

# diagnosis, treatment & care

#### AIM

To establish the same standards of care in whole Europe by enabling all children and adolescents with cancer the same access to treatments, adequate monitoring of late effects, proper facility during the treatment, continuous education of medical staff, access to psychosocial care and continuous involvement of parents in the treatment process.

### european standards of care

Goal: Ensure an equal access across Europe to standard care, expertise and clinical research. Foster the instrumental role of the European Reference Network for Paediatric Cancers (ERN PaedCan) that can address pronounced inequalities

#### Current developments:

- Release of the first WHO Report on Childhood Cancer Inequalities across Europe to which CCI Europe contributed
- First revision of the European Standards of Care for Children with Cancer with SIOP Europe

### cross-border healthcare

**Goal:** Appropriate reimbursement should be foreseen for accessing cross-border care. CCI Europe together with healthcare professionals (and the ERN PaedCan) work on reducing inequalities in childhood cancer across Europe.

#### **Current developments:**

- Revision of the EU Cross Border Healthcare Directive.
- Release of the first European Standards of Clinical Practice (ESCP) protocols with recommendations on best standard treatments to be used all across Europe.

## essential medicines

**Goal:** Ensure that safe, effective, sustainable, and affordable quality anticancer medicines defined as essential are accessible for all children and adolescents with cancer across all Europe, at all times.

#### Current developments:

- Soon to be available results of the SIOPE Essential Medicines Project where CCI Europe was involved
- 16 new paediatric cancer medicines and indications were included under the updated WHO Essential Medicines List for Children (2021) due to achievements in the Essential Medicines Project.

## palliative care and pain management

**Goal:** Support further access to supportive care medicines and palliative care of paediatric malignancies across Europe.

Current development: SIOPE has formed a Palliative Care Working Group where CCI-E is actively participating.

### aya - adolescents and young adults

**Goal:** AYA neither being the focus of paediatric nor of adult oncology leaves the group with disparities. Thus, our main goal is to ensure access to better diagnosis, treatment and care regimens for AYA patients.



