

national association of parents of children with cancer

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

Margaret Mead

About us

Founded in 2003 in Belgrade by parents of children treated of cancer.

Member of the International Parent Association CCI Childhood Cancer International.

Since 2008 a proud partner of "AGEOP Ricerca" from Bologna.

In 15 years more than EUR 3 million invested in pediatric hemato-oncology sector in Serbia.

Continuously improving and inspiring social responsibility and philanthropy.

Head office in Belgrade, offices in Novi Sad and Nis.

About childhood cancer

Every day one child in Serbia is diagnosed with cancer.

Every week one child dies of cancer in Serbia.

Cancer is the main cause of death in children, when it comes to diseases.

Children are treated in 6 centers in Serbia - 3 hospitals in Belgrade, one in Novi Sad, one in Nis and one in Kragujevac

In EU, a very high percentage of children finish their treatment successfully. Serbia has much space to improve the conditions for treatment, as well as to empower social community awareness and support.

How we help?

We provide psychological and social support. This includes free of charge accommodation for families during treatment, on a day basis available psychologist and social worker, free of charge transfers to therapy, weekly workshops for parents and children and support in achieving social rights for parents and children.

We aim to provide the best possible conditions in hematology and oncology departments throughout the entire country.

We educate parents, children, medical staff, volunteers and invest huge efforts in public advocacy.

In addition, we provide support after the treatment during the rehabilitation phases, which includes 8 rehabilitation camps per year.

We also don't leave behind the families who lost their beloved ones. Our team of psychologists runs an important project of monitoring and providing support for these parents, who are unfortunately often invisible for the system.

Parent houses

Five parent houses - three in Belgrade, one in Novi Sad and one in Nis, where children's oncology departments are situated.

Making the long period of children's treatment easier for the families who live outside of these cities.

We take care of our small and big house guests, organize their transportation to the hospital and back, as well as many other useful and fun activities.

We take care of the house maintenance (home repairs, wall painting, lawn mowing, backyard maintenance, new furniture and appliances).

The approximate cost, covered from donations, for monthly stay per one family is around EUR 200.





The little magician in the Parent house, Belgrade







Rehabilitation camps

Most of the parents cannot afford the adequate rehabilitation for their children after the treatment, we have designed and started our own rehabilitation camps.

Ivanjica, Kopaonik, Moscow, Fuzine in Croatia, Dinamo in Italy, Pakostane in Croatian seaside.

These camps are places where a specialized teams of experts and volunteers heple children to regain their self-confidence, resocialize and get motivated to embrace life in its wholeness.

Since 2020 NURDOR owns a rehabilitation campus on Fruska Gora, a small mountain in north Serbia. The object is wholly renovated and designed for stay of two families. The house will be used for weekly rehabilitation programs for entire families of children treated with cancer.



The international Summer Camp "Love and Hope" Ivanjica





The Children Winner Games, Moscow





Improving the quality of treatment

We are continuously providing medical equipment for the oncological departments, with the help of our donors and friends.

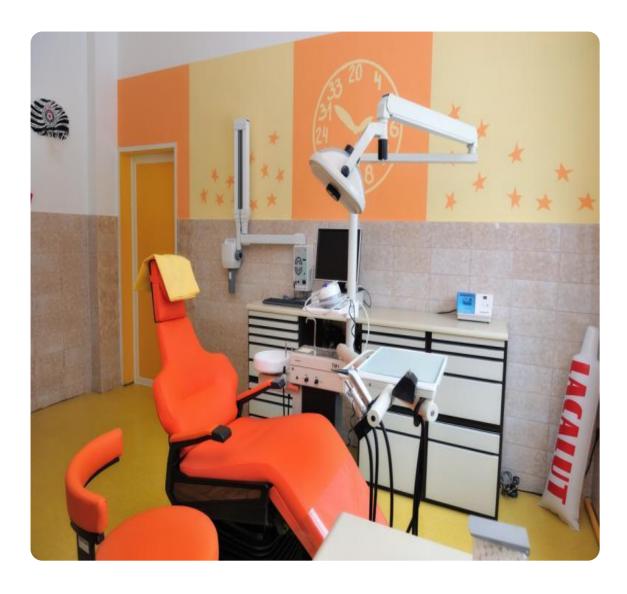
We have delivered microscopes, infusion pumps, patient-monitors, laminar chambers, aspirators, high-precision scales, blood pressure monitors, laminar chambers, infusion stands, mattresses, bed linen, washing machines, dryers, fridges, freezers, air-conditioners, microwave ovens...

The overall funds invested in this segment during the first 15 years of NURDOR are estimated to around EUR 3 million.

Major projects in mproving the quality of treatment

We helped equipping and opening of the first specialized dental clinic for children with cancer within the Hospital for Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry, Faculty of Dentistry in Belgrade.

In the period of 2014 – 2018 we have initated, financed and conducted building of new hemato-oncological department of the Hospital for Children's Internal Diseases in Nis.





New hospital in Niš

The hospital is a first of its kind in Serbia and the region. It has 750 square metres, brand new medical equipment, playrooms for kids, each room is colourful and joyful with its own bathroom and a bed for parent.

The total value of the project was over RSD 100 milion, out of which NURDOR provided, through donations, over RSD 70 million. Through different fundraising activities the citizens of Serbia donated more than a half of the total funds.

For the first time in our country there is a possibility for a child to receive the chemotherapy while playing. This helps in reducing fear, stress and improves child's the overal reaction to therapy.





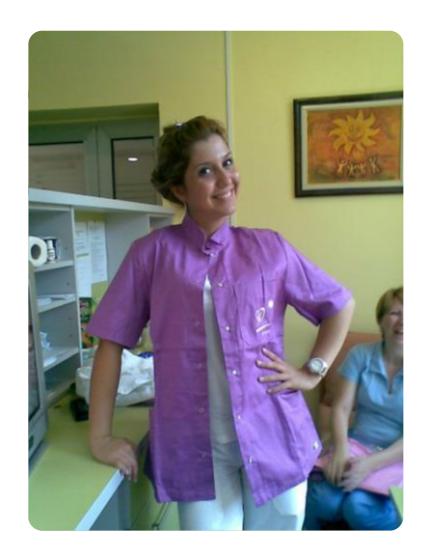




Additional investments

We have replaced white uniforms in all hospitals with bright colored uniforms in an effort to alleviate the fear of our little patients. Hemato-oncological department of the University Children's Clinic now has new windows, new furniture and special medical floors and much more.

The department in Kragujevac was fully renovated in 2018, while the playroom on hemato-oncology in Novi Sad was reconstructed and equiped in 2019.









Laminar flow chamber for cytostatic drugs mixing, Institute for Health Protection of Children and Youth of Vojvodina

The rights of little patients

Main goal – to make it possible for children with cancer and their parents to achieve their rights in having the best possible treatment and care.

NURDOR has initiated the change of legal acts regulating rehabilitation of children treated with cancer, so that families are now entitled to state-funded rehabilitation after the treatment.

In 2019 we have finally succeded in our battle to amend the Law on health insurance. Before this amendment the parents could take work leave for only 4 months with 60% of salary. Now, they can be legally absent from work as long as the child's treatment lasts with 100% salary.

We still fight for the contemporary medical treatment conditions and sufficient number of medical staff as well as the forming of children cancer registry.

Education of parents, medical staff, teachers, volunteers

We organize educational seminars for the medical staff, teachers, parents and volunteers.

Thanks to our friends, AGEOP RICERCA from Bologna, we have managed to organize a series of educational workshops for the staff, parents and volunteers in Italy and Serbia.

All educational programmes are carried out by a team of experts.





The seminars for volunteers, Belgrade 2019



The first joint educational seminars for the medical staff from all the five hemato-oncological departments

Our work in numbers

- 2 affiliates in Novi Sad and Niš
- 3 playrooms on hemato-oncological departments
- 4 seminars for the medical staff from all five hemato-oncological departments
- 5 parent houses in the treatment centres
- 15 years of dedicated work
- 20 rehabilitation camps for children and youth
- more than 20 publications
- over 200 promotional activities for raising public awareness
- over 500 educational workshops for parents,
- 600 and more educated volunteers

and lives of children with cancer.

- more than 700 families engaged in our activities
- over 10.000 friends, 100.000 of volunteer working hours
- more than 300.000.000 RSD invested in the improvement of the quality of treatment



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