



FAPHON Application Guide

Thank you for your interest in applying for the Fellowship of the Association of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nurses (FAPHON) designation.

Submit your completed FAPHON Application by Friday, June 5, 2026.

FAPHON candidates must demonstrate accrual of a minimum of 100 points, including a minimum of 40 points in Section 1 of the application, is necessary for consideration as defined on the APHON Fellow application.

Applicants are encouraged to include ALL professional activities that highlight their contributions and impact on the field (i.e., provide a complete presentation of activities, not just those that add up to 100 points). Professional activities can only be submitted for one category. Duplication of activities in different sections of the application **will not** be considered.

Completed applications will be reviewed for contributions and impact on the field.

If awarded an APHON Fellow, it is strongly encouraged for you to be a mentor for future FAPHON Applicants. You agree to promote and encourage pediatric hematology/oncology nurses to apply for the designation of FAPHON.

If you have questions about the FAPHON application process, please contact the APHON Staff at membership@aphon.org.

Letters of Recommendation

Provide two letters of recommendation; one must be from an APHON member, and one must be from a professional peer familiar with your work and contributions. No one person may write more than two letters of support in a year for applicants. Current members of the APHON Board and members from the professional development committee are not eligible to serve as a reference.

Share this link with your professional peer or colleague that will be submitting your letter of recommendation: <https://www.aphon.org/members/faphon-applicant-reference/>

APHON Membership

Applicants to the APHON Fellow Program are required to hold a minimum of 5 years of continuous APHON Membership at the time of application. Any candidate who has had more than a 30-day lapse in membership during these 5 years will not be eligible for application. Membership history can be obtained by emailing membership@aphon.org.

Your APHON Member ID can be found by logging into your APHON membership account, hovering over "My APHON" and click on "My Cards". Your APHON Member ID is located on the top right-hand corner of the card.

Note: Sections 1-4 should be completed via the FAPHON Points Worksheet.

Access the [FAPHON Points Worksheet \(Excel\)](#)

The FAPHON Points Worksheet was designed and reformatted to facilitate auto calculation of the new point system for you as the applicant and for the Professional Development Committee to verify the points awarded.

Note: We want you to focus on adding your accomplishments and contributions into the points worksheet without worrying about formatting or formulas. Your application will be double-checked to ensure all applicable points are included before the application is presented for review by the Professional Development Committee. Contact the APHON staff for assistance at membership@aphon.org.

Section 1: Activities in Support of or Service to APHON

If at any point you do not have any information to enter into a question field, please write "N/A" in the relevant field(s). This will ensure to us that you have reviewed the question.

List your service as a member of the APHON Board of Directors:

- 2 points per year served
- 3 points per year as President (2 years)
- **Maximum 22 points**

List any service as a member of a Local Chapter Executive Committee (President, President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer):

- 2 points per year served
- **Maximum 16 points**

1. Chapter
2. Position
3. Years served

List any service as an APHON Committee Chair or Task Force Chair:

- 2 points per year served
- **Maximum 20 points**

1. APHON Committee
2. Years served

Committees and task forces that would qualify:

- ACE Center
- Advocacy
- Annual Conference Program Planning
- Chemotherapy/Biotherapy Provider Program
- Education Provider Unit
- Evidence-Based Practice/Research
- Global Outreach
- Journal of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nursing (JOPHON)
- Leadership Development (formally known as Nominating Committee)
- Local Chapters

- Patient and Family Education Committee (formally known as Steering Council)
- Professional Development

List any service as an APHON committee member or task force member*:

APHON Committee Member*:

- 1 point per year served
 - **Maximum 16 points**
1. APHON Committee
 2. Position
 3. Years served

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APHON Local Chapter Committee Position*:

- 0.5 point per year served
 - **Maximum 8 points**
1. APHON Local Chapter Committee Position
 2. Years served

ONCC Committee Position*:

- 1 point per year served
 - **Maximum 8 points**
1. ONCC Committee Position
 2. Years served

List participation as an invited faculty/presenter at an APHON educational offering*:

(e.g., Annual Conference General Session or Keynote, APHON Spring Education Exchange Speaker, APHON-sponsored webinars/e-Learning, APHON Certification Review Course for CPON®/CPHON® exams. Presentation of concurrent and paper sessions should be entered in section 2.)

- 2 points per educational offering
- **Maximum 16 points**

1. Title
2. Meeting
3. Month/Year

List any service as an author of a book chapter or nursing education curriculum produced by APHON*:

- 2 points per publication
- **Maximum 12 points**

1. Publication
2. Specific Chapter

Curriculums developed by APHON that would qualify:

- The Pediatric Chemotherapy and Biotherapy Curriculum
- Essentials of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nursing: A Core Curriculum
- Nursing Care of Children and Adolescents with Cancer and Blood Disorders

Service as an editor or section editor*:

List any service as an editor or section editor of a book or nursing education curriculum produced by APHON

- 4 points per publication
- **Maximum 12 points**

1. Publication
2. Year Published

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- The Pediatric Chemotherapy and Biotherapy Curriculum
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- Nursing Care of Children and Adolescents with Cancer and Blood Disorders

List any service as a reviewer for APHON for any of the following*:

Manuscript review for the *Journal of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nursing (JOPHON)*

- Content review for any publication or presentation produced by APHON, including electronic media review.

Note: If the review of content, abstracts, or manuscripts is your responsibility as a member of an APHON committee, you are not eligible to earn points for such committee work in this category as it is captured in your committee work.

- 2 points per article
- **Maximum 8 points**

1. Type of Review

2. Start/End Date

List if you have served as an editor/editorial board for the *Journal of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nursing (JOPHON)* *:

- 2 points per year as editor
 - 1 point per year as editorial board
 - **Maximum 20 points**
1. Role
 2. Start/End Date

List if you have served as an editor or on an editorial board for *APHON Counts* *:

- 1 point per year
 - **Maximum 8 points**
1. Publication and Role
 2. Start/End Date

Service to APHON in non-Board role*:

List any service to APHON in a non-Board role that furthered the mission of APHON (e.g., writing/reviewing position statements or educational products, including electronic products, [for example, disease booklets]).

- 1 point per activity
 - **Maximum 6 points**
1. Activity
 2. Start/End Date

Activities that Further APHON's Mission that qualify:

- Participated in developing an APHON Strategic Plan
- Position Papers
 - Drug Shortages
 - The Nurses' Use of Social Media
 - Human Papillomavirus Immunization
 - Transition of Patients with SCD from Pediatric to Adult Care
 - Ambulatory Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nursing Practice
 - Educating the Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nurse
 - Fertility Preservation for Pediatric and Adolescent Young Adult Cancer Patients
 - Pain Management for the Child with Cancer in End of Life Care
- Nursing Education Publications
 - Pediatric Oncology Palliative & End-of-Life Care Resource
 - Telephone Triage Guidelines
 - Scope & Standards of Practice
 - Foundations of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nursing
 - Foundations of Pediatric Hematology Nursing
 - Foundations of Hematopoietic Progenitor Cell Transplantation

- Preparing for the CPHON Exam: eLearning Case Studies
- Patient & Family Education Publications
 - Symptoms and Treatments of Hematopoietic Progenitor Cell Transplantation
 - Hematology/Oncology Medication Fact Sheets
 - Thrombophilia Handbook
 - Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia Handbook
 - Non-oncologic Blood Disorders Handbook
 - Acute Myelogenous Leukemia Handbook
 - Ewing Sarcoma Handbook
 - Aplastic Anemia Handbook
 - Plan Now, Parent Later: A Guide to Fertility Preservation Options Handbooks
 - Germ Cell Tumors Handbook
 - Hemophagocytic Lymphohistiocytosis Handbook
 - Hodgkin Lymphoma Handbook
 - Hemophilia Handbook
 - Immune Thrombocytopenic Purpura Handbook
 - Neuroblastoma Handbook
 - Langerhans Cell Histiocytosis Handbook
 - Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma Handbook
 - Radiation Therapy Handbook
 - Osteosarcoma Handbook
 - Rare Tumors Handbook
 - Rhabdomyosarcoma and Soft Tissue Sarcoma Handbook
 - Retinoblastoma Handbook
 - Sickle Cell Disease Handbook
 - Wilms Tumor Handbook

List if you were a recipient of an award given by APHON or ONCC*:

- 2 points per award
- **Maximum 8 points**

1. Award
2. Year

APHON or ONCC Awards that qualify:

- Dr. Casey Hooke Distinguished Service Award
- Dr. Nancy E. Kline Mentoring Award
- Dr. Patricia Greene Leadership Award
- Jean Fergusson Excellence in Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nursing Education Award
- Jean Fergusson Excellence in Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nursing Practice Award
- APHON Excellence in Patient/Family Educational Materials Award
- Dianne Fochtman New Author Award
- JOPHON Writing Award
- APHON Counts Writing Award
- APHON Distinguished Researcher Award
- APHON Early Career Researcher Award
- APHON Excellence in Evidence-Based Practice Award
- APHON Chemotherapy/Biotherapy Instructor of the Year Award
- Local Chapter Community Service Award
- Local Chapter Excellence Award
- Certified Pediatric Oncology Nurse & Certified of the Year Award
- Blood and Marrow Transplant Certified Nurse of the Year Award
- Roberta Scofield Memorial Certification Award

- Pearl Moore Certification Champion Award

List if you were a recipient of a scholarship given by APHON or ONCC*:

- 2 points per award
- **Maximum 8 points**

1. Award
2. Year

All scholarships awarded by APHON or ONCC will be considered, including but limited to:

- Cynthia Stutzer Palliative Care Memorial Scholarship
- International Nurse Scholarship

List research or clinical grants received given by APHON*:

- 3 points per grant
- **Maximum 9 points**

1. Project Title
2. Period of Grant Award

Additional Materials*:

If there are any remaining items that you believe should be considered in this section but you weren't sure where to put them, please describe those items here.

Section 2: Certification, Presentations, Publications, and Research

If at any point you do not have any information to enter into a question field, please write "N/A" in the relevant field(s). This will ensure to us that you have reviewed the question.

Certifications*:

List currently held ONCC Certification(s), including CPON®, CPHON®, BMTCN®, or TCTCN®

- 3 points per certification
- **Maximum 9 points**

1. Credential
2. Year Earned

List abstracts presented as posters/papers at an APHON Annual Conference*:

- 1 point per presentation
- **Maximum 12 points**

1. Title

2. Meeting
3. Month/Year

List pre-conference and concurrent sessions given at an APHON Annual Conference or other peer-reviewed forums*:

- 2 point per pre-conference
- **Maximum 4 points**
and/or
- 1 point per presentation
- **Maximum 8 points**
Total points maximum 12 points

1. Presentation Title
2. Meeting
3. Month/Year

Presentations*:

List presentations at an APHON Local Chapter Education Meeting or other local or regional peer-reviewed forums. Industry-sponsored presentations are excluded.

- 1 point per presentation
- **Maximum of 8 points**

1. Presentation Title
2. Meeting
3. Month/Year

Invited Faculty*:

List participation as invited faculty or presenter at educational forums relevant to the specialty of pediatric hematology/oncology nursing other than APHON Annual Conference or APHON Local Chapter Education Meeting (e.g., HPNA, ONS, NAPNAP, ANCC, COG, ASPHO, etc.).

- 2 points per educational offering
- **Maximum 12 points**

1. Presentation Title
2. Meeting
3. Month/Year

Research and Clinical Reviews*:

List research and clinical review articles relevant to the specialty of pediatric hematology/oncology nursing published in the *Journal of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nursing (JOPHON)* or other peer-reviewed journals. List Articles in APA 7th Edition Format.

- 2 points per publication
- **Maximum 12 points**

1. Article Title
2. Publication
3. Published Year

Editor or section editor of a book not produced by APHON*:

List any instance of being an editor or section editor of a book nursing education curriculum not produced by APHON but relevant to the specialty of pediatric hematology/oncology nursing. List Titles in APA 7th Edition Format.

- 4 points per publication
- **Maximum 12 points**

1. Publication Title and Role

Book Chapters*:

List any book chapters or nursing education curriculum that you authored that were not produced by APHON but are relevant to the specialty of pediatric hematology/oncology nursing. List Titles in APA 7th Edition Format.

- 2 points per publication
- **Maximum 12 points**

1. Title
2. Publication

List service as a member*:

List service as a member of an ONCC[®], CPON[®], CPHON[®], or BMTCN[®] Exam Development Committee.

- 1 point per year served
- **Maximum 8 points**

1. ONCC Specific Exam Development Committee

Years of Term **Content Reviewer*:**

List any service as a content reviewer of publications not produced by APHON but related to the specialty of pediatric hematology/oncology nursing, including electronic media. List Titles in APA 7th Edition Format.

- 1 point per instance
- **Maximum 4 points**

1. Publication Title

Editor or on an editorial board*:

List if you have served as an editor or on an editorial board for peer-reviewed journals other than *JOPHON*, which are relevant to the specialty of pediatric hematology/oncology nursing.

- 1 points per year
- **Maximum 8 points**

- Publication
- Role
- Start/End Date

Research or clinical grants received *:

List research or clinical grants received relevant to the specialty of pediatric hematology/oncology nursing.

- 3 points per grant
 - **Maximum 9 points**
1. Project Title
 2. Granting Agency
 3. Project Dates

Additional Materials:

If there are any remaining items that you believe should be considered in this section, but you weren't sure where to put them, please describe those items here.

Section 3: Service Through Teaching/Mentoring

If at any point you do not have any information to enter into a question field, please write "N/A" in the relevant field(s). This will ensure to us that you have reviewed the question.

Service precepting interdisciplinary learners*:

List any service precepting interdisciplinary learners with direct supervision provided to a student enrolled in a formal accredited academic healthcare education program. The precepting should be in a one-on-one relationship with specific goals to learn information about the specialty of pediatric hematology/oncology care and the role of the disciplines involved. One-day shadowing experiences will not be accepted. A minimum of 25 hours is required.

- 3 points per preceptorship
 - **Maximum 12 points**
1. Student Academic Level
 2. School/Program
 3. Dates

Formal structured educational presentation*:

List participation in a formal structured educational presentation made to laypersons (e.g., lectures to civic groups, public service announcements, radio or TV appearances). The content of the presentation must be related to the field of pediatric hematology/oncology care.

- 1 point per presentation
- **Maximum 10 points**

1. Topic
2. Organization
3. Month/Year

Teaching award*:

List any teaching award or teaching honor for services relevant to the specialty of pediatric hematology/oncology nursing.

- 2 points per award
- **Maximum 8 points**

1. Award/Honor
2. Group
3. Location
4. Month/Year

Section 4: Public Service

If at any point you do not have any information to enter into a question field, please write "N/A" in the relevant field(s). This will ensure to us that you have reviewed the question.

Non-APHON committee*:

List any non-APHON committee or task force relevant to the specialty of pediatric hematology/oncology nursing of which you are a member.

(Examples: Legislative committee or task force for state/national membership organizations, e.g., COG, ANA, NAPNAP, AAHPM, CAPC, NHPCO, PQLC, SWPN, ION, NQF, NCP, ASPHO, HPNA etc.)

- 1 point per year of service
- **Maximum 10 points**

1. Organization
2. Term of Service

Professional honors or awards*:

List any professional honors or awards you have received relevant to the specialty of pediatric hematology/oncology nursing from sources other than APHON.

- 1 point per award
- **Maximum 6 points**

1. Honors or Award
2. Organization

Additional professional contributions related to pediatric hematology oncology nursing

List any other professional contributions related to pediatric hematology oncology nursing.

- 1 point per activity
- **Maximum 10 points**

Note: Sections 5 and 6 should be completed through this application.

Section 5: Statement of Contributions and Impact

Leadership and unique contributions*:

This section provides you an opportunity to succinctly describe how your leadership and unique contributions have impacted the field of pediatric hematology/oncology nursing. Please be as specific as possible when providing data to support the impact of your work; remember that the events described in this section must align with your CV.

Section 6: Statement of Future Engagement

Mission of APHON*:

Please describe how your significant contribution(s) supports the mission of APHON and how you will continue to uphold advancing pediatric hematology/oncology care if named an APHON Fellow.

Additional Requirements

Provide the required following documents as part of your application to the APHON Fellow program.

CURRICULUM VITAE (CV)

CV content should match and/or substantiate the information contained in the application. Relevant activities from the CV should be documented in the application.

Application Attestation states:

I certify that the information provided in this application accurately represents my professional status and experience. Furthermore, I recognize that any falsified information may lead to the revocation of my Fellow status. I also understand that the application fee is non-refundable, regardless of the outcome of the application process. I acknowledge that Fellow status is granted at the sole discretion of the Association of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nurses Board of Directors and includes many variables, including but not limited to the contents of this application. Submitting the FAPHON application will be considered the same as a written signature.