

Half-yearly Report of April to September 2021

Although Care Plus office remained closed from April 16 to September 20, patient support and all other activities except Home Care visits were carried out in full swing. The patient support was possible by the prompt actions of the Secretary and Treasurer of Care Plus, based on the information passed on by the Care Plus sponsored Social Worker interacting with the patients at the Palliative OP. New patients were regularly added to Care Plus and a sizeable number of them were recommended for medical, travel and food kit support and other welfare measures.

A summary of the activities during the period April – September 2021 is given below.

Patient support

- Patient support by way of reimbursement of medical bills was provided to 212 persons incurring an amount of Rs 2,42,250
- Medicines and D-protein were provided to 53 patients costing Rs 26,358
- A nebulizer and injection medicines were arranged for Sri. Pradeep Kumar (Rs 17,900)
- Surgery support of Rs 20,000 was provided for one patient
- A colostomy care kit was provided to Sri. Sathyan (Rs 1,200)
- Chemotherapy cost of Sri. Sajana Kumar is being paid every month by Care Plus
- Taylor's Brace, a belt for back pain, was provided to Smt. Reena (Rs 1940)
- For Sabarias, a costly medicine is being sponsored every month (Rs 1,400 each)
- A wheelchair was provided to Smt. Sarojini Amma (Rs 5,300)\
- Cots, mattress, bedsheets and pillows for four patients and fans for two patients were provided (Rs 16,150)
- Financial aid to 47 patients, mainly for medicines and other material needs of patients, was provided (Rs 1,85,450)
- Transportation charges for 38 patients (auto/taxi/ambulance) was provided (Rs 21,850)
- Food kits to 160 poor patients who visited palliative OP were given (Rs 1,50,801)
- Patient Xavier's terminal treatment and death and funeral expenses of Rs 20,000 was borne by a member of Care Plus

Bereavement support

- Bereavement support to four families (Rs 3000 x 3 months) for starting a livelihood venture, was provided

Young family support

- Young family support for 5 families were provided. It is also a three-month financial support to young wives to start a livelihood venture. Besides, their children are also given educational support

Educational support

- Educational aid (school/college fees) was provided to 124 students (Rs 1,78,000)
- Instead of educational kit during 'Snehasparsham' Rs 1,000 each was sent to 85 students (Rs 85,000)

Geriatric support

- Pension to 16 widows at the rate of Rs 1,000 p.m. for six months was given (Rs96,000)

Marriage support

- For the marriage of patient Smt. Udayakumari's daughter, Rs 5,000 was sponsored by a member of Care Plus

House renovation

- A second instalment of Rs 1,10,000 was given to our student Greeshma as a further support for the house renovation
- A pump set, overhead tank, taps and a closet were installed for the patient Smt. Girija (Rs27,000)

Livelihood support

- For starting garment business (nighties etc.) wives of three patients were given financial support of Rs 5,000 each
- Poultry units containing a cage and 25 chickens each were provided to three families (Rs 48,670)

Onam gifts

- Instead of providing Onam kits in the get together, Rs 1,000 each was transferred to the bank accounts of 135 patients (Rs1,37,500) due to the Covid 19 situation
- In addition, 20 sets of towels & lungis were provided as Onakodi to poor patients who visited Palliative OP

Donations and Sponsorships to Care Plus

1. The Inner Wheel Club of Trivandrum sponsored Rs 50,000 towards college fees for Navya, an engineering student (daughter of late Smt. Binu)
2. TBRT 126 of Trivandrum donated Rs 81,000 for the Onam gifts to patients' families
3. Allianz, Techno Park, Trivandrum sponsored Android phones to 5 students

Management activities

- Annual General Body Meeting of Care Plus was conducted virtually on 12th September 2021 and 19 members attended the same
- Annual Report 2020 – 21 of Care Plus was sent to all members