The Danish Cancer Society allocates DKK 15 million for research and development in integrated efforts on late effects for cancer patients in a collaboration between hospitals, municipalities, general practice and civil society

The proportion of the population living with a cancer diagnosis is increasing, and more than half of these cancer patients also live with late effects after disease and treatment. These late effects can be physical, psychological, social, and existential.

The Danish Cancer Society has allocated significant research funding for late effects research, including funding for establishing three national late effects centres, which are working to develop an evidence base for the management of late effects and models for the organisation of efforts in late effects. Late effects clinics have been established in some but not all regions, which results in inequality in the treatment programmes. In the municipalities, there is a great deal of interest in how and which late effects should and can be managed under municipal auspices. In addition, general practice has a role in detecting, counselling, referring, and treating non-complex late effects.

There is a need for research and development projects that can shed light on interfaces and collaborative relationships about late effects efforts between regional efforts, municipal efforts, general practice, and civil society, including a focus on whether inequality arises in connection with these efforts. Data from DMCG – the Multidisciplinary Cancer Groups – and other relevant data sources should be included in the projects.

The projects must contribute to a strengthened effort in late effects and provide recommendations on how to solve the tasks most appropriately in the collaboration between the sectors and for the benefit of the patients. Furthermore, the projects must contribute to how the dissemination of knowledge to patients and relevant actors in the health and social area can be optimised.

The Danish Cancer Society wants to support projects that

- Increases the prevalence and quality of efforts in late effects
- Supports initiatives that take place as close to the citizen's home as professionally relevant
- Are interdisciplinary or cross-sectoral and are either nationally based or have the potential to be rolled out nationally

Applications that contribute to strengthening research environments in the field of late effects more generally may also be considered.

Assessment

The applications will be assessed by 7 members from the Danish Cancer Society's Scientific Committee – People & Society (KBVU-MS), 3 members from the Patient and Relative Support Committee and 2 patient representatives. The assessment process is expected to be completed by the end of September 2024.

The Committee will, for example, focus on the project's quality, originality, and feasibility, among other things. It is a requirement that the results of the funded projects will be published in relevant scientific and professional journals.

Results of development and intervention projects, etc., are expected to be disseminated nationally and, if possible, internationally in relevant professional environments.

Practical information

The applicant must meet the requirements defined in the Danish Cancer Society's Ethical Guidelines.

In case of funding, the Danish Cancer Society's usual funding and accounting conditions will apply. The conditions are available on our website - please see below.

Support is subject to sufficient available Knæk Cancer 2024 funds. The organisation of the Knæk Cancer campaign is in week 43 in October.

Deadline

Thursday, 20 June 2024 at 15:00

The signature page must be signed and sent by e-mail to forskningsbevilling@cancer.dk

Application form

The application must be completed according to the "Funding possibilities and guidelines" via the electronic application form on our website www.cancer.dk/kc-midler.

For questions about the application form, please contact funding coordinator Anne Mette Bak at amb@cancer.dk or 3525 7257.

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