

## Two batches of Indonesian cancer patient navigators receive training from India

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Tata Memorial Centre (TMC) in India had signed a Partnership Agreement of Cancer Patient Navigation Programme to improve cancer care in Indonesia on the World Health Day this year, that is, on 7th April, 2022. The MoU was signed with Dharmas National Cancer Hospital and PT Roche Indonesia.

Two successful batches of students, consisting of thirty students in each batch, have graduated from the programme with 100% placement under the Cancer Patient Navigation Programme (CPN), which is the international expansion of TMC's Kevat programme. Currently the third batch is under training with thirty-seven students from Indonesia.

Tata Memorial Centre established Kevat- a new vertical in paramedical care, by launching India's first accredited postgraduate diploma in patient navigation in oncology and subsequently offering employment to the trained students. Kevat programme is India's first accredited postgraduate diploma in patient navigation in oncology, with TISS- Tata Institute of Social Sciences and with support from Tata Trusts.

The navigators form an effective network that provides patients and caregivers with seamless support throughout the continuum of cancer care.

The 36 credit diploma course consists of six months of didactic training and observer ship in clinical and psychosocial aspects of oncology care, followed by a six-month paid internship at different hospitals under the TMC banner. On the successful completion of the fellowship, exemplary candidates are employed by TMC in permanent positions.