

# AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR BLOOD AND MARROW TRANSPLANTATION TRANSPLANT NURSING SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP

## Message from SIG Chair: Chris Rimkus

Welcome to the ASBMT nursing special interest group (SIG). We want to give you an overview of the SIG and outline some initiatives that our SIG would like to accomplish over the next few years.

The nursing SIG was initiated in 2009 with a few members and has grown to 63 members. The goals of the SIG are to offer opportunities to interact with the greater transplant community including sitting on combined committees with physicians, APP's, pharmacists and administrators.

Additional goals include


- Offering support to those who want to submit an abstract
- Sharing information through the listserv
- Offering a BMTCN review course at the national meeting in the future
- Possible opportunities for projects such as sharing practice issues and research initiatives
- Collaborating with other disciplines on shared committees

Contact Chris Rimkus if you are interested in being a part of any of these initiatives

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## ASBMT Tandem Meeting 2017: Call for Abstracts



**Abstract Text Guidelines:**  
Please limit the text to 350 words. The following four headers in bold below must be in your abstract verbatim. Header words do not count against the word limit.

**Topic: Significance & Study Purpose/Background/Rationale**

- Discuss the significance/importance/relevance of your topic/research to oncology nursing practice?
- Explain the purpose for conducting the study with emphasis on clinical rationale.
- Concisely summarize the background of the problem and existing evidence from the literature.
- Describe nursing's unique role or contributions to the study or collaborative team work by nurse clinicians, nurse scientists and other healthcare professionals.

**Methods, Intervention, & Analysis**

- Describe the overall design including sampling procedures, and/or interventions.
- Describe outcomes and how their measurement processes/tools.
- Explain strategies used to facilitate reliability and validity (quantitative studies) or rigor (qualitative methods).
- State the general data analysis plan and briefly address how it relates to the study purpose.

**Findings & Interpretation**

- Briefly state the major findings from data analysis and/or outcome measurements.
- Compare study findings and implications with current literature and current practice.

**Discussion & Implications**

- Discuss how the study findings have the potential to impact current practice.
- Describe ways in which a collaborative team could use the findings for future studies.
- Explain ways these findings can be applied in oncology clinical practice, enrich patient and/or clinician education, or guide future oncology studies.

Authors are responsible for making certain that abstracts are complete (tables included and labeled) and written in clear, concise and grammatically correct English, so that reviewers are able to focus solely on the scientific merits of the submission. For authors with any question regarding the clarity, grammar or spelling of their abstract, we encourage identifying and using an independent reviewer to edit the abstract prior to submission.

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Attending the ASBMT Tandem meeting is an excellent way to get the most up to date information on BMT topics along with professionals from multiple disciplines.

If you have a project to share, a unique clinical practice, education or EBP/research project consider submitting an abstract to the conference. (Abstract Submission will close at 11:59:59 (PST) October 4, 2016. If you have any questions about submission, feel free to contact any of the SIG steering committee members.

## Call for Nominations

**Nominate Your Colleague for one of two ASBMT SIG Awards.**

**Lifetime Achievement**

**Clinical Excellence**

Do you have a colleague who has longevity in BMT nursing, has been a role model, advanced BMT nursing practice or someone who exemplifies exceptional clinical practice? Consider nominating them for one of these awards

**Nominations due December 1<sup>st</sup>**

The nomination forms are located on the nursing SIG page- email to Chris Rimkus

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