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Q1 Name of the organization:

Kenya Hospices and Palliative Care Association

Q2 The purpose of the organization:

To advocate and promote access to holistic quality palliative care services to all in Kenya including children and elderly

Q3 Information as to the programmes and activities of the organization in areas relevant to the human rights of older persons:

• Advocacy and awareness to the public, policy makers, health care institutions, training institutions and health care professionals on the need to incorporate palliative care across all ages including the elderly. This has created demand as well as an enabling environment for palliative care development.

• Training and education of both Health Care Professionals and Non Health Care Workers (volunteers included) to create a critical mass of knowledgeable and skilled workers delivering palliative care services to all patients in need including the elderly.

• Scaling up palliative care (PC) services by advocating for palliative care integration in all levels of care including the community level.

This will ensure the elderly will not travel for long distances to get the necessary care.

• Research in partnerships with various local, national and international organisations to continually generate evidence that will underpin service development

• Providing technical support to member institutions across the country and also setting up centers of excellence that provide clinical placements for PC including elderly support

• Working with medical, nursing and allied training institutions to include palliative care in their core curricula; training trainers of trainees (ToTs) and curricula development to ensure all patients including the elderly get care.

• Organizing biennial national palliative care conferences that brings together over participants from Kenya, Africa and the rest of the world to share best practices including care for the elderly.

Q4 Confirmation of the activities of the organization at the national, regional or international level:

• Increased access to palliative care services by supporting the development of palliative care and hospice providers from 14 in 2007 to over 70 in 2018 with an annual patient reach of 50,000.

• Supported the integration of palliative care in to the public health care system leading to over 35 public hospitals currently providing palliative care in Kenya.

• Increased the number of skilled palliative care providers in Kenya by training over 20,000 health care professionals in the introduction to palliative care certificate course.

Supported the Kenya Medical Training College (KMTC) - the largest public health care professionals training institution in Kenya to start a higher diploma in palliative care course for Nurses in 2013. To date over 75 nurses have since been trained and graduated.
Increased access to pain medications (Opioids) by; advocating for opioids (oral morphine) to be included in the Essential Medicines List (EML)-Kenya 2016. Though consulted efforts, KEHPCA has advocated for the Ministry of Health (MoH) Kenya to import morphine powder for use in health facilities providing palliative care, working with the American Cancer Society (ACS) and Kenyatta National Referral Hospital to start central manufacturing of oral morphine that is distributed to hospices and palliative care providers across the country.

• KEHPCA has also facilitated the development of key palliative care resources including:

o A National Palliative Care Training Curriculum in 2013;

o A Legal Aspect of Palliative Care Handbook- advocating for the legal needs and rights of patients with life threatening illnesses and their families. This has empowered patients to demand for palliative care; be able to write wills, plan for their children and choose their power of attorney where applicable. This has enabled the elderly demand for their rights

o Integrated palliative care into the Kenya National Patients' Right Charter

o Integration of palliative care and pain relief in the National Guidelines for Cancer Management; Bachelor of Science-Nursing (BScN) core curriculum; Diploma/Certificate in nursing core curriculum; Bachelor of Medicine & Surgery Core curriculum 2013 and Kenya National Strategy for the Prevention & Control of Non Communicable Diseases 2015-2020. Please see these resources here http://kehpca.org/publications/

Q5 A list of members of the governing body of the organization and their countries of nationality:

- Dr. John Weru -Chair- PC specialist
- Mrs. Ruth Were-Honorary Secretary-CEO of Nairobi Hospice
- Mr. Faustin Mgendi-Honorary Treasurer -Chairman; Founder of Coast Hospice
- Dr. Esther Munyoro, Head, Palliative Care Unit at (Anesthetic and palliative care doctor)
- Mrs. Saraphina Gichohi, Palliative care nurse
- Dr. Meshack Liru- pediatrician and Director
- Mr. Mohamed Jama, Chairman of board member of Eldoret Hospice.
- Mrs. Elizabeth Ndungu-Founder and CEO of Nakuru Hospice.
- Mr. Kiran Surthar -Cancer Patient survivor

NB: They are all from Kenya

Q6 List of financial sources and contributions, including governmental contributions:

Open Society Foundation and Open Society Initiatives East Africa: Core Funds, Advocacy and legal aspects in PC American Cancer Society: Support treat the pain project and radiotherapy for patients, strengthening organization capacity through SOURCE program

Ministry of Health: Seconded a Doctor to work for KEHPCA and has seconded health care workers to various palliative care sites, support PC units in hospitals and Hospices ,Identified a palliative care coordinator at National Cancer Control Program, Morphine reconstitution at Kenyatta National Hospital

Hospice and Community Care- Lancaster:Support KEHPCA to conduct site visits and technical support

Hospice Care Kenya:Support training in palliative care (Higher Diploma Course), Support setting up of palliative care services.

APCA: Through the small grants support, advocacy

KEHPCA Membership and Friends: Annual subscription and awareness creation

Q7 Copies of the annual or other reports of the organization with financial statements (File size limit is 16MB):

KEHPCA-Annual-report-2017.pdf (11.2MB)

Q8 Please attach additional copies if needed (File size limit is 16MB):	Respondent skipped this question
Q9 Please attach additional copies if needed (File size limit is 16MB):	Respondent skipped this question

Q10 A description of the membership of the organization, indicating the total number of members, the names of organizations that are members and their geographical distribution:

Kenya Hospices and Palliative Care Association is a membership organisation of palliative care providers in the country. Currently there are over 70 sites providing care. Kindly follow this link for more details:http://kehpca.org/hospices/

Q11 A copy of the constitution and/or by-laws of the organization (File size limit is 16MB):

Certificate of registration.pdf (639.6KB)

Q12 Please attach additional copies if needed (File size limit is 16MB):	Respondent skipped this question
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Q15 Website

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