



Fondazione ANT Italia Onlus - ANT Foundation Italy

About us

Founded in Bologna in 1978 by Professor Franco Pannuti, the non-profit organization, Fondazione ANT (ANT Foundation Italy), is one of the leading private organizations working in Italy in the field of palliative care and pain management. ANT provides free social-health assistance at home to cancer sufferers and, depending on the resources available in the local area, runs free of charge cancer prevention initiatives. ANT's philosophy can be summed up by the term "Eubiosia" (from the Greek "good life"), meaning overall quality to guarantee a dignified life right up until one's last breath.

The foundation, with its Head Office in Bologna, operates nationwide, through over 120 local groups, known as ANT Delegations, which are responsible for coordinating fundraising at local level.

Our work

Home assistance

ANT is the most experienced provider of free home care to tumour sufferers in Italy and Europe. Since 1985, ANT has assisted more than 110,000 sufferers, completely free of charge, in 20 home oncology clinics (ODO-ANT) in 9 Italian regions. There are currently 4,000 patients receiving care throughout Italy every day. ANT offers specialized care provided by 433 healthcare professionals, including doctors, nurses, psychologists, nutritionists, physiotherapists, social-health workers, pharmacists and other employees, who are able to provide patients with round the clock care, 365 days of the year. Since 1988 ANT has teamed this care with a psychology service to provide help, support and comfort to cancer sufferers and their families. Finally, to allow children to benefit from the medical, nursing and psychological care available at home, Bimbi in ANT (ANT for kids), the foundation's children's service was launched.

Social support

As far as resources will allow, ANT pays particular attention to the social aspects of care, providing patients' families with support services such as personal hygiene care, clean bed linen, financial aid to those families in need, and a home library and DVD service. The door-to-door service also allows for the transport of patients from their homes to hospital for routine check-ups, hospital admittance and outpatient treatments.

Prevention

ANT is committed to cancer prevention with free services available to diagnose early signs of skin cancer, thyroid tumours, and breast and gynaecological neoplasia. The mobile ANT outpatients clinic – "Bus della Prevenzione" (The Prevention Bus) allows the Foundation to provide mobile cancer prevention services. Thanks to the modern equipment on board, the ANT mobile outpatient clinic is able to provide free prevention check-ups, carried out by ANT healthcare specialists. So far, more than 116.000 people have been visited free of charge. The Foundation also runs awareness campaigns in schools.

Training

In line with the programme of Continuing Medical Education (CME), ANT organizes scientific courses and events to provide healthcare workers with their required annual training credits.

Research

The ANT Foundation's Department for Research and Scientific Development makes great use of a variety of clinical experience, to ensure that the level of care, both medically and in terms of overall wellbeing, is continually optimized.

How to support us

The work of the ANT foundation is only made possible thanks to the donations of private individuals, public organizations, banks and foundations. ANT also organizes fundraising events and activities, both nationally and locally, to raise funds. Donations can be made in the following ways:

- by credit card on our website, www.ant.it;

- by depositing your donation into our Post Office Account no.11424405;
- by depositing your donation into our Current Account: IBAN IT 57 N 06385 02563 07400000800P BIC IBSPIT2B;
- at our Head Office, local ANT delegations throughout Italy (locations on www.ant.it);
- by leaving a gift in your will (for information, please contact nicoletta.silvestri@ant.it);
- through the 5x1000 scheme: on your income declaration form (730, CUD, Modello Unico) in the section marked "5x1000 destination choice" and signing the box "Support for volunteer and other non-profit organizations etc." Under your signature, please insert the ANT Foundation's tax code, 01229650377. Do not mistake the 5x1000 scheme for the 8x1000 one; they are two separate "choices" and one does NOT exclude the other. There is no charge for donating through the 5x1000 scheme.

The 10 ANT moral values

1. Always consider life as a sacred and inviolable value.
2. Consider Eubiosia (the "good life") as a daily primary objective.
3. Welcome natural death as the natural end.
4. Consider each development of the disease as a reversible one.
5. Fight your own physical, moral and social suffering and that of others with the same commitment.
6. Consider all others similar to you as brothers.
7. The sufferer needs your understanding and solidarity, not your pity.
8. Avoid excesses.
9. Help the sufferer's relatives as well. Do not forget them even "afterwards".
10. Our "big" will be nothing without the "little" of many.

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