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Dear **Dr. Palaganas**:

The UP Open University (UPOU) Faculty of Management and Development Studies (FMDS) would like to invite physicians, nurses, and allied medical professionals from your institution to enroll in the online courses on pediatric palliative care, which can be accessed at [www.arugaproject.com](http://www.arugaproject.com) - the official website of Aruga sa Batang May Cancer (ABC) Initiative Program. The website will be open for public access starting **1 April 2019 (Monday)**. **Access to the courses is free until 31 January 2020.**

There are two online courses on offer. The **Pediatric Palliative Care Course for Physicians (PPCCP)** is designed for any physician engaged in the care of pediatric patients which can include pediatricians, pediatric hema-oncologists and family physicians, especially palliative care physicians. The **End-of-Life Nursing Education Consortium (ELNEC) Course** is designed for nurses and allied medical professionals. Both courses are open to all healthcare professionals, even those practicing outside pediatric oncology or palliative care.

Registration and log-in credentials are required to proceed to each course. A certificate will be awarded to anyone who completes a course. For further information, please see attached promotional brochures and poster.

We hope that you can help us promote our website and our Learning Management Systems both to your health professionals and to the caregivers of your pediatric cancer patients. For more information or any clarification, please email us at [abc\\_initiative@upou.edu.ph](mailto:abc_initiative@upou.edu.ph). Thank you.

Truly yours,

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