

TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

You will be aware of our ongoing association and partnership with the World Child Cancer (WCC) charity.

As part of our ongoing commitment to raise funds to support the efforts of WCC, we are supporting specific initiatives in certain countries.

Initially, we are looking to raise money to assist in a hospital development programme in Malawi.

Our goal is to raise €60,000, which will fund the whole programme in Malawi.

At Autopromotec 2017 in Bologna, we received donations and pledges of over €5000, which Sailun matched – an initial contribution of over €10,000!

But we need your help – your assistance, your involvement and your fundraising efforts.

Project location: Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital (QECH), Blantyre, Malawi

Twinning partners: Royal Victoria Infirmary (RVI) in Newcastle (England) and VU University Medical Centre (VUMC) in Amsterdam (Netherlands)



You can help us – so we can grow up and enjoy our futures. Please help!



Background: Malawi is one of the poorest countries in the world, and was the first programme that World Child Cancer started supporting in 2009. QECH is the main teaching hospital in Malawi, providing tertiary healthcare to the region.

Healthcare provided by the hospital is free but government funding is not sufficient to cover all of the costs incurred by patients and there is very little support available for families. The infrastructure in the country is under-developed and most of the population are extremely poor, struggling to cover the costs of travel, food and treatment.

Therefore, funding provided by World Child Cancer covers a range of activities – from medical essentials such as chemotherapy and pain relief drugs, to supporting salaries of doctors and nurses working at QECH in the oncology ward, to transport, food and accommodation costs for families whose children are undergoing treatment.

QECH is “twinned” with the Royal Victoria Infirmary (RVI) in Newcastle and VU University Medical Centre (VUMC) in Amsterdam.

What does twinning mean? A core element of the programme model is that WCC build and fund partnerships which link together hospitals in the developing world with childhood cancer units in developed countries. What makes these partnerships possible is that many of the world's leading hospitals, doctors and nurses give their time for free – training healthcare professionals around the world where they are needed most. This voluntary medical aid enables WCC to fund vital services and tools to ensure children and their families receive the support they need.

The Royal Victoria Infirmary has been supporting the Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital in Blantyre, Malawi, for many years alongside VUMC. Staff from RVI have been regular visitors to QECH and have also established an innovative online link to a microscope camera in Blantyre, which enables a pathologist in Newcastle to quickly confirm a diagnosis at a distance.



Allocation of funds in Malawi:

Sailun would be the principal funder of the Malawi programme in 2017-18.

We are looking to raise €60000 for the Malawi programme – further details of some of the areas that funding will support are shown here.

We need your help.

We would like you to raise money for WCC in Malawi – you can do however you want – incentives, donations, events – it is your choice and your opportunity to embrace your colleagues, customers and drivers with a very special fundraising effort. There will be a special recognition event for the top fundraisers – details to follow.

Budget Item	Description	%
Patient support	Food & transport for patients; welcome packs for new patients; pathology costs; drug costs	40
Training	Twinning visits by international experts; mentoring and development of staff; travel to conferences	20
Staffing	Salaries of lead doctors, nurses and a data manager working in the paediatric oncology unit	20
Maintenance	General equipment e.g. ultrasound machines, infusion, upkeep and maintenance costs	20



Please help us to help the children of Malawi.

Thank you.

Please watch this [VIDEO](#) and help us.