

## DIPLOMA IN CLINICAL PALLIATIVE CARE



This course is aimed at registered medical officers, nurses and midwives who seek skills in the holistic assessment and management of pain, symptoms, psychosocial and spiritual issues among cancer and HIV patients. On graduation they are considered specialists in palliative care.

<b>Programme Title:</b>	Diploma in Clinical Palliative Care
<b>Final Award:</b>	Diploma in Clinical Palliative Care (DipCPC)
<b>Awarding Institution:</b>	Institute of Hospice & Palliative Care in Africa (IHPCA)
<b>Teaching Institution:</b>	Institute of Hospice & Palliative Care in Africa (IHPCA)
<b>Programme Accredited by:</b>	Uganda National Council of Higher Education
<b>Fees:</b>	\$2400
<b>Payment Structure:</b>	For fee-paying students payment can be made in full at registration or a 50% payment made at the commencement of each semester.
<b>Scholarships/Grants:</b>	See "FUNDING AND SCHOLARSHIPS" link

<b>Entry Requirements:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a clinical officer registered with their affiliated professional body in the country where they work.</li> <li>• Must be a nurse or midwife registered with their affiliated professional body in the country where they work.</li> <li>• Minimum of three years working experience in a clinical setting</li> </ul>
<b>Duration:</b>	1 year
<b>Frequency of Intake:</b>	Once per year
<b>Mode of Study:</b>	<p>This is a one-year full time course based at Hospice focused on trainees gaining clinical experience with the hospice clinical teams at all three Hospice locations, both urban and rural.</p> <p>Trainees conduct placements with other specialist and general palliative care service providers.</p> <p>Trainees return to their districts for the last two months. During this period trainees are expected to apply their Training of Trainers (TOT) skills to carry out palliative care services, research and training sessions to other health professionals.</p> <p>It is recommended that employers of the participants guarantee a minimum of 2 years working in palliative care after graduation to avoid losing the acquired skills to the patients in need.</p>
<b>Programme Objectives:</b>	Graduates of this course will be certified prescribers of oral morphine and other palliative care drugs in Uganda. Graduates of this course from other countries may not be recognised as prescribers by other governments in Africa.
<b>Programme Outcomes:</b>	<p>Trainees are equipped with the skills to assess and manage pain.</p> <p>Trainees are equipped with skills in prescribing oral morphine and other palliative care drugs.</p>
<b>Assessment:</b>	<p>Continuous Assessment – 50%</p> <p>Final Exam with practical component -50%</p>

