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Association of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nurses (APHON)
34th Annual Conference and Exhibit, October 14-16, 2010, Minneapolis, MN
Coming Together: Different Experiences, One Commitment

Glenview, IL: More than 800 pediatric hematology/oncology nurses are expected to gather at the APHON 34th Annual Convention and Exhibit, October 14-16, 2010, in Minneapolis, MN to learn about the latest in pediatric hematology/oncology nursing practice, build new skills, and connect with other nurses in the field. New this year, APHON is excited to be partnering with the Children's Oncology Group (COG), who will present an additional educational track, adding a unique clinical component to this year's conference.

Highlights of this year's session line up include new social media guidelines and town hall meeting, sickle cell research, obesity in the AYA population, palliative care, and issues related to chemotherapy treatment. "This year's conference theme, *Coming Together: Different Experiences, One Commitment*, underscores the diversity of APHON members' backgrounds, roles, and settings, as well as the historic addition of a Children's Oncology Group (COG) preconference session and educational track. What an awesome opportunity to come together and access the best of both APHON and COG education in one location," says APHON President, Deborah Echtenkamp MSN RN CPON[®].

APHON is comprised of more than 3100 pediatric hematology/oncology nurses who share a vision for a future without cancer and blood diseases. Together APHON nurses are committed to defining best practices for optimal patient care, passionate about providing the highest standards of care, and dedicated to advancing the field of pediatric hematology/oncology nursing. For more information about the Annual Conference and Exhibit or about APHON, visit www.aphon.org or call 847/375-4724.