

Cancer is a disease that can affect anyone – but the same treatment options are not available to everyone.

Will you help
make cancer treatment
and prevention
available to everyone?

# Our Vision for Accessible Cancer Care

The Australian Centre for Cancer Equity (AcCE) is a collaborative partnership between the Ingham Institute for Applied Medical Research and the South Western Sydney Local Health District. Its aim is to improve the outcomes for people with cancer by providing equitable access to high-quality cancer care and effective prevention programs in South Western Sydney and beyond.

#### Our Focus areas:

AcCE has three key areas of focus to ensure the delivery of accessible cancer care.

- Responsive and Accessible Health Systems: Designing and delivering health systems that meet the needs of a diverse population
- <u>Prevention, Early Detection and Screening:</u> Developing culturally and socially appropriate programs to inform and engage people on cancer risks and prevention strategies, including early screening
- <u>Personalised Care and Medicine</u>: Using advanced technologies to tailor care based on individual characteristics, genetic profiles and improve treatments including immunotherapy

By supporting our research at Ingham Institute for Applied Medical Research, you can help change lives in our local community. And the lives of people around the world.

### Everyone deserves the best treatment Everyone deserves hope

Nadia\*, a recently arrived Syrian refugee and single mother of five, was adapting to her new life. Finding her way around our complex health system proved particularly challenging.

Nadia received her bowel cancer testing kit as so many of us do. What was this for? No-one had explained the cancer screening program to Nadia and why it was important to take the test.

Nadia finally did the test. The results indicated there was something wrong but what did that mean?

Managing the needs of five children, each with development health concerns, made scheduling a medical visit for herself a challenge.

It was only when Nadia noticed some troubling symptoms she finally went to the doctor.

By the time Nadia was referred to me, she had stage 4 bowel cancer and although she had treatment options, these were unlikely to cure her cancer.

Nadia's outcome may have been very different if appropriate support were available to help her navigate our complicated health system.



Professor Wei Chua,
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## You can help deliver accessible cancer treatments and save lives.

By supporting AcCE you are helping to change the lives of people with cancer in your local community and around the world.

### Key initiatives

- Prevention and Screening
  - Understanding risk factors to identify people at risk in the community
- Targeted Technologies
  - Build on current research to further develop precision oncology to treat cancer more effectively
- Clinical Trials
  - Undertake clinical trials within the community to introduce new techniques and treatments
- Achieving Equity in Cancer Outcomes
  - Provide culturally sensitive support to individuals to help them navigate the complex health system
- Strengthen Research Collaboration
  - Through collaboration both within Ingham Institute and with external organisations to accelerate the development of cancer research and innovation

Please join us and support groundbreaking medical research, saving lives in real time. *Miracles made possible by you.* 

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