# KARUNASHRAYA BANGALORE HOSPICE TRUST



# Quality of Patient Care in Covid Time

Despite the limitations imposed by continuing covid-19 epidemic, Karunashraya has been working relentlessly for maintaining the quality of palliative care it delivers to terminally ill cancer patients. Our nursing and other staff members continue to exercise utmost precaution in ensuring that the dreaded virus does not find any host in Karunashraya. Social distancing and other norms, as defined by the government agencies, are being strictly observed by all the employees of Karunashraya. The current second rise in new Covid-19 cases has enhanced or alertness and preparation for combating the disease.

# Team Karunashraya Undergoes Covid Vaccination

One hundred and twenty-nine staff members of Karunashraya received the first dose of Covishield vaccine on 8th Feb. within the premises of the hospice. All of them received their second dose within the stipulated time during the month of March 2021.





#### **HOME** CARE

## WHITEFIELD

NEW ADMISSIONS : 15
DEATHS : 06
NUMBER OF PATIENTS : 66

# **JAYANAGAR**

NEW ADMISSIONS : 09
DEATHS : 01
NUMBER OF PATIENTS : 62

## **SEVANAGAR**

NEW ADMISSIONS : 11
DEATHS : 06
NUMBER OF PATIENTS : 60

# NEWSLETTER January-March 2021

#### Life-Time Achievement Award

It is a matter of great honor for the entire Karunashraya that our chairman Mr. Kishore Rao received the Life-Time Achievement Award from Vcare.



#### **CELEBRATIONS**

Karunashraya celebrated the new year on the 1st of January 2021, and the function was sponsored by Axa Technologies. On the occasion, games were organized and patient's wards were decorated. Karunashraya employees were treated with sumptuous lunch and hi-tea. As always, the Republic Day was celebrated with fervour and enthusiasm keeping in mind restrictions imposed by Covid-19 epidemic. The nineth anniversary of our charity shop was also celebrated and we fondly remembered Ms. Leela Sridhar who conceived the idea of a charity shop and its future role in generating financial resources for Karunashraya.



#### **VOLUNTEERING GROUP**

A Volunteering group, comprising software engineers and named Robinhood, visited Karunashraya on January 25, 2021, and planted a few saplings as a token of their commitment to the cause and to spread awareness about palliative care.



#### OTHER EVENTS

Four members of Lions Club of Bangalore (Kanaka Nagar) visited Karunashraya on 27 January to get an insight into activities of Karunashraya in relation to rendering of palliative care, and also education, training and research in this area.

Young enthusiastic volunteers, currently students of the standard 11th, from an apartment made videos for the entertainment of our patients and staff.

#### TRAINING AND EDUCATION

Karunashraya had a one-day sensitization program in palliative care for the Government-managed Primary Health Centre nurses and pharmacists. The program attracted 67 participants.

We had conducted a one-day training for the new staff of Karunashraya in relation to sexual harassment. Ms. Shobhana R. Thakrar, a consultant for the POSH Act and a social worker/our external committee member, trained our nursing staff.







Training



# PARTICIPATION IN **CONFERENCES & SEMINARS**

Medical staff of Karunashraya attended the IAPC conference, held in online mode, coordinated by AIIMS Patna during March 19-21. Six poster presentations were made by the team Karunashraya and 16 individuals participated in the conference.

Ms. Sangeetha, Nursina Tutor, Karunashraya, gave a talk on "Skin care and pressure injury management" in a sensitization program for doctors, which had over 50 participants. She also gave a talk on "Compassion in palliative care" in the National Webinar on World Cancer Day.



#### HAIR DONATION CAMPAIGN

Members of the club Platinum city, in association with Karunashraya, conducted a cancer awareness program and hair donation drive on World Cancer Day. The campaign was launched at Showoff beauty salon, Domlur, Bangalore.

#### CLINICAL POSTING

As a part of NFPC clinical posting, Ms. Pooja Saikia, a nursing staff at Jorhat Medical College, Assam, joined Karunashraya on March 18, 2021. While at Karunashraya she would undergo intense training till March 27, 2021 and would then return back to her parent institution. The training in palliative care at Karunashraya would eventually help the patients in the north-eastern part of the country.

# **LOGIN**HOURS











DOCTOR'S CARE 1980 Hrs

NURSING CARE 36728 Hrs

COUNSELLING 3800 Hrs

PHYSIOTHERAPY 552 Hrs

ADMIN SUPPORT 25133 Hrs

# **GALLERY**





# WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION

their families during the coronavirus pandemic.

**THANKYOU** 



The entire KARUNASHRAYA team is grateful for the many ways our

well-wishers have come together to support our team, our patients, and

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