

## **PARTICIPATION INFORMATION SHEET**

You are being invited to take part in a clinical study. Please sign the consent form if you agree to participate in this study.

**STUDY TITLE:** A study to assess the knowledge and attitude among patient relatives regarding Palliative care in a selected oncology hospital ,Kolkata ,West Bengal.

**PRNCIPAL INVESTIGATOR:** Sriparna Giri

**SITE:** Tata Medical Center

### **INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE STUDY:**

We are inviting you to take part in a research project. Before you decide whether to take part, it is important to have all the relevant information. Please take time to read this information carefully. Ask if anything is not clear or if you need someone to read it with you. Please take time to decide whether you wish to take part or not. We will treat your condition to the very best of our ability whether you take part or not.

### **WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE STUDY?**

The ultimate aim of the study is to determine the knowledge and attitude of patient relatives about palliative care.

### **WHY HAVE YOU CHOSEN ME?**

You have been chosen because you are the relatives of Palliative patient.

### **IS IT COMPULSORY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE STUDY?**

It is not compulsory to take part in the study. Even if you decide to take part, you can withdraw at any time, without giving a reason. Similarly, the research team may close the study, or stop your participation in it at any time, without your consent.

### **WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO ME IF I AGREE TO PARTICIPATE?**

You will be asked to response to structured questionnaires to assess the knowledge of Palliative care and to response towards the attitude scale about palliative care

**WILL I GET ANY MONETARY BENEFIT FOR TAKING PART IN THE RESEARCH?**

No.

**DO I HAVE TO PAY FOR THIS STUDY?**

You will not have to pay anything extra for participating in this study.

**IS THIS STUDY AN ALTERNATIVE FOR DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT?**

This study does not function as an alternative to standard diagnosis or treatment protocols for Palliative care. Irrespective of participation in this research, individuals will continue to receive the established and accepted standard treatment procedures. However, the primary focus of this study is to assess the knowledge and attitude of patient relatives about palliative care. Participants in the study will continue to receive the medically approved and standardized treatments as prescribed by their healthcare providers. Therefore, while the study is focused on the assessment of knowledge and attitude about palliative care, it does not replace the essential diagnostic procedures or established treatments essential for managing Palliative Care.

**WHAT ARE THE SIDE EFFECTS OF PARTICIPATION IN THIS STUDY?**

There will not be any side effect for taking part in the study.

**WHAT ARE THE POSSIBLE BENEFITS OF TAKING PART?**

You will not have any additional benefits in your main treatment from participating in the study.

**WHAT IS THE ALTERNATIVE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE STUDY?**

You may choose not to participate in the study and still have the same treatment from the hospital.

**WHAT IF THERE IS A PROBLEM DURING THE COURSE OF THIS STUDY?**

If you experience any problem while taking part in the study you can contact the researcher (Primary Investigator -Sriparna Giri Assistant Nursing Superintendent, Daycare cum Professor Tata Medical Center.

Co investigator – Soma De, M.Sc 1<sup>st</sup> year Student, Tata medical center)

immediately and discuss the problem.

**WILL MY PARTICIPATION IN THE STUDY BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL?**

Yes, there are very strict rules about collecting medical research information. We will keep your information safe and private. Any information that leaves the hospital will have name, address or any other identifier removed.

**WHAT HAPPENS IF I WANT TO DISCONTINUE?**

You can withdraw from the study at any time without having any effect on your treatment.

**WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE RESULTS OF THIS RESEARCH?**

Depend of the result we can develop the knowledge about Palliative care .The results may be published in a scientific journal. At no time you will be identified in person.

**CAN I GET STUDY RESULTS?**

Yes, at end of the research if you want, result will be communicated.

**WHO IS ORGANISING THIS RESEARCH?**

Primary Investigator -Sriparna Giri Assistant Nursing Superintendent, Daycare cum Professor Tata Medical Center.

Co investigator – Soma De, M.Sc 1<sup>st</sup> year Student, Tata medical center

Signature of the Participants

Signature of Investigator

Name of the Participants

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