

Candidate for Nominating Committee (Vote for two)
Janice S. Withycombe, PhD MN RN CCRP



Current Position

Assistant Professor
Emory University
Atlanta, GA

APHON Membership

APHON member since 2007

Local Chapter Membership

Atlanta Chapter member since 2015

Education

- PhD: Nursing, 2012, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
- MSN: Nursing, 1993, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC
- BSN: Nursing, 1987, Clemson University, Clemson, SC

Qualifications

APHON Local Chapter

- Palmetto Chapter: vice president, 2014–2015

Other Nursing Leadership

- Southern Nursing Research Society conference: abstract presenter
 - Feasibility Study for Evaluating Physical Activity and Fatigue in Pediatric Oncology Patients and Survivors During Camp, 2017
- *Research in Nursing & Health*: publication
 - “Operational Failures in Frontline Nursing,” 2017
- International Society of Pediatric Oncology conference: abstract presenter
 - Evaluation of Reading Level and Children’s Ability to Complete the Pediatric Patient-Reported Outcome Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events (Pediatric PRO-CTCAE), 2016
- Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta: abstract presentation
 - Research Related to Patient/Family Education: The Children’s Oncology Group and Beyond. Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta, 2016
- *Cancer*: publication
 - “Concept Elicitation Phase for the Pediatric Patient-Reported Outcome Version of the Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events (PRO-CTCAE) Measure Development,” 2016

- *Pediatric Psychosocial Oncology: A Textbook of Multidisciplinary Care*: Co-author of chapter, 2016
- *Journal of Pediatric Oncology Nursing*: publications
 - “Processing Information After a Child’s Cancer Diagnosis – How Parents Learn: A Report from the Children’s Oncology Group,” 2016
 - “Patient/Family Education for Newly Diagnosed Pediatric Oncology Patients: Consensus recommendations from a Children’s Oncology Group expert panel,” 2016
 - “A Comprehensive Survey of Institutional Patient/Family Educational Practices for Newly Diagnosed Pediatric Oncology Patients: A Report from the Children’s Oncology Group,” 2016
- *Pediatric Blood and Cancer*: publications
 - “Eliciting the Child’s Voice in Adverse Event Reporting in Oncology Trials: Cognitive Interview Findings from the Pediatric Patient-Reported Outcomes Version of the Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events initiative,” 2016
 - “Use of a Fitness Tracker to Promote Physical Activity in Children with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia,” 2016
 - “Weight Change During Childhood Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia Induction Therapy Predicts Obesity: A Report from the Children’s Oncology Group,” 2015
- Children’s Oncology Group: Nursing Fellowship Award recipient—principal investigator, 2014–2016
- Alex’s Lemonade Stand Foundation: Nursing Research Discovery Grant recipient—principal investigator, 2014–2016
- *Journal of Adolescent and Young Adult Oncology*: publication
 - “Exercise and Fatigue in Adolescent and Young Adult Survivors of Hodgkin Lymphoma: A Report from the Children’s Oncology Group,” 2015
- *Blood*: publication
 - “Factor VIII Gene Variants and Inhibitor Risk in African American Hemophilia A Patients,” 2015
- State of Science Symposium Patient/Family Education in Pediatric Oncology: abstract presenter
 - Patient/Family Educational Practices in the Children’s Oncology Group: A Comprehensive Survey, 2015
- *Nursing Care of Children and Adolescents with Cancer & Blood Disorders* (4th Ed.): Co-author of chapter, 2011

Candidate Statement

Dear APHON membership, my name is Janice Withycombe and I seek your consideration for election to the Nominating Committee. I am an assistant professor at the Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing at Emory University and an active researcher in the Aflac Cancer and Blood Disorders Center at Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta. As an elected member of the Nominating Committee, I would work to solicit and present talented candidates to serve in open leadership positions. During the past 15

years, I have worked with pediatric oncology and hematology patients, families, and nurses to conduct research and improve the lives of those with cancer and other life-changing diseases. Over the years, I have maintained involvement with APHON chapters, including serving as vice president for a local chapter prior to moving to Georgia. I also have been an active member of the Children's Oncology Group since 2002 and have had the privilege to lead an evidence based–practice nursing project from 2012–2015. As the principal investigator for multiple research studies, I am accustomed to working in a collaborative environment to accomplish goals on time and within budget. In these various roles I have developed strong leadership skills. If elected, I would humbly work to uphold APHON's mission. The role of nurses in caring for pediatric hematology/oncology patients and families is critical, and I would be honored to serve in an organization that so beautifully supports nursing practice and nursing excellence.