

# Eubiosia Project

## Organisational Models (T1-1-4), Care Pathways Implementation (T5-1-2) Fondazione ANT Italia Onlus, Bologna



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### Aspect of health care

Free cancer home care - Oncological Hospital at Home (OHH-ANT).

The collaboration developed between ANT and four different local health authorities (Bologna, Imola, Ferrara and Modena) is based on the principle of subsidiarity, where a subject of the Third Sector (NPO) with a strong base of professional caregivers, provides a service of welfare services to cancer patients.

OHH-ANT offers medical care: cancer, palliative and specialist care. Assistance carried out by different experts, including physicians, nurses, psychologists, nutritionists, physiotherapists, chemists, welfare worker. They are freelance and their fee is fully covered by ANT Foundation.

OHH-ANT supplies to the cancer patients all necessary health care, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, all year round, holidays included.

Counselling: psychologists for the management of bereavement, family and medical staff support.

Home artificial nutrition service; PICC (Peripherally Inserted Central Catheter).

OHH-ANT CHILDREN is a cancer pediatric home care.

### Aspect of social care

ANT provides cancer patients with the drugs not reimbursable by public health system.

Door to door service: free transport of the patient from home to hospital and back for instrumental tests can not be handled at home, free transport for day hospital admission.

Bedridden bath and personal care.

Cleaning of bedsheets, blankets and clothes including collection and delivery.

Delivery health aids service: orthopaedic beds, infusion pumps, wheelchairs etc.

Home Project: Toll Free Number for oncological and psychological questions.

Library at home: ANT delivers books, DVDs to the patients.

### Objectives of initiative

ANT's main goal is to offer free of charge health and social home care to cancer patients, in particular elderly people (average 72 y) and their families, guarantying the most suitable and qualified health care together with complete health service and welfare work both for the patient and for his/her family.

### Methods

The structural model of ANT provides the Patients with a free-of-charge 24 hours assistance. The full-time staff of physicians, nurses and psychologists of the ANT-OHH is organized in functionally autonomous groups based on the model of a hospital ward. The acceptance of the Patients in ANT-OHH depends only on the diagnosis of the cancer and the request of the GP.

insuring operational continuity of the Hospital-at Home and the distribution of welfare benefits for the Suffering, totally free of cost.

### Results

Total of cancer patients (in advanced fase) in the Province of Bologna : 4800; ANT takes care of 1000 patients in collaboration agreement with the Public Health



### Innovation, Impact

The involvement of a NPO subject brings, necessarily, economic and ethical benefits for the community.

The lower costs generated in the development of oncology free home care provided by ANT (less than 20 euro per day) do not depend solely on the degree of ef-

ficiency of its structure, but also the added value donated by voluntary component.

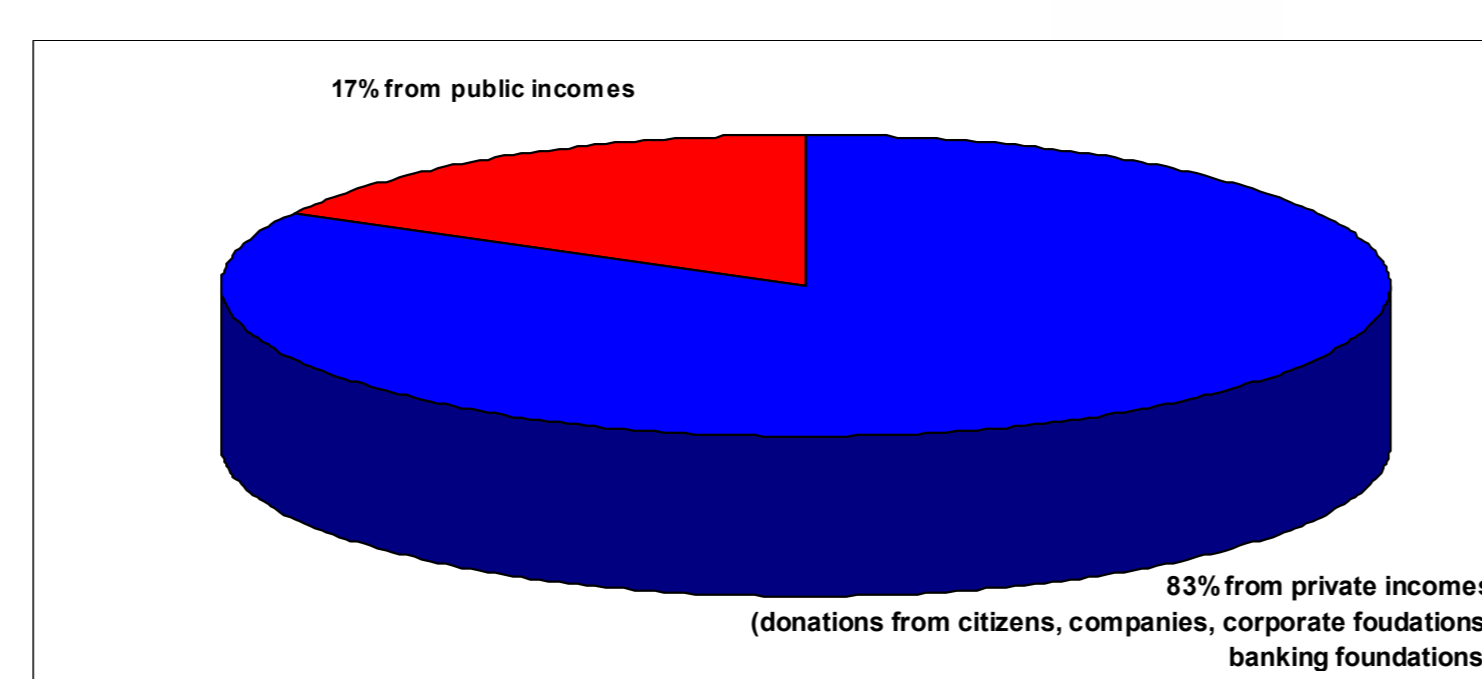
### Conclusions

The ANT home care, provides evidence of the possibility of an integration between private social of the third sector and national health system granting continuity of care for cancer patients with advanced cancer.

The current capacity of ANT to assist their patients in nine Italian regions, testifies to the replicability of the model described here. Assess the specificity of the context on which you operate and appearance, more relational, building partnerships, ANT will draw on its experience and its know-how to enable the transfer of "Best Practice" also in a European context.

The domiciliary care allows to take action on these diversified needs of the patient and his family reducing the suffering, the discomfort, the sense of isolation of both.

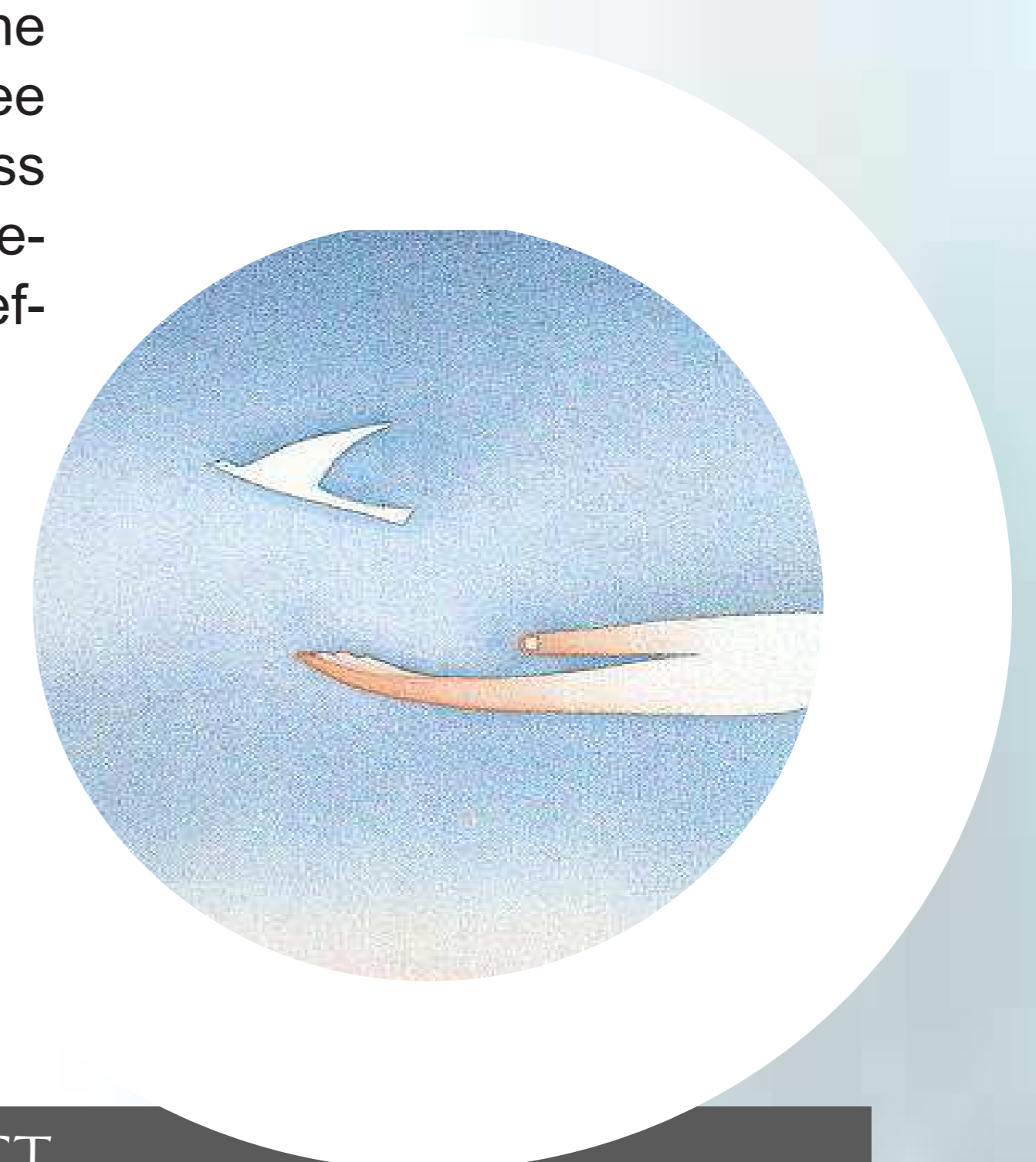
### Funding Source



A balanced budget between Home Care Service costs and contributions received through territorial solidarity channels (public sector donations, fund raising organized by volunteers, institutional contributions and donations). This is the basis for

### Dignity of life

Acknowledgement and affirmation of one's and other people's rights with love



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