WORKSHOP

Epilepsy in Latin America: successful experiences and learned lessons

Organizers: Ministry of Health of Chile, Chilean League against Epilepsy and International Bureau for Epilepsy

Cosponsors: Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), Chilean Epileptology Society, Society of Psychiatry and Neurology of Infancy and Adolescence. Chilean Society of Neurology, Psychiatry and Neurosurgery.

Date: 9th and 10th August, 2013

Place: Hotel Torremayor Av. Ricardo Lyon 322 Providencia, Santiago, Chile ventas@hoteltorremayor.cl (56-2) 2299 3000

Participant countries: Uruguay, Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Honduras, Mexico.

Objetives:

- 1. Discuss some successful experiences and learned lessons in selected countries of Latin America, stressing primary care.
- 2. Contribute to Strategy and Plan of Action of Epilepsy in Latin America, establishing priorities for specific actions.

Participants:

- Tarun Dua, WHO Consultant
- Jorge Rodríguez, PAHO Mental Health Adviser Chief
- Roberto del Aguila, Epidemiology Consultant, PAHO-Chile
- Carlos Acevedo, current IBE Secretary General
- Lilia Núñez, IBE Vice President for Latin America
- Tomás Mesa, IBE Latin American Committee President
- Sheryl Haut, ILAE North American Commission President
- Marco Tulio Medina, current ILAE Vice President for Latin America
- Samuel Wiebe, current ILAE Secretary General
- Manuel Campos, current ILAE Latin American Committee President
- Alfredo Pemjeam, Mental Health Chief of the Ministry of Health, Chile
- Lilian Cuadra, in charge of the National Program of the Ministry of Health, Chile
- Hugo Cohen, Mental Health Adviser for South America
- Patricia Braga ILAE Educational Commission(Uruguay)
- Alejandro de Marinis (Chile)
- Jorge Förster (Chile)
- Lázaro Molina (Honduras)
- Mario Alonso (Mexico)
- Jaime Fandiño (Colombia)

- Li Li Min (Brazil)
- Silvia Kochen (Argentina)
- Alejandro Scaramelli (Uruguay)
- Ministry of Health representatives of the selected countries: Argentina, Colombia, Honduras, Mexico and Brazil.
- Health insurance companies and families (Chile). Social Service, nurse, Parent Organization, Sonepsyn, Sopnia, Epileptology Society, Fonasa.

PROGRAM

FRIDAY 9th August, 2013

08:30-08:45	Opening Workshop Welcome: Dr. Tomás Mesa/Dr. Alfredo Pemjean (Chile)	
08:45-09:00	Introduction to objectives and Workshop agenda: Dr. Alejandro de Marinis (Chile)	
9:00-9:30	Global view of Epilepsy, from WHO perspective: Dr. Tarun Dua (WHO, Ginebra)	
Workshops: Presentations of countries' experiences (30 minutes of exposition y 15 questions, commentaries and discussion). Coordinators: Dr. Manuel Campos y Dr. Jorge Förster. (Chile)		
9:30-10:00	National Program of Epilepsy, Chile. Experiences with children. Dr. Lilian Cuadra. (Chile)	
10:00-10:15	Discussion	
10:15-10:45	Experiences in the National Program of Epilepsy in Mexico. Dr Mario Alonso (Mexico)	
10:45-11:00	Discussion	
11:00-11:30	Coffee break	
11:30-12:00	Experiences in Chile: Epilepsy guides: who does it, what guides, how to do it, and its practical implementation. Dr. Tomás Mesa (Chile)	
12:00-12:15	Discussion	
12:15-12:45	Experience of Brazil: Web site and communications. Dr. Li Li Min (Brazil)	
12:45-13:00	Discussion	
13:00-15:00	Lunch	

15:00-15:30	Experiences of Honduras: Epidemiology database creation and Treatment Gap Program. Dr. Lázaro Molina (Honduras)
15:30-15:45	Discussion
15:45-16:25	Practical experiences in legislation about Epilepsy. Dr. Jaime Fandiño (Colombia) and Dr. Silvia Kochen (Argentina)
16:25-16:40	Discussion
16:40-17:15	Coffee break
17:15-17:45	Experiences of Honduras: Demonstration Project, results. Dr. Lázaro Molina (Honduras)
17:45-18:00	Discussion

SATURDAY 10th August, 2013

09:00-09:30	Education. Practical examples: Evaluation of the impact. Dr. Patricia Braga. (Uruguay)
9:30-9:45	Discussion
9:45-10:15	AEDs access and availability in primary care. Ministry of Health, Chile. General Discussion
10:15-10:30	Discussion
10:30-11:00	Coffee break
11:00-12:00	 Panel The roll of the Ministries of Health: a national viewpoint of Epilepsy from the public sector. Dr. Alfredo Pemjean (Chile) The Regional Strategy of Epilepsy from PAHO's viewpoint, regional report presentation. Dr. Jorge Rodríguez (OPS-USA) Challenges and opportunities: Dr. Marco Tulio Medina (Honduras)
12:00-14:00	General discussion: priorities and actions.
14:00 hrs.	Closing: Dr. Carlos Acevedo. Chilean League against Epilepsy