



## **Opening Remarks and meeting introduction**

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# UKONS Mission Statement

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Maximising the potential of all  
nurses in cancer care

# What's in it for you?

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- A vehicle to communicate with colleagues working in chemotherapy care to share challenges in practice and support practice development
- Your views and expertise will be sought and shared with peers, cancer nurse leaders and national strategic policy makers in each country of the UK

# What's in it for you? (cont)

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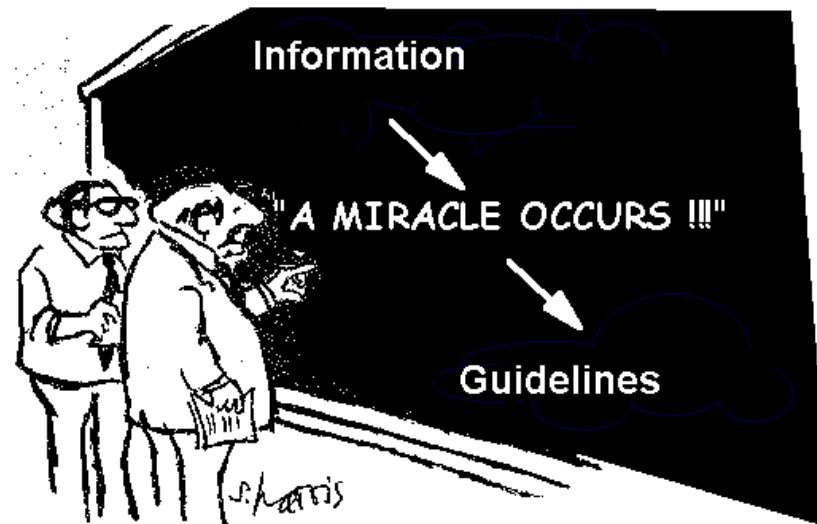
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- Your collective voice will influence the future of chemotherapy nursing to ensure practice is informed and developed by nurses
- Educational initiatives that highlight practice innovations to meet the challenges of emergent technologies and service re-design challenges inherent in contemporary chemotherapy nursing care

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- **70 nurses responded nationally who agreed we need this forum**
- Over 30 topics/issues were suggested for the first meeting
- National Chemotherapy Advisory Group – making recommendations for practice
- Cancer Reform Strategy

**Practising chemotherapy nurses at all levels need to influence this agenda!**

# What will the forum do?

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**It will "enable chemotherapy nurses to influence clinical care, practice and the future direction of services at a national level"**

# Who will it influence?

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- Cancer Action Team
- Cancer Reform Strategies
- National Chemotherapy Advisory Group
- Chief Nursing Officer
- BOPA
- UKONS
- RCN Cancer Nursing Society
- Pharmaceutical Industry Partners

# What commitment will you be expected to give?

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- You decide!
- Attend yourself
- Agree local/network representation
- Link in by newsletter only
- Post questions on UKONS website
- View UKONS website