INTERACTION AND SOLIDARITY... WORLDWIDE

2002-2022 ~ 20 YEARS OF COMMITMENT
Soleterre is a non-profit organization that works for the recognition and application of the right to health in its broadest meaning.

For this reason, in addition to providing medical care and assistance, it is committed to the protection and promotion of psycho-physical well-being of everyone, both individually and collectively, at any age and in any part of the world.

Prevention, report and the fight against inequality and violence, whatever the cause that generates it, are an integral part of Soleterre’s activity: because health is social justice.
Since 2002, we guarantee the right to health and life of children and adolescents with cancer. Every sick child needs to grow up to beat cancer. To increase the chances of healing, in addition to improving diagnosis and medical therapies, we take care of the emotional, psychological and relational well-being of the child and his family.
We were busy working on our priority programs when the war in Ukraine surprised us on the ground and we launched **Emergency in Ukraine – Immediate Relief Assistance**
Soleterre is working in Ukraine since 2003, providing medical treatment, accommodation and psychological support to children with cancer and their families in Kiev and Lviv.

Since February 24th 2022 Kiev is under attack. There are many civilians on the run, the authorities advice those who are remaining to immediately find a safe shelter.

For children with cancer it was a tragic day: surgical interventions were suspended, and also chemotherapy sessions had to be re-scheduled. The priority now is to provide a safe shelter for children and their families, and ensure the continuity in medical treatment for cancer in Ukraine or abroad.
Ongoing actions:

1. Provision of special medicines for oncological children and war injured patients addressed to hospitals (Ukraine)

2. Structural and rehabilitation support for Children’s Hospitals (Ukraine)

3. Psychological support and psychiatric referral for refugees (Ukraine and Poland)

4. Psychological supervisions for medical and NGOs’ staff (Poland)

5. Psychological support for Ukrainian oncological pediatric patients in Rzeszow (Poland)
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Children’s Regional Clinic of Rzeszow (Pediatric Onco-Hematology Ward)

- Psychological support for children and parents/siblings/relatives (hospitals, houses, accomodation centers);
- Psychological support during recreational activities;
- Psychological support during hospice stayings for terminally ill patients.
Psychological support for Ukrainian oncological pediatric patients in Rzeszow (Poland)

Beneficiaries:

- 9 Children
- 15 Relatives (parents, siblings)

SOLETERRE Staff:

- 2 Ukrainian psychologists
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Main issues identified:

❖ Feelings of discrimination by Polish pediatric patients’ families;
❖ Lack of economical support for oncological treatments (both for Ukrainian refugees and Polish patients);
❖ Lack of proper accommodations for Ukrainian oncological pediatric patients;
❖ Access to education for Ukrainian children unable to attend schools for health reasons.
Thanks for your attention and support!

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