

## **Audience questions from the ICMDA webinar with Dr Mhoira Leng - Palliative care in low resource and fragile settings - 23 February 2023**

1. Rachael: Wwhat about syringe pumps? Are there any countries that do particularly well or badly with them? In some Asian countries, I find accessing enough (or indeed any) supplies of injectables especially opiates a challenge.
2. Ronald: Can you elaborate more about the place of palliative care and climate change
3. Rachael: How does Cairdeas work with other organisations? Could we approach you about partnerships?
4. Howard: What ways can we mobilise ordinary church members with no healthcare background to get involved in providing palliative care to those in our church and community who are in need?
5. Rumbidzai: As a Christian practitioner how do you approach healing vs palliative care conversation?
6. Rachael: How can we address the 'dangling of cures' - in exchange for vast amounts of money from incredibly poor families, that some local doctors seem to insist on offering patients who are clearly in the last few months, weeks, even days of life? The non-evidence based offering of chemotherapy and even immunotherapy for people who are beyond the curative window just breaks my heart.
7. Anonymous: As a Christian, how do you have conversations about death and healing and palliative care?
8. Shashi: I'm working for a palliative care department in India with Emmanuel Hospital Association, could you please tell us how we can approach others about their wrong beliefs.
9. Nijs: Thank you for reminding us that by attending to the sick Christians are fulfilling 'I was sick and you visited me', even before we apply any specific skills in palliative care, as illustrated by the example you gave of the lady who asked for you not to stop coming to see her. This will help and encourage me in non-palliative medical situations also, especially when I feel rushed and tired.
10. Yulia: What do you suggest are the most critical education-training needs of nurses who serve in palliative care in countries where palliative care is not advanced as Europe or the US?
11. Marie: As a palliative care nurse in Lebanon, do you have interventions or connections in Lebanon?
12. Lameck: There is an issue of culture - how do you go about it? You may find that in some communities you may have difficulty in approaching them.
13. Robbie: Working as a team and having debriefing meetings helps cope with this job!