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Purpose of Scholarship: ONS Congress, Conference, Education

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Boston Chapter (BONS)

Oncology Nursing Society

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Dear **Boston Chapter (BONS)**:

I am writing in response to your scholarship application. I am currently a Registered Nurse (RN) at Dana Farber Cancer Institute and have been in this position for the last year and seven (7) months. Over the past year and seven months, I have been involved with the Magnet Committee and have completed a presentation for the Dana Farber Cancer Institute’s Professional Development Series on the COVID pandemic and considerations for the head and neck cancer patient population this past Summer 2021. I have also received my BMT-CN during this timeframe as well. I am currently enrolled as a full-time MSN candidate at Boston College Connell School of Nursing (since September 2021) where I will start as a PhD Fellow/Candidate beginning this Fall, September 2022.

I would love the opportunity to attend the ONS Congress in April in order to network with fellow researchers, educators and scholars. My hope is to present an abstract for the following ONS Congress 2023, as this will be a great platform as I prepare to begin my PhD program and dissertation process due to begin this Fall. Attending this conference will be educational and will allow me gain knowledge in understanding current trends in oncology related to malignancies, symptom management, healthcare disparities as well as policy and education. This participation will further enhance my path for knowledge and will be a great supplement for my professional development as a nurse and researcher. I would love to become an active participant within the BONS chapter as a program committee member and as a presenter on various topics, including policy, education and symptom management of various patient populations within oncology, as well presenting findings from the ONS Congress. I feel that my experience as a nurse and current undertaking with graduate school will be further enhanced through participation with BONS and attendance of the ONS Congress.

***If awarded a BONS scholarship, I agree to serve on the Program Committee in the following year or provide a presentation to the BONS membership.***

I look forward to discussing my application with you. I have enclosed my resume for your review, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Michele Alvarez