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### Comprehensive palliative care model for women with cancer in Ethiopia

I aim to design comprehensive palliative care model with continuum of care that links female cancer patients to resources at household, community and facility levels. The study will be a three year and three phased PhD project adopts an exploratory sequential mixed method design.

The first phase will explore and identify current practices, needs, and challenges of palliative care and opportunities for comprehensive care provision among women with cancer. This phase will be guided by socio-ecological model to discern practices, challenges and opportunities at different levels.

Based on the outcome of the first phase, in the second phase comprehensive palliative care model will be designed. This phase will be guided by world health organization stepwise framework, African experiences and Ethiopian national guideline.

The final phase aims to validate the model using the Delphi technique, expert review workshop, and community dialogue. Finally, I expect to have contextually sound, feasible and acceptable comprehensive palliative care model with continuum of care, policy brief focusing on the way forward to build up comprehensive and continuum of care elements, and three published research articles.

#### Research Task 2.2

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