



NCCP Taskforce (Apr. 1st, 2021) – Minutes of e-Meeting 2021.2 (Draft1)

(dear participants to NCCP: please make any change or comment of these draft minutes, we plan to finalise the minutes on March 10th)

Meeting Time (90 minutes)	From	To
India	12:30	14:00
Indonesia, Vietnam	14:00	15:30
Malaysia, Singapore	15:00	16:30
Korea, Japan	16:00	17:30

Participants (7 ANCCA countries + IARC / 20 participants)

1. India (IN): Dr Pramesh, Dr Manju Sengar / 2. Indonesia (ID): Dr. Kardinah, Dr. Evlina Suzanna, Dr. Ayu Hutami, Julyanti Agustina / 3. Japan (JP): Dr. Manami Inoue, Dr. Tomohiro Matsuda, Laureline Gatellier, Kazuki Nakamura / 4. Korea (KR): Jong Soo Han, Dr. Jun, Dr. Jong Bae Park / 5. Malaysia (MY): Dr. Fennee Lau, Dr. Malar, Dr. Suhana Yusak / 6. Singapore (SG): Prof. William YK Hwang, Dr. Koh Liang Kai / 7. Vietnam (VN): Nguyen Huong Giang / 8. IARC: Dr Carolina Espina (Dr. Jong Bae Park)

1. Introduction

Through introduction of all attendances, JP introduced Dr. Minami Inoue, epidemiologist of NCC Japan who attends the meeting as observer. Moreover, KR introduced Dr. Jun, Director for NCC Korea. This time, as a guest speaker, Dr Carolina Espina attended the meeting on behalf of IARC,

2. IARC presentation on “Potential Code against Cancer for Asia or sub-regions of Asia”

Dr Carolina Espina, on behalf of IARC, made her presentation on “Potential Code against Cancer for Asia or sub-regions of Asia (Eastern and Western Asia especially)”. IARC shared what has been done in European Code Against Cancer as collaborative effort by IARC members. European code against cancer consists of 12 recommendations on cancer risk prevention, which was established and refined from 1987 until now. The working team consists of six groups working towards producing monographs, expert reports, handbooks, and guideline tailored to European communities. Apart from that, they are also supported by literature group which collects robust scientific evidence and communication group which disseminates recommendations in forms of social media and online tools for layman and public consumption. Ms. Carolina also suggest Asia to tailor the cancer agenda based on commonalities among members. Alternatively, Asia can be divided into subregion to a more focused assessment and programs.

Regarding the presentation of IARC, several ANCCA members including KR suggests that it will be important to know local data and situation and connect them individually. JP mentioned that collaborative effect with the suggested European code will make the ANCCA activity better.

3. Welcome and summary of e-Mtg’21.1 (March 3)

Core team (JP) shared summary of previous NCCP Taskforce meeting and remind attendances about the suggested targets of each phase until 2030. JP secretariat mainly introduced 3 pillars (Education is not implemented for now) and activity to create the survey.

4. Country NCCP update

VN and ID shared future plans and achievement on their countries.

a. Vietnam (see attached slides)

VN explained National Cancer Control Program (NCCP) in Vietnam. The country had successfully increased cancer awareness, improved quality of cancer diagnosis and treatment through national cancer network, implemented cancer screening and early detection for 4 common cancers and high quality of PBCRs. Currently, VN start to develop NCCP 2021 – 2031 by setting up objectives and goals to reduce Incidence and Mortality, improve survivorship and QoL. It will be the first separate cancer control plan in Vietnam with the emphasis on multipartnership and socialization funding.

b. India

India shared about their comprehensive management on cancer burden in the country. The NCCP programs cover most area from prevention, curative, and palliative care. Following the explanation of cancer burden, ID introduced the background of the NCCP and National policy framework of NCD called “NPCDCS”. Introducing activities of CHC NCD clinic as one of examples of NPCDCS, ID explained that the policy focus on promoting health lifestyle through health education. Moreover, regarding this policy, contractual manpower is in the process of approval.

5. Update on NCCP comparison sheet and Proposal of Asia Cancer Agenda 2030

NCCP Core team (JP) shared the result on the research of country-wise progress of National Cancer Control Plan (NCCP) through brief presentation including current cancer control program, current implementation efforts, the scope of the program, timeframe of the future plan, previous control programs and their barriers. Related to “Proposal of Asia Cancer Agenda 2030” and “Plans toward 2030 and Achievements as of 2021”, updated information from each member would need to be gathered from each member in light of the new knowledge of “Potential Code (C. Espina)”.

Action Item:

- Core team to set up a scope and scale to regularly track and evaluate achievements for initial assessment of strengths and weaknesses of each NCCP for not-well established members (“recommendations”) and to update members at next eMtg in light of new information received from Potential Code.

6. Others

- Core team (ID) briefly introduced “Implementation update from ID” with a suggested model of **mentoring among ANCCA members** (well established members will mentor not-well established members to share “best practices”) moreover, secretariat announced other ANCCA members to welcome to invite co-members of NCCP taskforce if the members have shown an interest to the activities.

Action Items:

- ID to update status on “mentorship” at next eMtg if relevant
- Any member who can raise hand as “Mentor” to contact individual member or core team before next meeting.
- Any member who would like to belong to core team to contact core team (ID, VN, JP)
- Any member who has suggestion about Potential Code (with IARC) to make a proposal at next eMtg

Monthly meetings will be held as follows: First Thursday of each month in principle (next meetings, starting with eMtg21.3 on May 6th, then Jun. 3rd, July 1st, 2021...same time (16h KR/JP), unless specifically requested by participating member at previous meeting.

