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Enhancing Access to Palliative Care Worldwide

# **Teaching One Reaches Multitudes** *The Ripple Effect of Training a Palliative Care Provider*

Anna Ayugi is a second-year master's student at the Institute of Hospice and Palliative Care in Africa (IHPCA) at Makerere University in Uganda. As a recipient of the Global Partners in Care and African Palliative Care Association's African Palliative Care Education Scholarship, Anna has been able to focus on her skill development rather than scraping together money to fund her education. "The course is beneficial in my palliative care work to date because so far, I have gained more knowledge, skills and competency in the field of palliative care. Also, it has equipped me with better teaching skills and how to deliver my sessions in palliative care to my students as a tutor."



Anna with some of her nursing students at the Soroti School of Comprehensive Nursing in eastern Uganda.

Anna is a nurse and tutor at Soroti School of Comprehensive Nursing in eastern Uganda. She likes teaching and mentoring students – a crucial component of building palliative care capacity. She continues to work while she is doing this master's degree and is learning more valuable skills and lessons she can pass on to her students in Soroti.

"The teaching and mentorship in palliative care course unit has helped me to gain more information on educational methods, assessment of learners and curriculum development. This particular course unit has enabled me to gain more knowledge and skills on how to assess the needs of training and how to design, implement and evaluate a palliative care training program. Additionally, I have learnt about mentoring."

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The International Children's Palliative Care Network (ICPCN) is a global organization working to improve access to palliative care to the 21 million children worldwide with life-limiting and life-threatening conditions. Globally, it is estimated that 95% of those children in need of palliative care have little to no access to it. ICPCN recognizes the need to make training on children's palliative care accessible and affordable to all who need training. They have developed several short courses which are available on their website in a number of different languages. Learn more at <a href="https://www.elearnicpcn.org/">https://www.elearnicpcn.org/</a>.



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https://conference.pcauganda.org/



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## African Palliative Care Education Scholarship Fund

In partnership with the African Palliative Care Association, we offer a limited number of scholarships each year to health care workers, like Anna, to train in palliative care. The demand for specialized palliative care training in Africa is high and we want to continue to grow our reach. Some schools report that up to 50% of admitted palliative care students do not enroll because of financial difficulty.

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