TARGET AUDIENCE
This activity has been designed to meet the educational needs of oncology nurses, nurse practitioners and clinical nurse specialists involved in the treatment of colorectal cancer (CRC).

OVERVIEW OF ACTIVITY
Cancer of the colon and rectum is the fourth most frequently diagnosed cancer and the second most common cause of death among all neoplasms in the United States, accounting for approximately 8% of all cancer deaths. Current therapeutic management of colorectal cancer (CRC) is dependent on tumor stage at the time of initial diagnosis, status of surgical margins, patient performance status, age, prior treatment exposure and sites of metastasis for those with disease recurrence or de novo advanced cancer. Although these variables are helpful in guiding selection of treatment, the introduction of novel biomarkers, multigene signatures and molecular-targeted systemic agents has significantly refined the clinical algorithm such that individualized therapeutic approaches have become the standard. The availability of multiple recently approved treatment options with novel and complex mechanisms of action reinforces the pivotal position of nurses as caregivers, communicators and educators, as they play an integral role in the successful delivery of systemic anticancer therapy and the preservation of patient physical and psychosocial well-being.

These video proceedings from the fourth part of a 5-part integrated CNE curriculum originally held at the 2015 ONS Annual Congress feature discussions with leading CRC cancer investigators and their nursing counterparts regarding actual patient cases and recent clinical research findings affecting the optimal therapeutic and supportive care for each patient scenario.

PURPOSE STATEMENT
By providing information on the latest research developments in the context of expert perspectives, this CNE activity will assist oncology nurses, nurse practitioners and clinical nurse specialists with the formulation of state-of-the-art clinical management strategies to facilitate optimal care of patients with CRC.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES
- Apply existing and emerging research data to the therapeutic and supportive care of patients with metastatic CRC (mCRC).
- Describe the clinical impact of and toxicities associated with commonly used systemic therapies for mCRC.
- Develop an evidence-based algorithm for the prevention and amelioration of side effects associated with chemotherapeutic and biologic agents used in the management of mCRC.
- Use case-based learning to facilitate improved counseling for patients.
- Identify opportunities to enhance the collaborative role of oncology nurses in the comprehensive biopsychosocial care of patients with mCRC to improve clinical and quality-of-life outcomes.

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