

The Oncology Social Work Competencies, Opportunities, Roles and Expertise (CORE) Survey

Although many different health care professionals offer psychological and social support, social workers constitute the largest segment of trained professionals offering mental health services in the United States. As part of the cancer care workforce, oncology social workers are the primary providers of psychosocial services and interventions.

In this time of healthcare transition and turbulence, it is more critical than ever that we identify core practices that highlight the “value-added” services that oncology social workers provide. To achieve this end, the Association of Oncology Social Work is collaborating with the University of Michigan School of Social Work, the Association of Pediatric Oncology Social Workers, and the Association of Community Cancer Centers to conduct a nationwide survey of oncology social workers across a variety of cancer care settings.

The specific aims of this study are:

- To distinguish and delineate the roles, responsibilities, and scope of practice for oncology social workers in cancer care; and
- To examine oncology social workers’ experiences, practice patterns, workload obligations, and education and training needs within the context of their practice setting.

The survey will take approximately 30 minutes to complete, which we recognize is a substantial amount of your time.

Please know that the Association of Oncology Social Work, as well as other stakeholder groups and organizations that care about oncology social work and the quality of cancer care, will use the results of this survey to advocate for our profession and improve the quality of care for all cancer patients and their families.

In exchange for your participation in this survey we are fortunate to be able to offer you the opportunity to be entered into a drawing for multiple and valuable incentives, including:

- **Two** complimentary AOSW or APOSW 2021 Conference Registrations (value: up to \$450)
- **Two** complimentary AOSW or APOSW membership for one year (value: up to \$195)
- **Four** \$50 Amazon Gift Cards
- **Four** \$25 Amazon Gift Cards
- **Fifty** \$10 Amazon Gift Cards
- **One** 25% Discount on a first-time AOSW membership

Furthermore, **if you refer a social work colleague to this survey and they identify you as the source of their referral**, your name will be added again into a drawing to receive these gifts. There is no limit to how many times your name can be added; the more referrals credited to you the more opportunities you will have for your name to be drawn to receive one of these gifts.

Thank you so much for your consideration and for the work you do. Use the QR code below to access the survey:

