# National planning and policy improvement for advanced breast cancer patients in Kyrgyzstan





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"The SPARC grant will help us address the current lack of guidelines on management and treatment of metastatic breast cancer patients in Kyrgyzstan and the need for affordable drugs and palliative care. Women with advanced breast cancer (ABC) will benefit from this grant by receiving tools to control their case management and treatment options and by becoming directly involved in ABC national planning and policy improvement."



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### **Short description**

Development of treatment guidelines for advanced breast cancer (ABC) that can be included in the national cancer control plan, inclusion of drugs for ABC on the national essential medicine list, and production of an ABC cancer patients' guidance book.

#### **Abstract**

Breast cancer takes the first place among the cancer diseases in the Kyrgyz Republic, and almost 40% of cases are detected in late stages. The project will develop and implement treatment guidelines on ABC for healthcare professionals and patients, advocate for the inclusion of needed drugs in the national essential medicines list and inform and involve patients in ABC national planning and policy improvement. It will be performed in collaboration with the Ministry of Health. The project should result in the development of an ABC working group at the Ministry of Health, and approved Advanced (Metastatic) Breast Cancer resource-adapted management guidelines which will be included in the Kyrgyz national cancer control plan. In addition, resource adapted essential drugs and supplies for advanced breast cancer management will be included in Kyrgyz National Essential Medicines List, and an ABC patients' guidance book in Kyrgyz, Uzbek and Russian. In this way, women with ABC should benefit from the information and the national response and will receive tools to control their case management and treatment options.

#### Focus areas

National planning

#### **Stakeholders**

Patients, governement



