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4. To integrate mental health into Primary Health Care to de-mystify the process of mental health care in the community and to establish sustainable Transit Care Home. For mentally ill Men and Women, Where diagnosis, treatment and training is provided for rehabilitation and affective integration back into society.
  5. To support Government initiative in education by improving the quality of teaching, resource materials and encouraging community participation.
  6. To encourage vocational training and use skills to develop a profitable business model for in-house manufacturing/distribution of a variety of products.
  7. Advocacy - To create awareness, replicate innovative, models and provide benchmarks that influence Government policy and reforms and enable other NGOs to adopt them in their respective areas.

Karuna Trust believes in community based, people oriented, need driven, culturally acceptable methods using appropriate technology with minimum cost to the community. The trust is now running 25 PHCs in Karnataka and 9 PHCs in Arunachal Pradesh under a partnership with the respective state governments. These PHCs are practicing models of innovative and novel approaches to deliver primary health care such as 24 hour PHC concept, gender-sensitive primary care, integration of mental health care and epilepsy control within PHCs, mainstreaming of HIV/AIDS in primary care and voluntary counselling & testing centre at PHCs, rational drug use and health insurance. The trust has also piloted with success a unique model of Community Health Insurance in T Narsipura taluk, Mysore, in partnership with UNDP and National Insurance Corporation. The scheme is being extended to all the PHCs run by Karuna Trust. The PHCs are also being upgraded into Village Resource Centres (VRC) in collaboration with ISRO. The network will focus on tele-agriculture, farmer advisories, weather forecasts, watershed management in addition to telemedicine.

Starting with the PHC at Gumballi, the Trust has over a decade established an innovative model of delivery Primary Health care effectively. The experience gained in running the model PHC at Gumballi set the foundation for the Trust to then take over other PHCs in various other state districts. To date, PHCs operated by the Trust in different parts of India serve as examples of public-private partnerships in primary care, and are also evidence of the attainability of a beneficial, symbiotic relationship.

Karuna Trust runs 26 PHCs in Karnataka, 9 PHCs in Arunachal Pradesh, 6 in Meghalaya, 6 in Orissa, and 2 in Andhra Pradesh in partnership with the respective state governments. The PHCs handed over to Karuna Trust are all under-performing