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Survivor's Story

Your Zakat and Donations Save Families like Hira's from the Burden of Cancer

"A few days before her fourth birthday in December 2019, Hira started complaining of tummy aches in the morning. At first, we thought she was trying to avoid going to school. Then one day, she told her mother that there was blood in her urine. We immediately took her to a doctor. The results of ultrasound showed possible cancer in her right kidney. She was then referred to the Shaukat Khanum Memorial Cancer Hospital and Research Centre, Lahore.

At Shaukat Khanum Hospital, a huge weight was lifted off my chest when I found out that Hira's cancer was treatable and that she would receive the best possible care completely free of charge. I drive a rickshaw to make a modest income. Even before my daughter's illness, we struggled to make ends meet. When Hira was diagnosed with cancer, I felt helpless because I could not afford such expensive treatment. After finding out that I no longer needed to worry about the cost of her treatment, I was finally able to focus on my daughter's health. Hira's treatment plan included chemotherapy, followed by surgical removal of the tumour, and then more chemotherapy to destroy

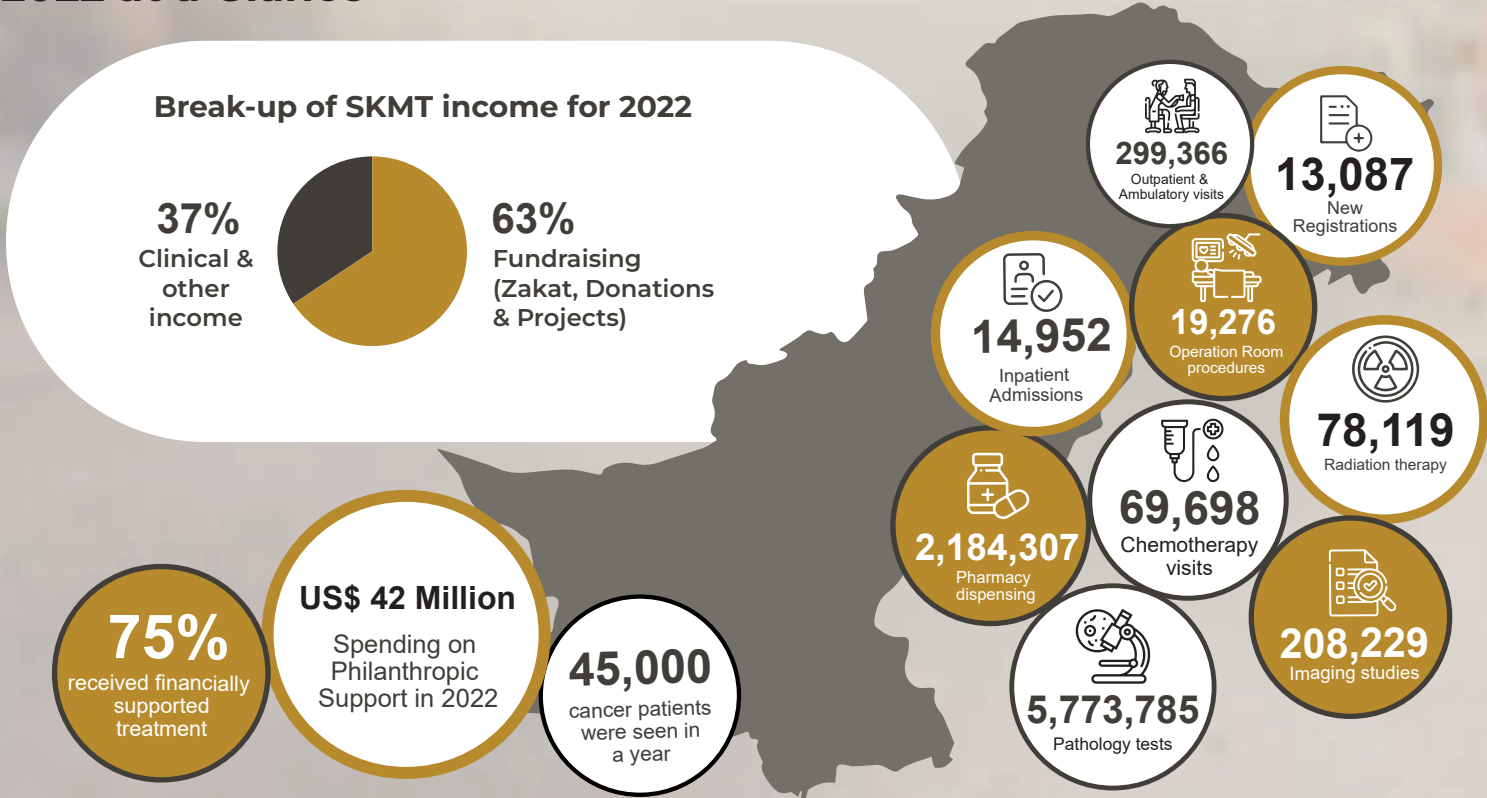
any remaining cancer cells. Hira was incredibly brave throughout her cancer journey.

Watching your child fight cancer is incredibly stressful. The pain is not just theirs, but you feel every tear sting deeply in your heart. There are ups and downs where hope disappears and reappears repeatedly. One major factor that kept us going through this difficult journey was the compassionate attitude of the staff of Shaukat Khanum Hospital. Not only the doctors and nurses but everyone who came into contact with us was always kind and respectful, which gave us encouragement to keep going. Hira has now completed her cancer treatment and is back in school. We are grateful beyond words to this institution that gave our daughter a second chance at life. I will do everything I possibly can to help my daughter reach her full potential and achieve her dreams. Please support Shaukat Khanum Hospitals by giving your Zakat. Your generosity can save families like ours and help Shaukat Khanum ease the burden of cancer."

– Hira's father



2022 at a Glance



New therapies launched at SKMCH&RC, Lahore

Shaukat Khanum Memorial Cancer Hospital and Research Centre in Lahore has expanded its nuclear medicine services by launching treatment for neuroendocrine cancers with Lu-177 DOTATATE and for metastatic prostate cancer with Lu-177 PSMA (Prostate Specific Membrane Antigen). These novel therapies involve injection of a radio-labelled isotope into the bloodstream of affected patients. The isotope targets the tumour tissue and delivers radiation therapy directly to the cancer cells. As a comprehensive cancer centre, it is part of our mission to provide the best possible treatment to all cancer patients, regardless of their financial capabilities, including those suffering from less common, advanced-stage cancers.



Shir Ahmad, the first patient who received Lu-177 dotatate therapy at SKMCH&RC, Lahore.

Updates from SKMCH&RC, Peshawar

Clinical activities at Shaukat Khanum Memorial Cancer Hospital and Research Centre in Peshawar have continued to expand, with outpatient visits increasing by more than fifty percent since 2021. Two more operating rooms have been commissioned, enabling us to cater to increasing patient activity. Some of the services that were scaled up include paediatric chemotherapy including intrathecal chemotherapy and endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP) - a service using endoscopy and x-rays to diagnose and treat problems in the liver, gallbladder, bile ducts, and pancreas.



Sponsor a Cancer Patient

“And whoever saved a life, it would be as though he (or she) saved all mankind” Quran

The Sponsor A Cancer Patient Programme (SACPP) allows you to assume direct responsibility for the treatment of one or more named cancer patients. As a prospective sponsor, you will be provided with profiles of patients as well as the expected treatment costs, which you can pay up-front as a lump sum or in instalments within two years. You may choose to sponsor part of the treatment (diagnostics, surgery, radiation, chemotherapy), or complete treatment cost, in which case you will receive quarterly updates on your patient's progress. For more information, contact us on fundraising@skm.org.pk

Ongoing finishing work at SKMCH&RC, Karachi



Inside the new Walk-in Clinic at SKMCH&RC, Karachi



An external view of SKMCH&RC, Karachi



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Events & Activities



Prominent cycling clubs of Lahore, in collaboration with Shaukat Khanum Memorial Trust, participated in the official 5k challenge by the Union for International Cancer Control (UICC) to mark World Cancer Day (Feb 4th)



Students and cancer patients celebrate the 28th anniversary of SKMCH&RC, Lahore



A young cancer patient with Ahsan Javaid, a survivor of childhood cancer who now works at Shaukat Khanum Hospital, together at "Children's Mela" that was organised at SKMCH&RC, Lahore, to mark International Childhood Cancer Day.

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