



Cancer Association of Namibia

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DONATION FEE STRUCTURE INTRODUCED AT HOUSE ACACIA INTERIM HOME

Interim homes form a key component of cancer treatment and at the Cancer Association of Namibia's "House Acacia" and "CHICA Interim Home" we aim to provide caring "homes of hope" for those receiving treatment.

Patients make House Acacia their home during their 6-weekly treatment plans, or for follow-up checks in preventing the spread of cancer. Our patients hail from over 24 main residential hubs nationwide and include the full spectrum of the Namibian house.

We pride ourselves in honouring culture, diversity and focusing on the core aspect of cancer treatment – *"Supporting the individual and embracing the cancer journey together"*

The operations of the two interim homes equate to some of the largest portions of support expended to support cancer patients. Namibians from all corners of the country have been accommodated free of charge and provided with three nutritional meals and transportation daily until now.

House Acacia can accommodate 35 patients while they are receiving treatment in Windhoek, and since January 2019, our beds have been fully occupied, with a growing waitlist.

Regretfully, the prevailing economic climate in the country, increases in food prices, higher municipal tariffs and soar in patient numbers needing assistance, has necessitated the Cancer Association of Namibia to implement a nominal donation structure to allow us to keep our doors open and continue providing this critical function and all services related thereto, in respect to the homes.

Consequently, as of 1 March 2019, patients needing accommodation support will be requested to make a donation of N\$150 per day to cover some of the costs incurred towards preparations of the three meals provided. Accompanying spouses shall be required to make a donation of N\$250 per night subject to availability of beds. This amount is anticipated to cover at least some of the meal expenses and lodgement.

Patients will be provided with a formal documentation that can be presented to their medical aids to claim back these amount afterwards, should they have this option.

Patients who are not able to make the required donation are encouraged to apply with CAN's Patient Financial and Accommodation Assistance Programme with Ms Martha Angolo at health2@can.org.na or 061 237740 in advance.

The Patient Financial Assistance Programme traditionally assisted patients with transport support, financial help in terms of co-payments, monthly subsidies, nutritional food supplements and/or outstanding hospital/medical accounts. It therefore continues to play a vital role despite of, and in fact especially in view of the current Namibian climate, to those who require such assistance. Support may be provided subject to the policies and guidelines currently in place and as may be further approved and implemented by the board of directors from time to time.

We look towards receiving your support in order to keep our homes adept.

Inquiries in this regard can be directed to the Chief Executive Officer at help@can.org.na



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