



# **Role of Oncology nurse For tomorrow**

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# Oncology nurses

Are professional nurses who focus on

- Preventing cancer,
- Caring for individuals with cancer and their families during diagnosis and treatment,
- Caring for cancer survivors,
- Providing care at the end of life,
- The roles of oncology nurses are diverse; they can work in many settings and have roles as practitioners, educators, managers, or researcher,
- The driver of his or her overall care, and helps coordinate the various members of the health care team.
- Highly skilled and are passionate about making the experience of patients and their families as positive as possible before, during, and after cancer treatment.



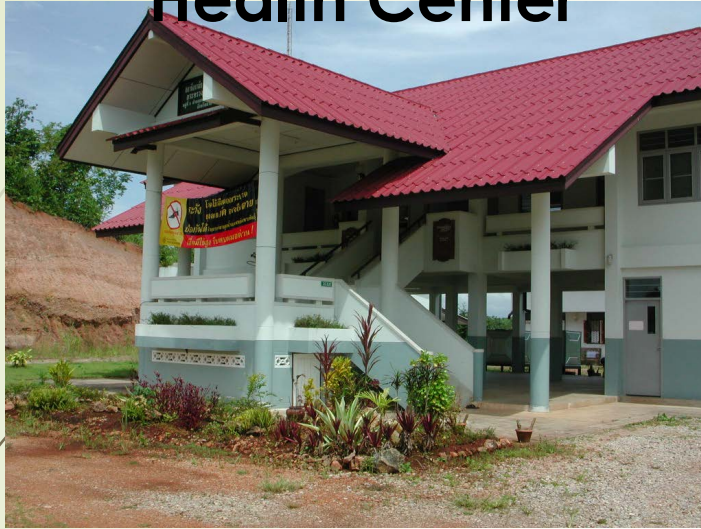
# In USA

- **35 percent working in a hospital/multi-hospital system,**
- **40 percent in the outpatient/ambulatory care setting,**
- **20 percent in radiation oncology,**
- **5 percent in hospice or home care.**

Tend to specialise in certain cancer types, working in areas such as breast cancer centers or lung cancer clinics.

# Work Setting of Oncology Nurse in Thailand

**Health Center**



**Community Hospital**



**University Hospital**

**Regional Hospital**





# What Oncology Nurses Do

- Focus on patient assessment, education, symptom management, and supportive care.
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# **Cancer** Trends: Role of oncology nurse

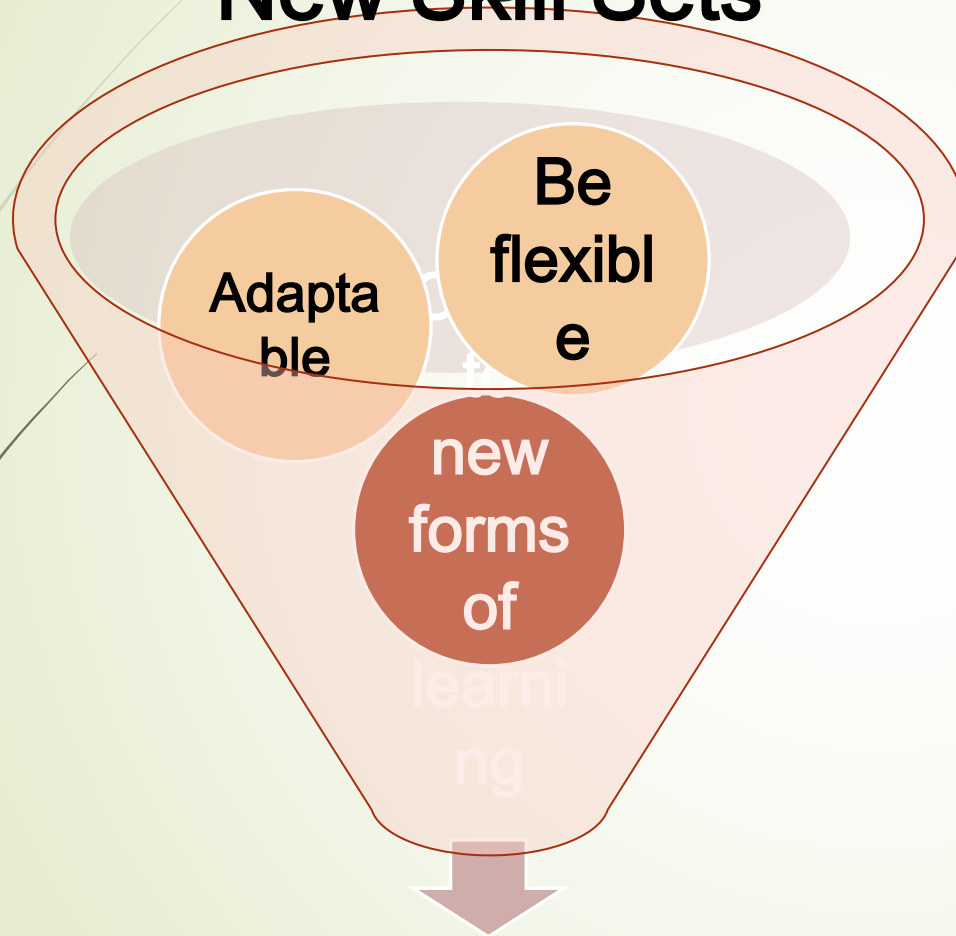
- **Prevention**
- **Early Detection (Screening)**
- **Diagnosis**
- **Treatment**
- **Life After Cancer**
- **End of Life**

# Function of advanced practice nurse in oncology

- **Managing and coordinating care for the clinically complex and resource-intensive population of people with cancer and their families;**
- **Providing health education, teaching self-care behaviors, and offering the psychosocial counseling and support that is so crucial to the quality of life of people with cancer and their families;**
- **Assessing the efficacy of the health-care delivery system along the continuum of care;**
- **Facilitating and monitoring improvement initiatives of the health-care delivery system.**

# Prepare for New Future Challenge

New Skill Sets



3 areas

Accelerate the rate of change and professional impact

- 1) nurses' role in relation to the adoption of digital technologies,
- 2) demonstrating quality and impact,
- 3) systems





**Thank You**