

# ACCREDITATION AND DESIGNATION PROGRAMME FOR CANCER INSTITUTES

#### WHAT IS ACCREDITATION?

Accreditation is a process in which an independent organisation evaluates a health care provider and certifies that the provider meets validated quality standards.

An accrediting organisation's survey includes an evaluation of the provider's clinical organisation structure, as well as other aspects of the provider's operations such as administration, personnel management and information management.

OECI has specialised its A&D programme on multidisciplinary, global and integrated cancer care and research with a major focus on comprehensiveness.

## WHO SHOULD BECOME OECI ACCREDITED AND DESIGNATED?

Any OECI cancer centre that provides research, education, care services to cancer patients and that is willing to become a recognised member of our OECI cancer community.

#### WHY SHOULD A CANCER CENTRE BECOME OECI ACCREDITED AND DESIGNATED?

Voluntary accreditation has been available for some time to specific parts of oncology care process, as medical equipment suppliers but more than 12 OECI cancer centres have started the OECI A&D process covering the total organisation.

Within the EurocanPlatform 7FP NoE, all participating Centres will be requested to take part in the OECI A&D programme. The OECI offers a tool to cancer centres who seek quality improvement and recognition within the cancer community (patients, funders, regulatory bodies, governments, cancer health policy planners, research partners) to achieve a label of high quality care integrated to research and education.

## WHEN MUST A CANCER CENTRE BE ACCREDITED AND DESIGNATED?

The accreditation process is likely to take an average 12 months, shorter or longer in some cases.

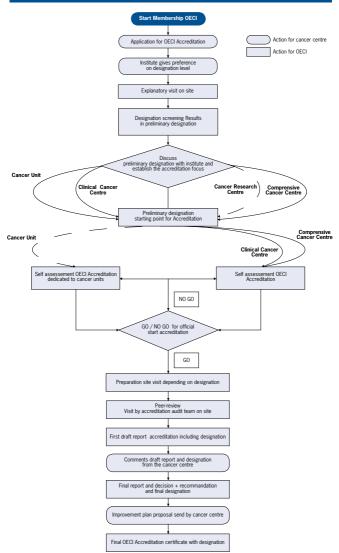
The self assessment system provides a tool for estimating the readiness of the centre. The cancer centre should have reached a minimum level of quality and organisation in order to fulfil the process and be accepted on board the accreditation programme for external evaluation.

The OECI A&D team establishes a precise timeline agreed with each cancer centre applying for the programme in order to allow the necessary time for the preparation and completion of the self-evaluation, peer-review, report and final designation.

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#### **Accreditation and Designation Flow-chart**



# **Accreditation/Designation Website and Newsletter**

If your institute is interested to apply in the programme, please find the application form, information about the programme and the OECI Accreditation and Designation Newsletter on:

# http://oeci.selfassessment.nu



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