



# R4HC-HU Team Palliative Care Working Group Update

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# Ongoing projects

- C-POS
- Palliative care workshop in February 27-28, 2020
  - Participants 100, from Universities, MOH Hospitals, MOH Pall. Care Dept, MOH CC Dept)
- Literature review
- KII
- What is the preparedness and capacity of palliative care services in the Middle East and North Africa to respond to COVID-19? A rapid survey

# Literature review: Palliative care in Turkey

- Palliative care in Turkey
- Coverage 2000-2019
- Draft will be finalized by the end of September 2020

# Key informant interview on Palliative in Turkey

- Aim: Stakeholder views on the current status and future of PC in Turkey
- 23 interviews completed

# Children's Palliative care Outcome Scale (C-POS) Update

- To develop a novel person-centred outcome measure (PCOM) for children and young people affected by life-limiting and life-threatening conditions.
- 52 in-depth semi structured interviews (25 patients, 15 caregivers, 12 healthcare staffs).
- All interviews are transcribed.
- 45 interviews are translated.

# Future projects

- Continue on pediatric palliative care research in collaboration with KCL & KHCC
- An analysis on the need of palliative care in pediatric cancer patients
- Invest on the promotion of palliative care at national level
  - Advocacy, working w/ partners, working w/ government

Thanks