

The UNICANCER Charter



Only hospital group exclusively devoted to cancer care in France, UNICANCER has been created in 2010 by the French Comprehensive Cancer Centers and their Federation.

Constituting a national network with a regional meshing, the French Comprehensive Cancer Centers are private, non-profit healthcare establishments that participate in public hospital service. They ensure a threefold mission of:

- patient care
- research
- and training

UNICANCER is carrier of a model of oncology based on multidisciplinary, individualisation of treatments and research-healthcare continuum.

The UNICANCER model of integrated management in 10 points:

- 1** Equal access to quality healthcare for all
- 2** Operating modes that ensure equality and ethical practices, with management that conforms to agreed rates and no private practices
- 3** A patient-centred approach based on multi-disciplinary, comprehensive patient care and the research-healthcare continuum
- 4** A joint medical and scientific project in order to make scientific and organisational progress available to patients as rapidly as possible
- 5** Personalised medicine (targeted treatments, measures for support, etc.) and integrated patient management from screening and/or early diagnosis to post treatment follow-up
- 6** Regular integration of innovation through cooperation between research and healthcare, including input from human and social sciences
- 7** The patient/partner culture, which recognises the patients' competence and in-depth knowledge of their own bodies and illness (patient committees, observatory of patient expectations)
- 8** Dissemination of knowledge in the field of oncology to all healthcare professionals through initial and on-going training
- 9** The development of employees' skills at the Centers through career management
- 10** Regular benchmarking of the Group to assess quality and the relevance of practices, as well as the effectiveness of organizational structures