All.Can Switzerland

Executive Summary

About All.Can Switzerland

All.Can Switzerland was created in 2018 as the national branch of the multi-stakeholder initiative All.Can International. All.Can Switzerland has been officially incorporated as an association since November 2019. As a multi-stakeholder organisation, our goal is to shape the provision of Swiss cancer care in a sustainable way and enhance its value for cancer patients.

"All.Can Switzerland co-operates with stakeholders in order to devise sustainable cancer care solutions. We and our partners are committed to enhancing patient benefits. Together we can do this."

An overview of 2021 milestones



2 board meetings and 4 steering committee meetings held



2 stakeholder workshops held



4 new members gained



Survey results of a project published



2 project proposals received and evaluated



3 new network partnerships gained

Growing membership and strengthened network

Numerous discussions with interested stakeholders were held once again in 2021. Thanks to this engagement we were able to welcome two new patient organisations (Childhood Cancer Research Foundation Switzerland and Sororis Switzerland), one pharmaceutical company (Gilead Sciences Switzerland Sàrl), and a representative from the university sector. You can find all members on our website. All.Can Switzerland is keen to expand its membership base continuously and involve all the relevant players in the field of cancer care.

In addition, All.Can Switzerland has entered into network partnerships with three initiatives in the Swiss healthcare area with a view to providing reciprocal support. These include Do Tank santeneXt, the ayacancersupport.ch platform for young cancer victims, and the DearMamma campaign to increase awareness of breast cancer.

Governance

Downsizing of steering committee and appointment of working groups

Due to growth in its membership, All.Can Switzerland restructured itself in 2021. This involved a downsizing of the steering committee for efficiency reasons. At the same time, three working groups with specific points of focus were set up: The Patient Engagement Working Group, the Data/Evidence Generation Working Group, and the Policy Engagement Working Group. These working groups are composed of members who bring expert knowledge of the relevant area. The new set-up should make it easier to pursue the vision of All.Can Switzerland in a more targeted way.

Current projects

Cancer Care in Central Switzerland

Under the stewardship of the University of Lucerne, a broad-based survey of cancer patients and their family members from central Switzerland was conducted in 2019/2020 as part of the "Cancer Care in Central Switzerland" project. In the spring and autumn of 2021, selected results from the patient survey of this project were published. In addition, the results were evaluated in depth in 2021 in order to generate ideas for measures to improve cancer care in central Switzerland and discuss these ideas in the context of dialogue events with cancer sufferers, family members, and specialists.

Outpatient network care through clinical nursing in oncology

In the summer of 2021, the project to promote an outpatient oncology network through clinical nursing in Canton Graubünden was officially launched. Progress of this project has been delayed by the Covid-19 situation. An initial interim report is expected in the spring of 2022.

Workshops

fmc Webinar on value-based cancer care

On 29 September 2021, the shared brainstorming workshop of the Swiss Forum for Integrated Care fmc and All.Can Switzerland took place. The webinar involved the participation of three high-level speakers, and was attended by some 80 participants from various healthcare areas. In the expert discussion with the speakers, success factors and stumbling blocks were identified, and the numerous questions put forward by the public were discussed.

Policy dialogue on the Needs Assessment Study

On 7 October 2021, an exchange of views on the results of the Needs Assessment Study took place in Bern with a small group of selected stakeholders from the healthcare and cancer areas. A second policy dialogue is planned for the first quarter of 2022 at which discussions will go into greater depth.

Publications

In 2021 too, reports appeared in leading media in connection with the research projects supported by All.Can.

Quality of life of cancer patients

Oliver Kessler, who heads up the "Cancer Care in Central Switzerland" project, reported in an article in Competence H+ Hospital Forum magazine about the background to the study. Selected results from the patient survey were also presented. The article appeared in the Competence H+ edition of May 2021, in German and French.