



ISONG Nomination Form Candidate Overview

Name: Lisa B. Aiello

Degrees/Credentials: PhD, MSN, RN, AOCNS

Board Position: Treasurer

Please provide a personal statement of interest (maximum 400 words) for inclusion in the ballot information. You should include comments on the following areas:

- Your involvement in, and service to, ISONG, including any leadership roles
- Background information you want the membership to know about you in relation to your interest/involvement in genetics education, research and practice
- Reasons why you are interested in serving on the ISONG Board.

I first joined ISONG in 2001. I have been involved in multiple capacities throughout these years. I was the Cancer SIG Coordinator, and an active member of the Communications Committee (2015-2016, 2017-present), Education Committee ('15-present) and the Ethics Committee ('16-to present). Annually, I am an abstract reviewer for ISONG conferences. In addition, I make efforts to share ISONG news and educational offerings with colleagues and students to promote ISONG and the opportunities within. I am also an active member of the Oncology Nursing Society, Cancer Genetics SIG/Community. I served as the SIG Coordinator and Virtual Administrator, and I am still involved with the leadership of the SIG. I proposed the inclusion of a genetics/genomics column in the Oncology Nursing Forum and was the associate editor for the newly developed column from 2012 – 2015.

In my professional role as an assistant clinical faculty, I am the course chair of the genetics/genomics course for undergraduate nursing students. I am also the co-track director of the Masters in Clinical Trials Nursing program. I have published and presented both nationally and locally on multiple genetic/genomic topics. At my institution, I am coordinating the efforts to integrate genomics across the curriculum, and to increase genomic knowledge of faculty. I have just completed my doctoral education. My area of research is evaluation of the genomic knowledge of nursing students. I am very committed to increasing the competence of nurses in genetics and genomics. I will be attending the Summer Genetics Institute this June 2018. In my previous clinical role, I was the coordinator of a cancer risk evaluation program in Philadelphia, PA. I provided education and pre- and post-test counseling to patients and their families.

I would like to be a member of the ISONG board in order to affect change in policy, nursing curriculum, and nursing practice. The genomic nursing community has made great strides in education and curriculum planning; however, more work is needed in order to attain nursing genetic/genomic competence. I would like to be a leader to continue the work that has already begun and to help represent fellow colleagues and members.