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Little People's psychosocial patient support services reach the largest number of **child** and **young adult** cancer patients in **Romania** and is the only service provider present in all 8 major regional treatment centres, providing a standardised, consistent approach to the psychological and emotional needs of cancer patient children, young people and their families.

Our full spectrum care provides psychological and emotional support to the child and its family from the moment of diagnosis: parent education, patient-centred interventions through **the award winning I'm not afraid!** (Nu mi-e frica!®) program for the younger ones and age-appropriate **peer-support** and specialised interventions for teenagers and young adults, special outings and focus group meetings with survivors, long term follow up care and surveillance after end of treatment, as well as patient education and advocacy training.

Having an active partnership with all of the 13 paediatric oncology units of Romania and the Romanian Society of Paediatric Hemato-Oncologists, supporting them through organising national and international meetings and conferences, at the same time delivering consistent services Monday to Sunday in eight of the biggest treatment centres across the county, Little People developed the largest patient reach and most comprehensive insight into the needs of childhood and teenage cancer patients in Romania. In 2014 the latest of the four renovated playrooms in childhood cancer units across Romania was developed in such a way that besides the play and learning area of the little ones a separate, intimate relaxation and gaming room was inaugurated for teenage patients. In 2013 the Little People Association has become the most awarded and recognised non-profit organisation in Romania.

Since 2013 the organisation extended its services to the **Republic of Moldova** as well, providing daily psychosocial support services in both paediatric oncology units of the country.

A project of Little People, the TEMERARII Club for **Romanian cancer survivor teenagers and young adults** was founded in 2006. Focus group meetings for survivors take place in many cities across the country and the Annual General Assembly of the members is scheduled each year on the last day of the Temerarii Summer Camp. The meetings provide specialised support unique to their needs of coping, successful reintegration into society and support for school re-entry.

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