn from one another.

This year carries special meaning for us. We mark the second anniversary of ONS Nigeria, a milestone that reminds us how far this society has traveled and how much further we intend to go. What began as a small community of oncology nurses determined to raise the standard of cancer care in our country has grown into a national movement, one that now inducts Fellows into the Academy of Oncology Nursing and stands alongside leading international institutions in shaping the future of our profession.

Over the next three days, our theme, Cancer Care in Action; Uniting Voices, Shaping the Future Together, will come alive in every session. You will hear from clinicians, researchers, survivors, and policy leaders, and you will be challenged to think more rigorously about your practice and to root it more firmly in evidence. We will recognize excellence in our profession, celebrate the lived experience of those who have walked the cancer journey, and confront, with honesty and resolve, the gaps that still stand between Nigerian patients and the care they deserve. By the time we close, a new class of Fellows will join the Academy of Oncology Nursing, and we will gather once more for a gala dinner befitting the second year of this society's service to our patients and our profession.

None of this would be possible without our partners. I want to thank Kano Cancer Treatment Center, Marcelle Ruth Cancer Centre and Specialist Hospital, Lakeshore Cancer Center, AMCE, Lingnel Healthcare Limited, Procaris Sweat, Movement Against Cancer in Africa, Nordica Fertility centre, Brays Hospital, Cancer Care Collaborative, Nurse Edvantage on Call, junicare Global and MASCC for standing with us not only as sponsors but as institutions and organizations doing the daily work of cancer care across this country and beyond.

I am equally grateful to every presenter, panelist, moderator, exhibitor, and volunteer who gave their time to make this gathering possible, and to the secondary school and nursing students joining us for the debate and quiz competitions. The future of oncology care in Nigeria depends on the curiosity we nurture in them today.

To every nurse in this room, I want to say plainly that your work matters. You are often the first to notice when a patient is frightened, among the last to leave a bedside at the end of a difficult shift, and the steady presence that carries a family through a diagnosis that changes everything. This conference exists so that you never have to do that work alone, and so that you leave these three days with new knowledge, new colleagues, and renewed conviction.

Welcome to ONS Nigeria 2026. Let us put cancer care into action, unite our voices across every discipline in this room, and shape the future of this profession together. Thank you, and God bless.

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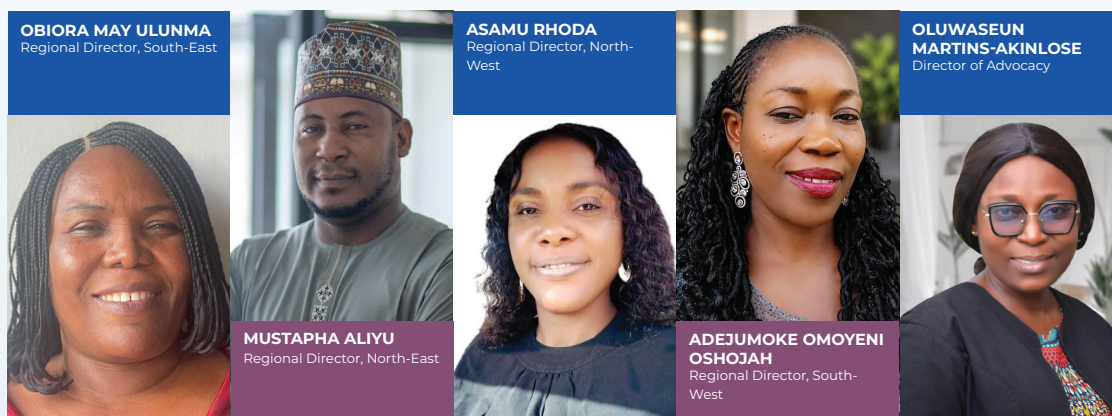
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DAY 1

Time	Topic	Presenters	Room
10:00am - 5:00pm	Arrival and Registration		Main Foyer
10:00am - 11:50am	Conference Welcome, Opening Ceremony, goodwill messages & Awards		Main Hall
11:50am - 12:10pm	The DAISY Award For extraordinary Nurse in Cancer Care		Main Hall
11:50am - 12:10pm	Opening Keynote Address: Designing the future of Cancer care through Innovation and expanded access	Dr Kemi Ogunyemi RN, MSN, DHA Special Adviser on Health to Lagos State Governor	Main Hall
1:00pm - 2:00pm	Lunch, Networking, Exhibition viewing and Games		Banquet Hall & Main Foyer
2:00pm - 2:30pm	Secondary School Debate competition on Oncology: Motion: Cancer Prevention should be prioritized over Cancer treatment		Main Hall
2:30pm - 2:50pm	Commercials: Marcelle Ruth Cancer Centre & Specialist Hospital		Main Hall
2:50pm - 3:30pm	Plenary Session 1: Think Like an Oncology Nurse: Case-Based Management of Chemotherapy Symptoms	Amy Winn MSN, MPH, RN, OCN® Solid Tumor-GI Medical Oncology Nurse at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York, USA	Main Hall
3:30pm - 4:10pm	Plenary Session 2: Optimizing Multidisciplinary Team Collaboration in Cancer Care	Prof. Sunday Adeyemi Adewuyi Senior Consultant, Clinical Radiation Oncologist, AMCE, Abuja	Main Hall
4:10pm - 4:30pm	Special Presentation: Lakeshore Cancer Center		Main Hall
4:30pm - 5:30pm	Panel discussion: Journey toward Cervical Cancer Elimination in Nigeria: Strategies, Challenges and the Path Forward	Dr. Ishak Lawal Consultant Obstetrician and Gynecologist Nurse Agnes Karatu National Coordinator, Nurse-led cervical cancer Screening Project Professor Chizoma Ndikom Professor of Maternal and Child Health Nursing, University of Ibadan Nurse Clara Chinonyere Ntassou Public Health Oncology Nurse Moderator: Professor Anita Mfuh Lukong	Main Hall
5:40 pm	CLOSING & NETWORKING		

DAY 2

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Time	Topic	Presenters	Room
5:30am - 7:00am	Group Exercise and Walk against Cancer		
8:30am - 9:00am	Plenary Session 1: Cancer Genetics for Oncology Nurses: Closing the Knowledge Gap in Clinical Practice	Dr. Oluwabunmi Mercy Adeniji First Director of Nursing Services, Federal Teaching Hospital Ido Ekiti	Main Hall
9:00am - 9:50am	Keynote address 2: From Passion to Practice: How an Oncology Nursing Society Develops Oncology Nurse Leaders	Dr. Margaret Barton-Burke Director of Nursing Research, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York, USA	Main Hall
9:50am - 10:00am	Lifetime Achievement Award		
10:00am - 10:40am	Cancer Survivor Presentation and Interview session: What Helped Me, What Hurt Me: A Breast Cancer Survivor's Message to Healthcare Professionals	Elizabeth Awo-Ejeh & Gloria Chinenye Okwu Breast cancer survivors Moderator: Angel Immanuel	Main Hall
10:40am - 11:10am	Plenary session 2: Innovative approaches to Oncology Nursing Education	Prof. Khadijat Toyin Musah Dean, Faculty of Nursing Sciences, Federal University, Otuoke, Bayelsa	Main Hall
11:10am - 11:20am	Special Presentation: AMCE		Main Hall
11:20am - 11:35am	Special Presentation: NORDICA Fertility Centre		Main Hall
11:35am - 12:10pm	Breakout Interactive Session: Understanding EBP and Research: One Builds on the Other	Dr. Margaret Barton-Burke Director of Nursing Research, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York, USA	Main Hall
	Safe Chemotherapy Handling: Protecting Patients and Healthcare Workers.	Amy Winn MSN, MPH, RN, OCN® · Solid Tumor-GI Medical Oncology Nurse at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York, USA	Banquet Hall Foyer
12:10pm - 1:20pm	Lunch , Networking, exhibition viewing and Games		Banquet Hall & Main Foyer
1:20pm - 2:20pm	Poster Presentations and Networking		Main Hall Foyer
2:20pm - 3:50pm	Oral Abstract Presentations Concurrent Session		Main Hall & Banquet Hall Foyer
3:50pm - 4:30pm	Plenary Session 4: Culturally grounded Nursing Strategies for cervical Cancer Prevention and Care in Nigeria	Prof. Anita Mfuh Lukong Professor of Maternal and Child Health Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria	Main Hall
4:30 PM -5:30 pm	DINNER & CLOSING		

DAY 3

Time	Topic	Presenters	Room
8:30am - 9:00am	MASCC sponsored presentation: Effective Integration of Supportive, Palliative, and Survivorship Care for People With Advanced Cancer	Ethel Olomu Founder and Executive Director of EnGraced Life Foundation (ELF)	Main Hall
9:00am - 9:40am	Closing Keynote: From bedside to the Boardroom: Nurses Taking their seat at the Table	Gloria Chinyere Okwu Founder, Gloria Cancer Foundation Dr Gloria Rowland Chief Nursing Officer, AMCE, Abuja	Main Hall
9:40am - 9:50am	Special Presentation: MACA & Procari Sweat		Main Hall
9:50am - 10:20am	Inter-school quiz competition (Nursing Students)		Main Hall
10:20am - 10:50am	Special Session: Shedding light on fertility preservation in cancer care: Egg banking and emerging onco-fertility strategies	Dr. Sola Abubakar Consultant, Obstetrics and Gynaecologist National Hospital, Abuja	Main Hall
10:50am - 11:30pm	Panel: Multi-disciplinary approach to strengthening cancer care systems.	Dr. Uche Nwokuwu - National Coordinator, NCCP Dr. Oiza Tessa Ahmadu - HOD, Radiation and Clinical Oncology, FMC Jabi Dr. Kehinde Osisanya : Maitama District Hospital, Abuja Gloria Orji - National President, Network of People Impacted by Cancer in Nigeria Ms Cynthia Ikejiani : Nursing Administrator at Lakeshore Cancer Center Prof. Musa Ali-Gombe - Director of Clinical Services, NICRAT Dr. Olufemi Fashola : Public Health Professional Moderator: Mr Chris Chukwunyere City Manager, Abuja City Cancer Challenge	Main Hall
11:30am - 12:00pm	Evidence in Action: Making Guidelines work in Real Oncology Nursing Practice	Dr. Roselyn Ogunkunle Program Director, Lone Star Oncology, Texas, Visiting Professor, Chamberlain University, USA	Main Hall
12:00 PM- 1:20 PM	Lunch , Networking, exhibition viewing and Games		Main Foyer
1:20pm - 1:40pm	Preparation for Induction		
1:40pm - 2:00pm	Induction Procession of Fellows		Main Hall
2:00pm - 2:10pm	Induction Remarks by 2026 Fellowship Class Representative	The Academy of Oncology Nursing™	Main Hall
2:10pm - 2:50pm	Induction Lecture: Oncology nursing Leadership in Africa: Transforming Cancer Care through Vision, Collaboration and Action	Professor Lydia Aziato Vice-Chancellor, University of Health and Allied Sciences, Ho, Ghana	Main Hall
2:50pm - 3:10pm	President's Oncochallenge Quiz competition	The Academy of Oncology Nursing™	Main Hall
3:10pm - 4:00pm	Fellowship Induction and the Presentation of Inductees	Chinomso Nwozichi , ONS Nigeria and Academy President	Main Hall
4:00pm - 6:30pm	Closing and preparation for Dinner		
6:30pm- 10:00pm	Dinner, ONSN 2nd Anniversary and Awards Gala		Main Hall Foyer

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



DR. MARGARET BARTON-BURKE

Director of Nursing Research, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York, USA

Presentation

From Passion to Practice: How an Oncology Nursing Society Develops Oncology Nurse Leaders



DR. KEMI OGUNYEMI
RN, MSN, DHA

Special Adviser on Health to Lagos State Governor

Presentation:

Designing the Future of Cancer Care through Innovation and Expanded Access



DR. GLORIA ROWLAND

Chief Nursing Officer, African Medical Centre of Excellence (AMCE)

Closing Keynote:

From Bedside to Boardroom: Nurses Taking their seat at the Table



FELLOWSHIP INDUCTION KEYNOTE SPEAKER

PROF. LYDIA AZIATO

Vice-Chancellor, The University of Health and Applied Sciences, Ho, Ghana.

Presentation:

Oncology Nursing in Africa: Transforming Cancer Care through Vision, Collaboration, and Action

FEATURED SPEAKERS



PROF. ANITA MFUH LUKONG

Professor of Maternal and Child Health, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria

Presentation:

Culturally Grounded Nursing Strategies for Cervical Cancer Prevention and Care in Nigeria

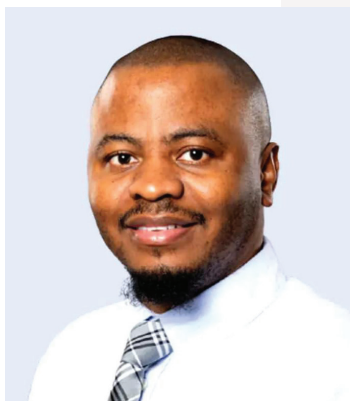


AMY WINN MSN, MPH, RN, OCN®

Solid Tumor-Gastrointestinal Medical Oncology Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center New York, USA.

Presentation:

Think like an Oncology Nurse: Case-based Management of Chemotherapy Symptoms



POWER SESSION SPEAKER

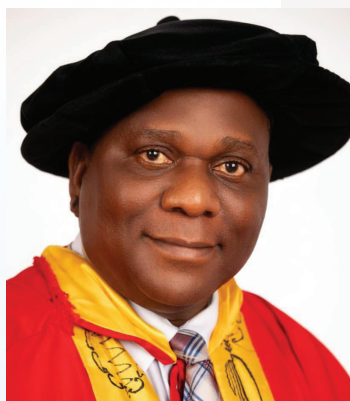
PROF. CHINOMSO NWOZICHI PHD, RN, CMSRN, OCN, FAAN

Kennesaw State University, Wellstar School of Nursing, Georgia, USA

Presentation:

Identifying and Managing Oncologic Emergencies at the Bedside

DISTINGUISHED SPEAKERS



PROFESSOR SUNDAY ADEYEMI ADEWUYI

Senior Consultant, Clinical and Radiation Oncologist at African Medical Center of Excellence, Kabusa Abuja-Nigeria.

Presentation:

Optimizing Multidisciplinary Team Collaboration in Cancer Care



DR. SOLA ABUBAKAR

Consultant Obstetrician & Gynaecologist, National Hospital, Abuja

Presentation:

Shedding Light on Fertility Preservation in Cancer Care: Egg Banking and Emerging Onco-fertility Strategies



PROF. KHADIJAT TOYIN MUSAH

Dean, Faculty of Nursing Science, Federal University, Otuoke Bayelsa, Nigeria

Presentation:

Innovative Approaches to Oncology Nursing Education



DR. ROSELYN OGUNKUNLE
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Presentation:

Evidence in Action: Making Guidelines Work in Real Oncology Nursing Practice



DR. OLUWABUNMI MERCY ADENIJI RN, PHD

Pioneer Director of Nursing Services, Federal Teaching Hospital Ido Ekiti

Presentation:

Cancer Genetics for Oncology Nurses: Closing the Knowledge Gap in Clinical Practice

SURVIVORS SESSION SPEAKERS



ELIZABETH AWO-EJEH

Breast Cancer Survivor

Presentation:
What Helped Me, What Hurt Me: A Breast Cancer Survivor's Message to Healthcare Professionals



GLORIA CHINENYE OKWU

Breast Cancer Survivor

Presentation:
What Helped Me, What Hurt Me: A Breast Cancer Survivor's Message to Healthcare Professionals

PANELISTS



NR. AGNES KARATU

National Coordinator, Nurse-led Cervical Cancer Screening Project

Topic:
Journey Towards Cervical Cancer Elimination in Nigeria: Strategies, Challenges, and the Path Forward



DR. ISHAK LAWAL

Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist

Topic:
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PROF. CHIZOMA NDIKOM

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Topic:
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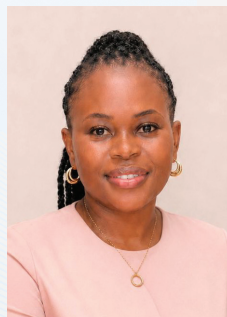
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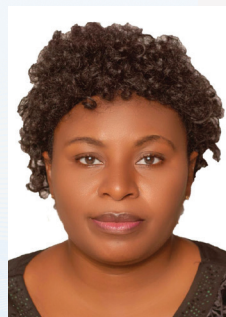
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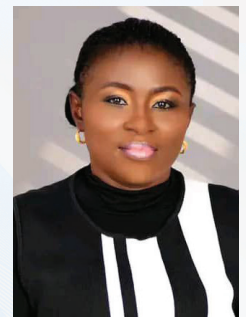
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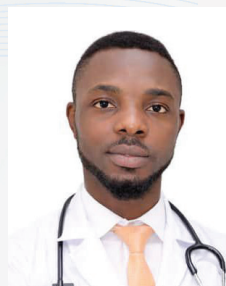
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3.	Clinical Outcomes and Toxicity profile of Adjuvant Tamoxifen Versus Alternative Endocrine Strategies in Male Breast Cancer: An Integrative Review
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