

**PEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY
EDUCATION SUB-COMMITTEE
REPORT
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PEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY PROGRAM

- Education and Training
- Clinical Trials
- Palliative Care

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Pediatric Oncology Training Programs
- Training Program for Iraq
- Fellowship Program
- Collaborative Efforts with other Oncology Groups
- Development of Educational Material

PEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY WORKSHOPS

- INCTR participated in 2 training workshops in 2006 - early 2007.

PEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY WORKSHOPS

- Larnaca, Cyprus June 2006
- Workshop on Communication Skills in Pediatric Oncology
- In collaboration with MECC Palliative Care Program
- 60 participants from Jordan, Israel, Palestine, Turkey, Cyprus, Egypt, USA
- Palliative Care Manual
 - [INCTR clinical guidelines](#)

MECC WORKSHOP

Communication Skills



LARNACA, CYPRUS- 2006

PEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY WORKSHOPS

- Karachi, Pakistan January 2007
- Workshop on 'Introduction to Palliative Care in Pakistan'
- In collaboration with Pakistan Society for Pediatric Oncology
- Supported by OIA, NCI
- 67 participants from Pakistan, Nepal, Saudi Arabia, USA
 - Medical and pediatric oncologists, radiation oncologists, anesthesiologists, nurses, social workers, hospice
- Inauguration of Palliative Care Society of Pakistan

INCTR/PSPO WORKSHOP

Introduction to Palliative Care



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Palliative Care Society of Pakistan

WORKSHOPS PLANNED FOR 2007 -2008

- With ASPHO Toronto May 2007
– Symposium on Pediatric Oncology in Developing Countries
- With MECC Jerusalem April 2007
– Palliative Care for Palestine
- With MECC Larnaca June 2007
– Stress and burn-out in Oncology Caregivers
- With SKMCC Lahore November 2007
– Bone Tumor Workshop

TRAINING PROGRAM FOR IRAQ 2006

- Training of Iraqi Pediatric Oncologists
 - Program on hold
 - Uncertain situation in Iraq
- Working on short fellowships for Iraqi oncologists
 - Lombardi Cancer Center
 - St Judes Research Hospital
 - Other countries in Middle East
 - OIA, NCI, may provide partial support

FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

- Pediatric Oncology Visiting Fellowship
- King Hussain Cancer Center, Jordan and Lombardi Cancer Center, USA
- 4 month program at Lombardi
 - Rotations in molecular diagnostics, cytogenetics, pathology, transfusion medicine, radiation oncology, hematology and oncology clinic
 - Active participation in all educational activities, including presentations at Tumor Board
 - 4 senior fellows from KHCC at Lombardi 2005 -06
- Curriculum for training being formally planned

TRAINING AND EDUCATION

- Transfusion Medicine program
 - Special seminar at Annual Meeting in Sao Paolo
 - Introduction to curriculum for training
 - Transfusion Medicine Guidelines
 - Add members from Africa and Latin America to Working group
- Supportive Care Program
 - Guidelines for management of patients with cancer
 - Form working group at Annual meeting

COLLABORATION WITH OTHER ONCOLOGY GROUPS

- Global Alliance for the Cure of Children's Cancer
 - Working Group to Explore Collaborative Efforts in Pediatric Oncology
 - LCC, Washington DC August 2005
 - COG, INCTR, NCI, CURE, ST JUDES
 - Share resources, avoid duplication of work in same country, apply for joint funding, joint educational activities
- Group to meet again in next 2 months
 - Pediatric Oncology Fellowship training curriculum
 - Visiting experts
 - Supportive Care
 - Texas Childrens Hospital interested in joining the group

COLLABORATION WITH OTHER ONCOLOGY GROUPS

- MECC and INCTR
 - Joint Palliative Care initiative for the Middle East
 - Initiated June 2005
- Palliative Care Steering Committee formed
 - 1st meeting in Ankara, Turkey, April 2006
 - Workshop on Communication Skills, Larnaca, Cyprus, June 2006
 - Comprehensive Manual on Palliative care being developed
 - Next meeting in Larnaca, June 2007

COLLABORATION WITH OTHER ONCOLOGY GROUPS

- INCTR and SIOP
 - Joint Wilm's tumor protocol for East Africa and Asia
 - Strategy group meeting in next couple of months in Brussels
 - Participation of Global Alliance
 - Experts, training, resources

COLLABORATION WITH OTHER ONCOLOGY GROUPS

- INCTR AND APPNA
 - New alliance
 - Collaborative projects in Palliative Care in Pakistan
- Plan to use this model with other organizations for specific projects

FUTURE PLANS

- Continue ongoing training programs
- Palliative Care Initiative
 - MECC, APPNA
- Supportive Care and Transfusion Medicine Training and Guidelines
- Curriculum for Fellowship Program in Oncology and Palliative Care
- Collaboration with SIOP
 - Wilm's tumor protocol in Africa and Asia