



2ND REGIONAL IRPA WHO IOMP WORKSHOP ON RADIOLOGICAL PROTECTION CULTURE IN MEDICINE



ESTABLISHING A SUSTAINABLE SAFETY CULTURE PROGRAM IN MEDICINE

➔ GENEVA, 30 NOV-2 DECEMBER 2015

World Health Organization (WHO) Headquarters

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After the finalization of IRPA's publication on 'Guiding Principles on Radiation Protection Culture', IRPA, WHO and IOMP launched a joint project on Radiological protection in Medicine, open to national / regional and international partners. The purpose of the project is to collect feedback from key stakeholders for the development of a framework document about Radiological Protection Culture in Medicine (RPCM), in the context of safety culture. This document, that will be included in IRPA's collection of publications, is intended to help the medical profession, with the engagement of patients, in establishing and maintaining a

RP culture in medicine, as part of a sustainable safety culture program in health care. A first regional workshop for Latin American countries was organized in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in April 2015. This second regional workshop is an opportunity to collect feedback from European countries and to cooperate with professional bodies and other international organizations for the preparation of this framework document. A regional workshop for African countries is planned to be held in occasion of the 14th International IRPA Congress (South Africa, May 2016), and the future organization of a regional workshop for Asian countries is also considered.

OBJECTIVES

Building on the conclusions of the regional Latin American workshop on RPCM, this regional European workshop is aimed to further investigate on the establishment of a RPCM, considering the role of professionals, patients and other stakeholders.

JOINTLY ORGANIZED BY

International Radiation Protection Association (IRPA)
International Organization of Medical Physics (IOMP)
World Health Organization (WHO)

WORKSHOP FORMAT

The Workshop will last for 2 days, starting on Monday 30 November 2015 at 12:00 and closing on Wednesday 2 December 2015 at 13:00. In order to stimulate reflection the Workshop will be structured around a number of invited plenary presentations on the first day, followed by facilitated breakout sessions in small groups the second day. Each group will examine topical issues in greater details, particularly focusing on the following topics:

- 1 Key elements of a radiation protection culture in medicine (RPCM)
- 2 Priorities for establishing and maintaining a strong RPCM
- 3 How to engage patients in RPCM improvement?
- 4 Improving RPCM in Europe: SWOT analysis
- 5 Tools and indicators for assessing RP culture in QA program in medicine

After the presentation of the results to the plenary on the third day, a general discussion will be held to get a common understanding about key elements and principles for establishing and maintaining a RPCM and how they can be better reflected in the framework document.



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The registration is free of charge, and it does not cover travel and accommodation costs. Places are limited thus pre-registration is encouraged to secure a place and to receive further information and background materials.

Registration deadline: **Friday 15 October 2015.**

Please send a message to globalinitiative@who.int, containing the following data:

First Name:

Last Name:

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Country:

Zip / Postcode:

Profession or job description:

Organization / Department:

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e-mail address:





MONDAY 30TH NOVEMBER ■

12h

Registration

Refreshments will be available

PLENARY SESSION I



13h

Opening session

- Welcome addresses
 - WHO
 - IRPA
 - IOMP
- Participants' introductions and expectations
- The working procedure

PLENARY SESSION II



13h45

Setting the scene

- Objectives of the initiative
- Scope and purpose of the 2nd workshop
- Summary of the current reflexions based on the 1st Workshop in BA

15h



Coffee break

15h30

PLENARY SESSION III



Presentation on Radiation Protection Culture from international institutions

- IRPA
- IOMP
- WHO
- ICRP
- ILO
- IAEA
- EC
- FORO





TUESDAY 1ST DECEMBER ■

8h30

PLENARY SESSION IV

Stakeholders' point of view: 5 key issues for developing a RPCM

- Referring physicians –pediatricians and family doctors
- Radiologists and other imaging practitioners (dentists, cardiologists, gastroenterologists)
- Radiographers
- Radiation oncologists
- Medical physicists
- Manufacturers
- Patients
- RP regulators and health authorities

10h30



Coffee break

11h

Group photo

11h10

PANEL ROUND TABLE:

HERCA, health authority representative, and representatives from the previous session

12h45

Lunch break

14h

BREAK OUT SESSION:

Group 1: a- Key elements for establishing and developing a RPCM
b- SWOT analysis for Europe: vision, challenges and opportunities

Group 2: a- Key elements for establishing and developing a RPCM
b- Role of patients and patient associations in developing a RP culture

Group 3: a- Key elements for establishing and developing a RPCM
b- Setting priorities for building a solid RPCM

Group 4: a- Key elements for establishing and developing a RPCM
b- Tools and indicators for assessing RPCM culture in QA program in medicine

15h30



Coffee break

16h

Working groups (cont')

17h

Invited key note lecture





WEDNESDAY 2 DECEMBER ■

8h30 **REPORT OF THE WORKING GROUPS**

- **Group 1 results**
Discussion
- **Group 2 results**
Discussion
- **Group 3 results**
Discussion
- **Group 4 results**
Discussion

General discussion

10h30 **Coffee break**

11h **Framework for establishing and promoting RPCM**

Structure and outlines of the future document

Next step: satellite workshop during IRPA congress in Cape Town

13h **End of the workshop**





(See Attached Map)

WORKING LANGUAGE English

VENUE

World Health Organization Headquarters (WHO HQ),
20 Avenue Appia CP 1211 Geneva 27
Main Building, Salle C

ACCOMMODATION

Please find in the second leaflet, information about hotel accommodation in Geneva at WHO preferential rates (estimate) as well as residences in Switzerland and France offering kitchenette facilities.

TRANSPORTATION FROM THE AIRPORT TO YOUR HOTEL

You can pick up a free ticket for public transport from the machine in the baggage collection area at the Arrival level. This Unireso ticket, offered by Geneva Airport, allows you to use public transport from the airport to downtown Geneva free for a period of 80 minutes

<http://www.gva.ch/en/desktopdefault.aspx/tabid-67/>

Most hotels are within walking distance of the main train station (called "Gare Cornavin"). The **bus number 5** (direction Thonex-Vallard) from outside the airport can take you to the Gare Cornavin stop. You can do your own research about the bus timetables at the airport at the following site:

<http://tpg.hafas.de/hafas/tp/query.exe/en?>

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All the hotels in Geneva provide a free bus pass for each day of stay in the hotel. Take the **number 8 bus** from the Gare Cornavin (direction OMS) to WHO and get off at the terminus (OMS = WHO).

BANKS/EXCHANGE RATE FACILITIES

There is an exchange bureau at Cornavin railway station, as well as a branch of the Union des Banques Suisses (UBS) at WHO HQ that handles routine banking and exchange operations.

It is located on the ground floor of Annex L. It is open from 8.30 to 16.30 non-stop from Monday to Friday.

INTERNET ACCESS

Internet access and details about Wi-Fi access will be provided on the day of the meeting.

Further information regarding the practical arrangements and meeting documents will be provided after registration