

# UCI giving care to cancer patients



The director Uganda Cancer Institute, Dr Jackson Orem (right), and Ms Mauda Kamatenesi, the Vice Chancellor Bishop Stuart University (centre), with other officials during the Cancer Walk in Mbarara recently. PHOTO BY FELIX AINEBYOONA

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The Uganda Cancer Institute (UCI) is a cancer research, care and training institute under the ministry of Health. Last month the institute celebrated its golden jubilee in Kampala that was attended by researchers,

oncologists and doctors from all over the world.

Prof Charles L. Olweny, the board chair and the institute's director from 1972 to 1982, gave the welcome address that captured past, present and future cancer care in Uganda.

He stressed that because cancer treatment is an ex-

pensive high technology process few countries can afford all necessary infrastructure, equipment and drugs therefore emphasis must focus on prevention. UCI is currently a six-level cancer ward with 100 beds completed and is now functional; with up to-date research facilities.



## Congratulations

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The Board of Governors, management and staff of St. Francis Hospital Nsambya congratulate their partners, Uganda Cancer Institute upon reaching 50 years of dedicated service in the fight against cancer in Uganda.



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**PATH Congratulates Uganda Cancer Institute (UCI) upon making 50 years of existence and valuable contributions to health in Uganda.**

**We are proud to be associated with UCI in the diagnosis and treatment of cancers, especially cervical and breast cancer.**



## UGANDA CANCER INSTITUTE (UCI) AT 50 YEARS

For the last 25 years, PATH has led several innovative approaches towards cervical and breast cancer prevention and control programs. In Uganda, PATH's work has largely included both primary and secondary prevention of cervical cancer.

The PATH-led primary prevention approaches have included the piloting and ultimate national introduction of the HPV vaccination program while the secondary prevention approaches have included screen and treat, HPV DNA testing, and innovative devices for treatment of pre-cancers such as the thermal coagulator that do not rely on gas.

Since 2013, PATH has partnered with the UCI on capacity building for diagnosis and treatment of cervical cancer and supported the Institute to become a center of excellence in training for the prevention and treatment of cervical cancer in the African region.

PATH is a leader in global health innovations, with over 40 years' experience working to save lives, improve health, especially among women and children. In Uganda PATH works to implement different projects in family planning, advocacy for better health, vaccines and immunization and cervical cancer prevention, diagnosis and treatment.

