

Review of: "Establishing a Multi-disciplinary Adult Oncology Unit at Muhimbili National Hospital: Lessons Learned, Challenges, and Opportunities Amidst Tanzania's Growing Cancer Burden"

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My comments on the manuscript entitled "Review of: Establishing a Multi-disciplinary Adult Oncology Unit at Muhimbili National Hospital: Lessons Learned, Challenges, and Opportunities Amidst Tanzania's Growing Cancer Burden" are as follows.

What specific strategies were implemented in the comprehensive facility assessment at Muhimbili National Hospital (MNH) to ensure optimal resource allocation for the adult oncology unit?

How has the decentralization of cancer care from the Ocean Road Cancer Institute (ORCI) to MNH impacted patient access to oncology services in Tanzania?

Can you elaborate on the multidisciplinary approach adopted by the MNH oncology unit and its effectiveness in improving patient outcomes?

What measures were taken to address challenges such as space constraints and the shortage of trained human resources for oncology care at MNH?

How has the establishment of the adult oncology unit at MNH contributed to revenue generation and alignment with institutional goals?

Could you provide examples of stakeholder engagement and collaboration that were crucial in the successful establishment of MNH's oncology unit?

In what specific ways has the MNH oncology unit enhanced community awareness about cancer and its treatment options in Tanzania?

Can you describe the role of pharmacist involvement in ensuring accurate medication management within the MNH oncology unit?

What evidence-based methodologies were utilized in the "train-the-trainer" model to empower nursing staff in chemotherapy administration?

How has the opening of the MNH oncology unit improved the coordination of care for cancer patients, particularly in terms of reducing wait times for oncology care initiation?

How was the commitment to adaptability and openness to change demonstrated throughout the establishment of the adult oncology unit at MNH-Upanga?

Can you provide examples of specific instances where collaboration among different departments at MNH-Upanga contributed to the successful implementation of the oncology unit?

Include some relevant bibliographic studies like PMID: 37525917, PMID: 37073145, PMID: 36900109, & PMID: 33196993 in your manuscript.

What international standards of care were adhered to during the establishment of the adult oncology unit, and how did they influence the delivery of cancer care in Tanzania?

In what ways did the establishment of the adult oncology unit alleviate the burden on the Ocean Road Cancer Institute (ORCI) and improve the overall quality of cancer care in Tanzania?

How did MNH-Upanga utilize ongoing training programs and collaboration with other centers to enhance the capabilities of the adult oncology unit?

Can you elaborate on the role of evidence-based data generation in advancing cancer policies and protocols within MNH-Upanga's oncology unit?

What were some of the main limitations and challenges encountered during the establishment of the adult oncology unit, and how were they addressed by MNH-Upanga?

How does MNH-Upanga plan to sustain momentum and continue building upon the achievements of the adult oncology unit in the future?

What strategies does MNH-Upanga propose for conducting community engagement to address cancer stigma in Tanzania?

What are the anticipated benefits of establishing a dedicated in-house research team within MNH-Upanga's oncology unit, and how will it contribute to advancing cancer treatment and care in Tanzania?