The First Combined Gulf Cancer Conference

Awareness Strategy: Reality and Ambition

Invitation

The Conference Organizing Committee is pleased to invite oncologists, psychologists, social workers, specialists in health care systems and education, nutrition and the media to attend the First Combined Gulf Cancer Conference on “Awareness Strategy: Reality and Ambition” which would highlight the role and importance of awareness in educating people about cancer. The Conference will highlight the extent and impact of cancer awareness on the public population in general; its corresponding treatment rates and to review successful models in treating the disease locally, regionally and globally.

Conference Participants

Invited in this Conference are oncologists, psychologists, social workers, specialists in health care systems and education, nutrition, media and those interested in the field of education affiliated with non-profit organizations and relevant government institutions.



Objectives

1) To host a forum for oncologists, scientists, experts and cancer professionals who are experienced in the field of awareness and to review the success and failures of these strategies at the local, regional and international levels.
2) To highlight evidence-based information on the role of awareness in cancer incidence and survival rates.
3) To exchange experiences with global, regional and local organizations in the development of cancer awareness and prevention strategies and to measure the economic burden on the individual and on the community health care programs.
4) To highlight the role of government, non-government and the private sectors in raising awareness of the general public.

Conference Themes

The Medical Theme

1. The role of prevention in improving survival rates of cancer patients in the GCC countries.
2. The role of genetic factors in cancer prevention.
3. The role of national screening programs and scientific evidence in improving cancer survival rates.
4. The most important environmental and dietary factors and practices that promote cancer prevention in the Gulf region.
5. The optimal utilization of human and material resources in the face of the growing burden of cancer in the Gulf region.
6. Role of awareness in cancer prevention: Model and Outcomes.
7. Role of palliative care in improving patients' quality of live.



The Media Theme

1. What is the message of the media about cancer?
2. Media coverage and the negative perception of the cancer disease.
3. The impact of negative images presented by the media about cancer patients and their relatives.
4. The best practices of the media in raising awareness and early detection programs.
5. Utilization of social media in health education and cancer control programs.

The Psychological Theme

1. The impact of psychological support in alleviating or improving the condition of cancer patients and their relatives.
2. The role of support groups in raising cancer awareness.
3. The role of psychological methods in the success of awareness programs.

Abstract Submission

Abstracts submitted for the Conference shall observe the following guidelines:

1. The topic shall correspond to one of the themes listed for the Conference.
2. The author shall provide a summary in English or Arabic printed on one side of an A4 size paper.
3. Abstracts should be submitted not later than 1 January 2017.
4. Abstracts should be written in English or Arabic.
5. Abstracts shall not exceed 300 words.
6. Authors will be notified on the acceptance of their abstracts not later than 2 January 2017.



Abstracts shall contain the following:

1. Title of the Study.
2. Complete name of author(s), professional titles and their institutions.
3. The Introduction shall contain the objectives of the study.
4. Research Methods.
5. Analysis and Discussion.
6. Conclusion.
7. Recommendations.

Conference Language

English and Arabic

Conference Date and Venue

The Conference will be held on 2-3 April 2017 in one of the first class hotels in Kuwait.

Travel & Accommodation

The Organizing Committee will bear the costs of travel and accommodation of participants who were notified on the acceptance of their research papers.

Registration fees

- Participants from the State of Kuwait: KD 10
- (Student/Nurse) : KD 5
- Participants from outside the State of Kuwait not invited by the organizing committee: 15 KD



Entry Visa to Kuwait

Participants coming from non-Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries would need a visa to visit Kuwait. They shall provide the Conference Secretariat with a clear copy of the main pages of their passport not later than 1 December 2016. Passports shall be valid for at least 6 months starting December 2016.

Airport Reception

A Committee will receive official participants arriving at the Kuwait International Airport and to bring them to Conference accommodation.

Inquiries

On behalf of the Organizing Committee of the Conference, all correspondence regarding the conference shall be addressed to:

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