Find out more about joining the Specialist Section for HIV, Oncology & Palliative Care
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The College of Occupational Therapists Specialist Section – HIV, Oncology & Palliative Care is a branch of the College of Occupational Therapists (COT). The membership includes occupational therapists (OTs) from a variety of backgrounds, such as educators, researchers, occupational therapy (OT) staff and students, who are interested in HIV, oncology and palliative care. Membership of the British Association of Occupational Therapists (BAOT) is a requirement to be eligible to join the Specialist Section - HIV, Oncology & Palliative Care.

The Specialist Section – HIV, Oncology & Palliative Care promotes good practice in HIV, cancer and end of life care in a variety of settings, including hospital, community, social care and the voluntary sector.

The Specialist Section – HIV, Oncology & Palliative Care is led by a national executive committee (NEC) made up of volunteers elected from the membership at the annual review meeting (ARM). Members support fellow members at local and national levels across the United Kingdom (UK).

The membership is organised into regions throughout England, Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales, many of which meet to provide support and networking and have their own study days. Many members work in isolation and find meetings and networking with others a great help.
Aims of the Specialist Section

• To provide a network and act as a resource to all Specialist Section – HIV, Oncology & Palliative Care members.
• To promote best practice in all areas of HIV, Oncology and Palliative Care.
• To raise the profile and value of OT in the areas of HIV, Oncology & Palliative Care.
• To contribute to the production of practice guidelines, core standards, outcome measures and relevant publicity materials.
• To support research and development related to the area of practice.
• To act in an advisory capacity to COT and other organisations, nationally and internationally.

Membership Benefits

• Access to current initiatives and resources via quarterly e-newsletters, produced by the NEC and Specialist Section – HIV, Oncology & Palliative Care members.
• Access to annual conference (often at a discounted rate).
• Access to study days and learning events (often at a discounted rate).
• Opportunities to develop knowledge and skills via professional networking and support both regionally, nationally and internationally.
• Access to resources that can support continuing professional development (CPD).
• Advice on potential research topics and support during the research process.
• Opportunities to influence and inform key policy.
• Access to information via the website and social media.
Joining information

Q: How do I join Specialist Section - HIV, Oncology & Palliative Care?
A: Please visit www.COT.org.uk/specialistsections/HOPC and download our membership form.

For more information about the Specialist Section - HIV, Oncology & Palliative Care please visit our website: www.COT.org.uk/specialistsections/HOPC

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