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8TH ANNUAL CANCER SYMPOSIUM - THE DELICATE BALANCE IN NURSING: PROFESSIONALISM, POWER AND PRACTICE.

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Following the tradition of past symposiums, the PSONS Symposium Planning Committee has chosen a topic which again allows us time out to assess our profession. Often we are so caught up in the immediate problems of our positions that we lose the "big picture" of where nursing is headed. Past RONS/PSONS conferences have provided the time and space to meet with nationally renowned nursing leaders and each other to compare our perceptions and goals. These symposiums have been challenging and stimulating and the 1986 symposium promises to match the quality we have come to expect.

During the initial brainstorming meetings on the topic for next year's symposium, the committee found that the theme of self worth seemed to weave through the suggestions. As discussions continued, it became obvious that our symposium will appeal to nurses in all areas - not only oncology. Because of this we will mail the brochures to nurses in areas besides oncology. We are hoping to give nurses concrete ideas on how to increase their own power and not to simply present a descriptive overview of our problems.

We will present 3 main speakers, 2 instructional sessions, and 3 roundtable sessions.

Our first speaker will be Patricia Larson, RN, DNS, Associate Professor in the Department Physiological Nursing, UCSF. The title

of her paper is "Oncology Nursing: Potential and Power Within." She published a study in the ONS Forum (Nov/Dec 1984) entitled "Important Nurse Caring Behaviors Perceived By Patients With Cancer."

Our next speakers are Beatrice Kalisch, RN, Ed.D and Philip Kalisch, Ph.D. Beatrice Kalisch is Professor of Nursing and Philip Kalisch is Professor of History, Politics and Economics of Nursing, both at the University of Michigan. They have published extensively in various nursing journals on the subject of the image of nurses. High-
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EIGHTH ANNUAL PSONS SYMPOSIUM

The Delicate Balance in Nursing: Professionalism, Power and Practice

Featuring: Patricia Larson, Vernice Ferguson, Beatrice Kalisch and Philip Kalisch.

February 7-8, 1986
Four Seasons Olympic Hotel
Seattle, Washington

Annual Continental Breakfast Meeting

February 8 1985 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Spanish Ballroom

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