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Bleeding Disorders: Diagnosis and Management

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Membership Corner

BAPHON is buzzing with energy, boasting a vibrant and ever-growing membership of 246! As we continue to expand, our commitment to delivering top-quality educational and networking experiences remains a priority. This success is driven by the passion and dedication of our incredible members and local nurses. A huge thank you for being the heart of BAPHON!



Member Spotlight!

Christina Baggott, PhD, RN, PPCNP-BC, CPHON, FAPHON
Courtney Erickson, RN, BSN
Ashley Jacobs, RN, BSN, CPN, BMTCN

We are proud to spotlight our very own BAPHON members Christina Baggott, Courtney Erickson, and Ashley Jacobs who presented at APHON's Spring Education Exchange conference this May. Their session focused on the nursing assessment and management of CAR T-cell therapy in children with central nervous system (CNS) tumors, specifically diffuse midline gliomas (DMGs). These tumors are aggressive, inoperable, and currently lack curative treatment, with most patients surviving less than two years.

Originally developed for leukemia, Chimeric Antigen Receptor T-cell (CART) therapy is now being explored for solid tumors like DMG. GD2-CART has demonstrated early promise when delivered loco-regionally, helping to improve efficacy while minimizing systemic toxicity. Their presentation addressed nursing strategies for managing treatment-related toxicities, with an emphasis on tumor inflammation-associated neurotoxicity (TIAN), the importance of detailed neurological assessments, and the delivery of comprehensive care that supports both the medical and psychosocial needs of pediatric patients.

Congratulations on your presentation and thank you for the tremendous amount of work and dedication that goes into the care you provide!



How far will you go for kids with cancer?

September 1, 2025 to September 30, 2025

Run, Walk & Cycle for Childhood Cancer Awareness Month! September 1st – 30th, 2025

Join the 13th Annual Million Mile, a month-long challenge dedicated to funding vital childhood cancer research. Whether you walk, cycle, or run, YOU have the power to make a difference for children battling cancer. Throughout September, participants of all ages log miles to raise awareness and funds during Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

Team BAPHON is excited to participate in Alex's Million Mile for the 12th consecutive year, striving to bring us closer to a cure for all children with cancer. Over the past 12 years, BAPHON has proudly contributed over \$24,000 and logged nearly 27,000 miles. Let's keep the momentum going in 2025! Can we reach a million miles this year? Together, we can make it happen!

Register for Team BAPHON now!!

<https://www.alexslimonade.org/2025/team-baphon>



Don't miss out—register for these events and start logging your miles today!

Bolt on the Bay 5K, hosted by UCSF

Saturday, September 20th from 9 AM to 11:30 AM in San Francisco.

<https://givingtogether.ucsf.edu/team/664960>

Hillsborough Battles Osteo 5k Walk, hosted by Battle Osteosarcoma

Sunday, September 28 at 9 AM in Hillsborough

<https://www.battleosteosarcoma.org/upcoming-events>

Cycle for Kids Cancer, hosted by Stanford Medicine Children's Health

Saturday, September 27 at 4 PM at Equinox Palto Alto

<https://my.supportlpch.org/event/cycle-for-kids-cancer-2025/e702256>



BAPHON T-Shirt Fundraiser

Hats off to BAPHON board member Allie Hager for crafting the winning design for our 2nd annual t-shirt fundraiser! Proceeds from the sales will support Alex's Million Mile.

Swing by our Bonfire website to snag a shirt and join BAPHON in championing this amazing cause—every purchase makes a difference!



Honorable Mentions!



A huge thank you to Leslie Sumaylo for your design—it's truly out of this world!



A heartfelt thank you to Veronica, daughter of Erica Przybylski, for creating this super design with her painting talents!



All of these designs are available to purchase! If you're interested, head over to our Bonfire merchandise store and explore what we have to offer!
<https://www.bonfire.com/store/baphon-merch/>

Upcoming Educational Events



September 25 – 27, 2025

APHON's 49th Annual Conference and Exhibition
Providence, RI

<https://www.aphon.org/2025-annual-conference/>



September 28 – October 1, 2025

AACR Special Conference in Cancer Research: Advances in
Pediatric Cancer Research
Boston, MA

<https://www.aacr.org/meeting/aacr-special-conference-in-cancer-research-pancreatic-cancer-2025/>



October 14 – 15, 2025

St. Jude Cancer Predisposition Symposium: At the Crossroads:
Intersection of Germline Predisposition & Pediatric Oncology
Clinical Care & Research
Memphis, TN

<https://www.stjude.org/education-training/advanced-training/seminars-symposia.html>



October 20 – 23, 2025

International Society of Pediatric Oncology (SIOP) Congress
Amsterdam, the Netherlands

<https://siop-congress.org/register/>

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