



STRENGTHENING PHARMACOVIGILANCE IN ARABIC-SPEAKING COUNTRIES

Workshop, Rabat - Morocco

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Centre Anti Poison et de Pharmacovigilance du Maroc



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Fifty years ago, the WHO in its 16th World Health Assembly resolution, urged member states to pay the closest attention to the problem of drug safety. WHO underlined the importance for member states to put in place a system to collect all information on serious adverse drug reactions observed during the development of a drug and, in particular, after its release. This was the start of the international pharmacovigilance programme which is currently supported by a network of 146 national pharmacovigilance centres.

Since 1992, Arabic countries progressively joined this network. Among the Arab speaking countries, 9 of them (Morocco, Tunisia, the Sultanate of Oman, Egypt, Jordan, Sudan, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, and the United Arab Emirates) are official members of the WHO Programme for International Drug Monitoring and 4 are associate members (Algeria, Bahrain, Qatar and Syrian Arab Republic). Unfortunately, their contribution to the international database is low and represents 0.4% of all reported cases with a huge disparity between these countries.

Given the experience of the Centre Anti Poison et de Pharmacovigilance du Maroc "CAPM", WHO has nominated the CAPM on the 1st of November 2011 as a WHO Collaborating Center "WHOCC" for Pharmacovigilance in order:

- to conduct and facilitate regional and national pharmacovigilance training courses for Eastern Mediterranean and Arabic countrie
- to support the WHO normative functions related to pharmacovigilance and promote patient safety
- to assist WHO in the pharmacovigilance assessments and in the provision of technical support to Member States in pharmacovigilance and patient safety.

In order to build and strengthen pharmacovigilance partnership in Arabic speaking countries, the CAPM/WHOCC Rabat and the Moroccan Society of Pharmacovigilance will organize a workshop entitled "Strengthening Pharmacovigilance in Arabic Speaking Countries".

Workshop main objectives

- To interact and exchange pharmacovigilance information to implement and reinforce pharmacovigilance activities in Arabic speaking countries
- To put in place action plans for Arabic pharmacovigilance partnership

Workshop specific objectives

- To describe the situation of pharmacovigilance in Arabic speaking countries
- To discuss the needs and opportunities of each country, to strengthen their pharmacovigilance system
- To build a consensus on Arabic terminology applied to the pharmacovigilance field
- To define specific means for strengthening collaboration with the support of WHO
- To promote regular exchange of information on pharmacovigilance issues through meetings, workshops, bulletins and training

Expected outcomes

To build an Arabic speaking regional pharmacovigilance network
 To Set up an Arabic pharmacovigilance partnership with the support of WHO

WORKSHOP TOPICS

- 1) Situation of pharmacovigilance in Arabic countries and way forward for an efficient pharmacovigilance in Arabic countries
- 2) Harmonizing Arabic terminologies and definitions in pharmacovigilance
- 3) Global situation and interest to integrate pharmacovigilance in non communicable disease in Arabic countries
- 4) WHO Program for strengthening pharmacovigilance system for vaccines
- 5) Medication errors management
- 6) Risk minimization measures in pharmacovigilance

Registration Form

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WORKSHOP FEES

MAD EUROS 5 000,00 500,00

Workshop fees include access to the workshop program, lunches and refreshments during the session breaks and workshop material

Payments shall be made only by Bank Transfer:

Bank transfer made payable to: Société Marocaine de Pharmacovigilance "SMPV".

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