

Your **POGO Interlink Nurse** is a valuable resource and can help your child and family adjust to the challenges of living with cancer.

“We love our POGO Interlink Nurse! She put our family at ease when my son began his cancer journey. She was also a great help to my daughter (his twin sister) and spoke to her teachers and classmates to help them understand what our family would be going through.”

– Parent, Newmarket, Ontario

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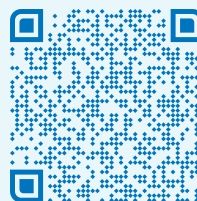
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## FAMILY SUPPORT WHEN YOUR CHILD HAS CANCER



## POGO INTERLINK NURSING PROGRAM

**POGO** | FOR KIDS WITH CANCER  
FOR NOW, FOR LIFE.  
PEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY GROUP OF ONTARIO



# WHAT IS POGO?

Pediatric Oncology Group of Ontario (POGO) works to ensure that everyone affected by childhood cancer has access to the best care and support. We partner to achieve an excellent childhood cancer care system for children, youth, and their families and healthcare teams, in Ontario and beyond.

POGO champions childhood cancer care, and as the collective voice of this community, is the official advisor to Ontario's Ministry of Health on children's cancer control and treatment.

POGO is a non-profit organization with charitable status, here for kids with cancer, for now, for life.



## WHAT IS THE POGO INTERLINK NURSING PROGRAM?

The POGO Interlink Nursing Program provides supportive care to children with cancer and their families, from hospital settings to homes, communities, and schools. As important members of the primary care team, POGO Interlink Nurses deliver patient and family-centered care throughout the cancer journey. This hospital-based program is funded by Ontario's Ministry of Health.

### Program Purpose

POGO Interlink Nurses provide personalized, comprehensive and supportive nursing care to every childhood cancer patient and their family in Ontario to help you have the best experience and outcome possible.

## HOW POGO INTERLINK NURSES CAN HELP

If your child has been diagnosed with cancer and is receiving treatment in Ontario, a POGO Interlink Nurse becomes a key member of the healthcare team.

### They will support your entire family by:

- Assessing your child's physical, social, and emotional needs and extending support to siblings during home visits
- Providing health education and access to resources while helping you navigate the healthcare system

### They will facilitate school support by:

- Discussing the impact of childhood cancer with school administrators and educators
- Delivering class presentations to classmates and siblings to raise awareness

### They will provide ongoing support by:

- Helping your child and family throughout the cancer journey, including palliative care if needed
- Helping your child and family adjust to life after treatment through end-of-therapy home visits

