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TWO DAY NATIONAL
CONFERENCE ON
PSYCHO-ONCOLOGY

2025

ON 31ST OCT & 1ST NOV, 2025



A THERAPEUTIC JOURNEY
THROUGH THE PSYCHE
OF CANCER



Academic Partner



**Division of Psycho-Oncology
MALABAR CANCER CENTRE**

(Post Graduate Institute of
Oncology Sciences & Research)
An Autonomous institution
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Malabar Cancer Centre (Post Graduate Institute of Oncology Sciences and Research) is an autonomous institution under Health and Family Welfare Department, Government of Kerala. Established with a vision to deliver uncompromised professionalism and excellence, MCC (PGIOSR) provides world-class cancer treatment, research, and education. With a patient-centered approach, it offers a comprehensive cancer care to individuals across Kerala and neighboring states.

Since its inception in 2017, the Psycho-Oncology Division at MCC (PGIOSR) has been instrumental in integrating psychological care into the cancer treatment continuum. The division focuses on delivering psycho-social support, enhancing coping strategies, and strengthening communication to improve the quality of life of patients and their families—from prevention and diagnosis to treatment, survivorship, and palliative care. Through dedicated clinical services, training, and research, the division is committed to advancing holistic and compassionate cancer care.

As part of the **Silver Jubilee celebrations of MCC (PGIOSR)**, the Division of Psycho-Oncology is pleased to announce their third National Conference - **MIND CAN 2025** with the theme **A Therapeutic journey through the Psyche of Cancer** on **31st October and 1st November, 2025**. This academic gathering is endorsed by the **Psycho-Oncology Society of India (POSI)** and will be a unique platform designed to bring together Psychologists, Psychiatrists, Social workers, Researchers, Allied health professionals, Oncologists, and students to engage in meaningful discussions around psycho-social interventions in oncology care.

We welcome you all to this Academic Fiesta

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Mr. Sobhith V. K.

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Ms. Neeha Jose

Ad-hoc Faculty in Psycho-Oncology

Ms. Fathima Shahma

Fellow, Psycho-Oncology

Parallel Workshops (Limited seats for each) 31st October, 2025 (1:30 pm to 4:30 pm)
Cognitive Behaviour Therapy for Cancer Patients (25 slots) Dr. Subathra Jeyaram Ms. Neeha Jose
Tobacco Cessation Counselling (30 slots) Dr. Surendran V Dr. Phinse Philip
Scientific Writing in Qualitative Research (40 slots) Dr. Mahati Chittem Dr. Gargi S Kumar Dr. Shweta Chawak
Genetic Counselling (25 slots) Genetic Clinic Team, MCC (PGIOSR)

Scientific Sessions 1st November, 2025 (9:00 am to 4:30 pm)
Psycho-Oncology: Past, Present, Future Psycho-sexual Interventions Family Interventions Interventions in Palliative Care Grief Therapy Neuropsychological Interventions Intervention for Childhood Cancer AI Based Interventions Panel Discussions and Symposiums

Instructions

- Parallel Workshops will be held from 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm.
- Participants can select their preferred workshop during registration.
- Each participant can attend only one workshop.
- Seats are limited for each workshop; early registration is encouraged.
- Workshop slots will be allotted on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- Once a workshop reaches its maximum capacity, registration for that workshop will be closed.

HOW TO REGISTER?			
Registration	Early Bird (Until 1 st October, 2025)	Late Reg (1 st to 20 th October, 2025)	Spot Registration
PG Students and Research Scholars (Psychology/ Social Work)	₹ 2000/-	₹ 2500/-	Not Available
Professionals, Academicians and Doctors	₹ 2500/-	₹ 3000/-	Not Available

- For registration : <https://mcconline.in/mindcan2025/>
- Delegates must enter their online payment details in the registration form.
- Students must present a valid ID card or a letter from their HOD at the registration desk on the day of the conference.
- Last date of registration: 20th, October 2025.

NB: We may close the conference online registration before the last date, if the registration exceeds the limit.

RESOURCE PERSONS

Dr. Surendran V

Professor & HOD, Dept. of Psycho-Oncology
and RCTC, Cancer Institute, Chennai

Dr. Subathra Jeyaram

HOD, Patient Well-being Department
Bahrain Oncology Centre
Royal Medical Services, Bahrain

Dr. Mahati Chittam

Professor, Dept. of Liberal Arts
IIT Hyderabad

Ms. Savita Goswami

Clinical Psychologist & Psycho-Oncologist
Tata Memorial Center, Mumbai

Dr. Anish K R

Associate Professor, Dept. of Social Work,
Rajagiri College of Social Sciences, Kochi

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Vidyashilp University & Consultant,
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Abstract Submission: Poster/Oral/Symposium Presentation

- All abstracts related to Psycho-social Oncology are eligible for submission.
- Completed abstracts must be submitted to the
Email: psychooncologymcc@gmail.com
- For abstract submission guidelines (last date: 1st October, 2025):
<https://mcconline.in/mindcan2025/guideline.pdf>

CONFERENCE DETAILS

Date : 31st October (1:00 pm) to
1st November (4:00 pm), 2025

Venue : Malabar Cancer Centre (PGIOSR), Thalassery, Kerala

HOW TO REACH?

Nearest Railway Station : Thalassery

Nearest Airport : Kannur International Airport (KIAL)
Mattannur
Kerala (33 Km)

Nearest Bus Station : Thalassery (4 Km)

Nearest Bus Stop : Malabar Cancer Centre stop.

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