

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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I agree with other reviewers in that this paper is mostly a perspective on how they implemented an oncology unit at a particular location. There is minimal data to support the gains to the patients that, while I believe occurred, don't have any supporting data or even qualitative comments from providers or patients in these units. I also agree with other reviewers' comments that the overall structure is not clear - for example, starting with hurdles to implementation in what appears to be the methods section - as opposed to, say, a clear definition of the setting of the implementation; this way, other institutions could compare themselves to determine whether or not they might be amenable to such an implementation. I would recommend either adding more qualitative support if quantitative data does not exist for the results, but I also understand that if they don't exist, perhaps this might be a perspective paper, highlighting hurdles that might be common across similar hospital systems.