



**Canadian Society of Surgical Oncology
La Societe Canadienne d'Oncologie Chirurgicale
Membership Application/Renewal 2010-2011**

Colleagues:

The CSSO continues to serve Canada's community of surgeons at large providing strong leadership through the promotion of multidisciplinary evidence based surgical care for people diagnosed with cancer. Once again this year the CSSO featured prominently at the fall meeting of the Canadian Surgery Forum held in Quebec City. Our courses and symposia were well attended and received extremely positive evaluations and feedback.

The second sitting of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada sub-specialty examination in General Surgical Oncology was successfully held and reported by candidates who sat the exam to be a very positive experience.

As we go forward we continue to promote the role of the CSSO in setting standards for the performance of cancer surgery. I have entered into discussions with the Canadian Partnership Against Cancer (CPAC), to explore the notion of expanding and formalizing the role of the CSSO in setting national, evidence-based standards for the surgical aspects of care for cancer patients. There are potential opportunities for infrastructure support under the CPAC organization for initiatives such as this one that we may be eligible to apply for. We will also continue to foster dialogue and collaborations with our medical oncology colleagues to ensure that a surgical perspective is maintained in the design and development of clinical trials in cancer care going forward. I will keep you posted on these initiatives.

In 2011 we will once again host the CSSO Spring Scientific Meeting. This year's meeting will be held at the Delta Chelsea Inn in Toronto on Friday, April 29th, 2011. We are pleased and excited to present this year's symposium on the diagnosis and management of desmoids tumors. I hope you will join us in Toronto. I am confident this year's meeting will be a positive and valuable experience for all who attend. Please mark this meeting on your calendar; and please keep your membership in the CSSO up to date. Your support and participation is critical to the ongoing success of the CSSO.

If you have suggestions or comments that you feel will help grow and support the CSSO, please send them along. I look forward to seeing you in Toronto.

Carman A. Giacomantonio, MD, President, CSSO

**Annual Dues for 2010-11: \$150.00, Cheque payable to: Canadian Society of Surgical Oncology
Contribution to the Shibata Lectureship Fund: (Suggested \$25.00) Separate cheque payable to: The Royal College of Physicians & Surgeons of Canada**

Name: _____

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Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Practice Type: Academic: _____ University Affiliation: _____ Community: _____

Hospital Affiliation: _____

Clinical practice: (please circle one or more):

Breast: _____ Hepatobiliary/pancreatic: _____

Melanoma: _____ Head & Neck: _____

Sarcoma: _____ Endocrine: _____

Areas of Research Interest: _____

Are you planning to attend the 17th Annual CSSO Spring meeting held in conjunction with the NCIC on April 29th, 2011 Yes ___ No ___

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