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Trivandrum Institute  
of Palliative Sciences  
WHO Collaborating Centre  
for Training and Policy  
on Access to Pain Relief

# CERTIFICATE COURSE IN PALLIATIVE CARE (CCPC)



**06<sup>th</sup> September 2025 - 11<sup>th</sup> October 2025**

Weekly program on six Saturdays

## Eligibility Criteria

MBBS with minimum 3 years of clinical experience

## Salient Features



06 Modular Course  
Each Module -120 Minutes



Live Online Classes



Evidence Based  
Curriculum &  
Integrated Case Studies



Q&A Session with  
Renowned Experts



Certification after  
Clearing Exit Exam\*

**Course Fee**  
**INR 8,500/-**

Inclusive of GST

## Course Schedule

1	Introduction to Palliative Care	06 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2025
2	Communication Skills	13 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2025
3	Pain Assessment and Management	20 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2025
4	Symptom Assessment and Management	27 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2025
5	Palliative Care in Non-Cancer Illness and Geriatric Care	04 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2025
6	End of Life (EOL) Care	11 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2025



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**Last Date for Registration**  
**31<sup>st</sup> July 2025**

\*Certification criteria: 5 modules needs to be attended out of 6;  
50% marks needs to be secured in exit exam to be certificate eligible.

## Experts



Dr. Gayatri Palat is currently working as Professor, Department of Pain and Palliative Medicine, MNJ Institute of Oncology and RCC, Hyderabad, India. The current leadership positions of Dr Palat include: Director, PAX Asia Program; Two Worlds Cancer Collaboration, Canada; Don Rix Personal Professorship of Palliative Medicine; facilitate the Two Worlds Cancer Collaboration Foundation with capacity building in palliative care in regions like India, Nepal and Bangladesh; Consultant, Palliative care, Tata Trust. Working with Government of Telangana, she helped with rolling out a successful population based palliative care program in the state. Dr. Palat also played a key role in bringing change in opioid regulations in the state of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana.



Dr. Satyanarayana Raju Nadimpalli is a Managing Trustee and Medical Director of "Sneha Sandhya Age Care Foundation" registered charity working to provide primary health care for senior citizens and palliative care to persons with terminal / incurable illnesses. He is a member of National Institute of Social Defense (NISD) under the Ministry of Social justice and empowerment, Govt. of India from 2017 -2019 and member of RSSDI (Research Society for the Study of Diabetes in India). Dr Nadimpalli is a life member of Indian Medical Association, Indian Academy of Geriatrics, IAPC (Indian Association of Palliative Care) and IAHPC (International Association of Hospice & Palliative Care).



Dr. Roop Gursahani is a Consultant Neurologist & Epileptologist at P.D.Hinduja National Hospital, Mumbai. His professional experience include: Honorary Associate Professor in Neurology, GMC & Sir JJ Hospital, Mumbai; Visiting Fellow in Epilepsy, Cleveland Clinic, USA; Consultant Neurologist, Lilavati, Holy Family, Guru Nanak, Smt BCJ General, Ramakrishna Mission Hospitals, Mumbai; Associate Prof. & Incharge, Dept. of Neurology, T.N.Medical College & B.Y.L.Nair Hospital, Mumbai and Lecturer in Neurology, G.M.C & Sir JJH. Dr Gursahani has been associated with various advocacy and community engagements including: Forum for Indian Neurology Education (FINE): Educational courses for neurologists and physicians; Epilepsy Clinic (Lifeline Express, Impact India Foundation): outreach clinics in rural areas for epilepsy and others.



Dr. Savita Butola is Commandant (Medical)/ Chief Medical Officer (Selection Grade) at Composite Hospital, Border Security Force, Panisagar (Tripura). She is a National Faculty for Indian Association of Palliative Care and Founding member of 'E-hospice India'. She launched the first online Bereavement support website in India. Dr. Butola is a member of expert group with MOHFW for the 'National Programme for Palliative Care', Hony Secretary (Elect) of Indian Association of Palliative Care. Dr. Butola interest areas include-Advocacy, Development of Palliative care in Armed forces and North India.



Dr Vidya Viswanath, Associate Professor, Department of Palliative Medicine is working at Homi Bhabha Cancer Hospital and Research Centre, Visakhapatnam, where palliative care has been integrated with oncology services since inception, from 2015. She has trained in Palliative Medicine through the National Fellowship in Palliative Medicine NFPM in 2012-2013 and completed her MSc in Palliative Medicine from Cardiff University, with the Commonwealth scholarship in 2018. She has contributed to initiation, advocacy and training in Andhra Pradesh in Palliative Medicine. She is a resource person for the IAPC, CTC training and Pallium India. Her areas of interest are Quality Improvement, Integration of Palliative Care and Spirituality in Healthcare. Her goal is to make evidence-based palliative medicine accessible, accountable and penetrative in the society and among the medical fraternity.



Dr. Sheetal Raj M is working as an Associate Professor in the Department of Medicine, KMC Mangalore. She teaches MBBS, BDS, BPT, and MD students. Dr Raj is a program director for - Fellowship in Geriatric Medicine. Her interest areas include General Medicine (Geriatrics, Palliative Care, Infectious Diseases, Diabetes, HIV). Dr Raj has expertise in Internal Medicine, Geriatrics, Palliative Care. She has professional affiliations & contributed to following member organizations; Life Member of API, Dakshina Kannada and Life Member of IMA.



Ms. Smriti Rana is the Head of the WHO Collaborating Centre for Training and Policy on Access to Pain Relief in Trivandrum. This is the flagship service delivery program of Pallium India. She has over 2 decades of experience in palliative care with deep personal ties to her work. At Pallium India, Smriti heads the Strategic Programs and Partnerships Division. Her work entails integrating palliative care into the Indian health system, focusing on increasing safe access to adequate pain relief and patient support across the continuum of care. She advocates for policy reform, patient empowerment, death literacy and decolonization of healthcare. She is the India Advocacy Focal Point for the International Association of Hospice and Palliative Care, Chair of the International Drug Policy Consortium and a member of the Advance Care Planning Taskforce in India.

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