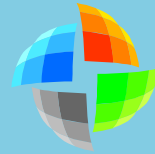




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FLAGSHIP COURSE ON HEALTH SYSTEMS STRENGTHENING FOCUS ON NON-COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

21-30 October, 2013, Barcelona, Spain



C o u r s e a n n o u n c e m e n t

We are pleased to announce the 10th Flagship Course on Health Systems Strengthening to be held in Barcelona, Spain from 21 to 30 October 2013. This eight-day training program is jointly offered by the WHO Regional Office for Europe in collaboration with the Health Policy Analysis Center of Kyrgyzstan. The course will be hosted by the WHO Barcelona Office for Health Systems Strengthening. The course will be open to both English and Russian speaking audiences with all presentations simultaneously translated from English to Russian and all course materials available in both languages.

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C o u r s e c o n t e n t

The course will systematically approach health systems strengthening linking policy objectives with effective instruments integrating theory and international experiences. The special theme of the course is how to address the growing burden of non-communicable diseases (NCD's) such as cardiovascular disease, diabetes, cancer and others.

Module 1. Health policy cycle and health system performance. The module will review global and regional trends in health system performance to address NCD's and explore common health system barriers by the main health system functions. Participants will be asked to evaluate the performance of their own country in addressing NCD's using a systematic diagnostic approach.

Module 2. Organization of population and individual health services. This module will examine the nature of NCD's and its implications for the organization of health services. The module will look at good practices in both population and individual health services and will extensively explore country examples for example for effective tobacco control, integrating community based health promotion and primary health care, and improved care continuum.

Module 3. Health financing. The third module will review health financing instruments including purchasing for primary care, hospitals, integrated models of delivery and instruments of pay-for-performance.

Field trips

The course will include a spotlight on the health system of the hosting Autonomous Community of Catalonia in Spain including field visits to health facilities that explore the themes of primary care and care coordination for chronic diseases, providing terminal care for oncological patients, good practices in diabetes management, and the role of e-health and telemedicine in reaching out to patients.

Target groups

The course is open to all 53 Member States of the WHO European Region. The target group of the course is government officials at national and regional levels from ministries of health and health insurance funds, from ministries of economies and finance, representatives of academic institutions, representatives of international organizations and NGO's, and health service providers in the public and private sectors. The course will be held in English with simultaneous translation to Russian.

Tuition fee

Tuition fee for the course is **EURO 800**. This fee includes tuition, course materials, internet access, lunches and coffee-breaks. Participants (or their funding agency) will be responsible to cover the costs of travel, accommodation and subsistence while in Barcelona. Hotels will be arranged close to the venue.

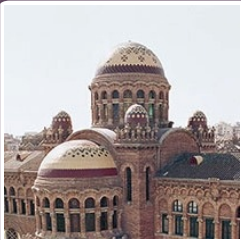
Deadline

To secure a place, applicants must submit a completed registration form and return it no later than **September 10, 2013**. Information on enrollment decisions will be sent to all applicants by **September 16, 2013**.

Visa

If appropriate, applicants are responsible for obtaining a visa. Formal invitation and visa support letter from WHO will be provided. Please note that obtaining a visa may require several weeks; early application is advised.

Venue



The course will be held in one of the buildings of the complex of the Hospital de Sant Pau, one of the most outstanding examples of Modernist architecture in Barcelona. Besides being a point of reference in terms of the heritage and culture of Barcelona, the extent of the historical complex's impact stretches not only to Europe but also to the rest of the world. Owing to the uniqueness of its construction and its artistic beauty, the whole hospital complex was declared Historical Artistic Monument in 1978 and World Cultural Heritage Site by UNESCO in 1997.

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