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APHON Announces the 2026 Class of Fellows (FAPHONs)

McLean, VA, October 23, 2026 — The Association of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nurses (APHON) is proud to announce the induction of 10 distinguished nurse leaders into the 2026 Class of Fellows of the Association of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nurses (FAPHONs).

Since its establishment, the FAPHON program has recognized trailblazing nurse leaders who inspire and elevate the profession. The newest Fellows include:

- Sharon Bergeron, BSN RN BSN CPON® FAPHON
- Terri Boyce, DNP APRN CPNP-AC CPHON® TCTCN™ FAPHON
- Dyane Bunnell, DNP APRN AOCNS® CPHON® NPD-BC FAPHON
- Misty Evans, PhD DNP APRN CPNP-AC TCTCN™ FAPHON
- Kitty Montgomery, PhD RN PCNS-BC FAPHON
- Mary Newman, DNP RN CPON® NEA-BC FAPHON
- Colleen Nixon, MSN RN CPHON® NPD-BC FAPHON
- Kaye Schmidt, MA RN NEA-BC CPHON® FAPHON
- Beth Siever, RN MSN CPNP-PC CPON® FAPHON
- Micah Skeens, PhD APRN FAAN FAPHON

The FAPHON designation acknowledges nurses who have advanced pediatric hematology/oncology nursing through exceptional care, leadership, research, authorship, education, and advocacy. Fellows are leaders whose impact reflects APHON's mission to support and advance nurses in optimizing outcomes for children, adolescents, young adults, and their families.

"Advancements in the care of children, adolescents, and young adults with cancer and blood disorders would not happen without the incredible dedication of the nurse," stated APHON President Amy Newman, PhD RN CPNP-PC. "These APHON Fellows reflect the important contributions of nurse scientists, authors, education leaders, mentors, and most importantly, exemplary bedside care givers. On behalf of the APHON Board of Directors, we welcome them to our distinguished list of Fellows."



To learn more about the APHON Fellowship program or apply for future cohorts, visit https://www.aphon.org/members/aphon-fellowship/.

About the Association of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nurses (APHON):

The Association of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nurses (APHON) is a 501(c)(3) public charity (EIN 23-7446224) committed to developing educational content, delivering informative programs, promoting evidence-based practice guidelines, and providing resources to pediatric, adolescent, and young adult communities and their families. APHON is the professional organization for pediatric hematology/oncology nurses and other pediatric hematology/oncology healthcare professionals. Its members are dedicated to promoting optimal nursing care for children, adolescents, and young adults with cancer and blood disorders, and their families.