UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 26, 2019

Onconova Therapeutics, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) **001-36020** (Commission File Number) 22-3627252 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

375 Pheasant Run

Newtown, PA 18940 (267) 759-3680

(Address, Including Zip Code, and Telephone Number, Including Area Code, of Registrant's Principal Executive Offices)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17CFR 240.14a-12)

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	ONTX	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
Common Stock Warrants	ONTXW	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company o

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. o

Item 3.01. Notice of Delisting or Failure to Satisfy a Continued Listing Rule or Standard; Transfer of Listing.

As previously reported in a Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and exchange Commission on May 24, 2019, the Company was notified on May 21, 2019 by Nasdaq that the Company was not in compliance with the minimum stockholders' equity requirement under Nasdaq Listing Rule 5550(b) for continued listing on The Nasdaq Capital Market because the Company's stockholders' deficit of approximately \$1.5 million, as reported in the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2019, is below the required minimum stockholders' equity of \$2.5 million, and as of the date of the notification, the Company did not meet the alternatives of market value of listed securities or net income from continuing operations. In accordance with Nasdaq Listing Rules, the Company had 45 calendar days, or until July 5, 2019, to submit a plan to regain compliance.

In order to maintain its listing, the Company submitted a plan of compliance addressing how it intended to regain compliance with Nasdaq Listing Rule 5550(b) within 180 days of notification, or November 18, 2019, which was accepted by Nasdaq on July 26, 2019.

If the Company does not regain compliance by November 18, 2019, or if the Company fails to satisfy another Nasdaq requirement for continued listing, Nasdaq staff could provide notice that the Company's common shares will become subject to delisting. In such event, Nasdaq rules permit the Company to appeal any delisting determination to a Nasdaq Hearings Panel. There can be no guarantee that the Company will be able to maintain its Nasdaq listing.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: July 29, 2019

Onconova Therapeutics, Inc.

By: / s/ MARK GUERIN

Name: Mark Guerin Title: Chief Financial Officer