

## HCG Kalaburgi introduces 'C-Test/ Swivel biopsy test' to diagnose oral cancer

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Observing the Head and Neck Cancer Awareness Week HCG Cancer Centre Kalaburgi introduced 'C-Test/ Swivel biopsy test' to diagnose oral cancer for the first time in the North Karnataka region. Also, in an effort to create awareness on oral cancer among general public, free cancer awareness programme and screening camp is being organised at the hospital for the entire month of April.

Dr Sharankumar Shetty, Sr Consultant, Head & Neck Surgical Oncologist, HCG Cancer Centre Kalaburgi said "We are happy to introduce C-Test at our hospital which will benefit the people of north Karnataka. The major advantages of the C -Test are that it's simple, painless, and easy to use, and does not require anaesthesia or suturing. This test has been specifically developed for oral cancer and is completely sterile with disposable tips. More importantly the test is available at a cost-effective price that is easily affordable to all sections of society."

Dr Shantling Nigudgi, Sr Consultant, Radiation Oncologist, HCG Cancer Centre Kalaburgi said "The oral cancer screening drive is aimed at creating much-needed awareness on the significance of early detection of cancer which can enable early treatment and better outcomes. While smoking and tobacco use are still major risk factors, the fastest-growing segment of oral cancer patients is young, healthy, nonsmoking individuals due to the connection to the HPV virus."