Cancer pain relief and palliative care for children with neoplasms.

Pediatrics

ETCS credits: 1

Stage of study: 8-9 semester

Type and length of course:
Practicals: 5 hours
Seminars: 10 hours
Total: 15 hours

Coordinator of the elective course: Katarzyna Derwich; MD
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Chair/Department: Department of Pediatric Oncology, Hematology and Transplantation;
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Course objectives:
Learning to talk with a child diagnosed with cancer and its parents. Learning how to treat the pain in a child with cancer. Conversations with parents and child hospitalized due to cancer, learn how to inform children and parents about the diagnosis, as well as about the treatment and prognosis in cancer.

Course content:
3. Assessment of pain.
5. The use of analgesics: in accordance with the ladder, in accordance with the clock, to the best route of administration, in accordance with the child.
7. Adjunctive Therapy: antidepressants, anticonvulsants, neuroleptics, sedatives, hypnotics, anxiolytics, antihistamines, corticosteroids, other.
8. Ethical aspects related to cancer pain, including childcare dying, euthanasia, persistent therapy.
9. Vocational education and social, legal and organizational aspects (hospitals, clinics, hospices and home care).

References:
1. Philip A. Pizzo, David G. Poplack: “Principles and Practice of Pediatric Oncology”.
   Lippincott Williams&Wilkins (fifth edition), 2006

Form of final assessment: based on active participation and attendance