

## Report on the 40th Annual Conference of the Japanese Society of Cancer Nursing

The 40th Annual Conference of the Japanese Society of Cancer Nursing was held on February 21 and 22, 2026, with Dr. Harue Arao (Professor, Osaka University Graduate School of Medicine, Division of Health Sciences) serving as chairperson.

The theme of this annual conference was “Cancer Nursing Woven Through Science and Art: Inheritance and Development.” The conference provided an opportunity to look back on the science and art of cancer nursing woven over 40 years and to discuss its future development. Over 4,800 participants attended the conference, primarily domestic oncology nurses, educators, and researchers. There were 172 oral presentations and 359 poster presentations.

The International Activities Committee held a symposium regarding sharing the experience of Asian Oncology Nursing Society (AONS) and International Society of Nurses in Cancer Care (ISNCC) in preparation for the AONS and ISNCC Conference on Cancer Nursing 2027, scheduled to be held in Japan in August 2027. Dr. Kazuko Onishi (Invited Professor, Suzuka University of Medical Science), who served as a director of ISNCC and was dedicated to establishing AONS, shared ISNCC's philosophy and the background of AONS's establishment. Dr. Miwako Eto (Certified Nurse Specialist in Cancer Nursing, Belland General Hospital) shared her experience presenting at the International Conference on Cancer Nursing (ICCN). Mr. Kohei Yasukawa (Certified Nurse Specialist in Cancer Nursing, National Cancer Center Hospital) shared his experience presenting at AONS. Post-symposium survey responses indicated that participants felt more familiar with international conferences and were encouraged to consider presenting at international conference. Sixty percent of respondents expressed intent to participate in AONS&ISNCC2027. Many attendees participated, indicating high interest in the 2027 international conference.

