

Training should be continuous

Nutritional support as an integral part of treatment a patient with cancer - cycle educational activities for oncologists

Nutricia advanced Russia in cooperation with leading medical centres in Russia (with the support of the Russian Society of Oncologists and the National Association of enteral and parenteral nutrition)

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Description of the initiative

We have launched a educational programs with the support of medical universities (eg, Department of Oncology and Hematology of the Russian Peoples' Friendship University, Institute of Surgery named after Vishnevsky). We work in three areas:

1. The training of future oncologists: in the training program have lecture on nutritional support in oncology
2. Training for maintenance therapy in oncology: we provide an educational grant to study oncologist (chemotherapist or radiation therapist) refresher courses. In this course, doctors get in-depth knowledge about the prevention and treatment of adverse effects of anticancer therapy, including the role and place of nutritional support in this
3. Training for cancer surgery and anesthesiology. One of the new technologies, actively implemented in oncology, is a fast-track surgery, a major component of which is a nutritional preparation of the patient before surgery and early enteral nutrition. We give a grant for training team (anesthetist oncosurgeon +) for training courses on fast-track surgery.

After the doctor training, which received a grant to study, conduct a series of educational activities in their regions and local groups provide nutritional support in their clinics, while continuing to impart knowledge of clinical nutrition.

Rationale/Background of the initiative

Currently in Russia there is no program of post-graduate training of doctors. Such a program implemented and for the first time and calls attention both from doctors and from the Medical University. One of the key issues in the implementation of nutritional support in clinical practice is the lack of awareness of doctors. To HCP's received information about the problem of malnutrition and cancer patients at all stages of their treatment is not enough to local educational activities (such as round

Scope of project, activities, implementation

Since the beginning of 2015, we conducted the first training cycle of maintenance therapy for oncologists.

In the second half of the year we are planning to conduct training for oncology and anesthesiology.

Education of future oncologists continues uninterrupted on the relevant departments.

Every year we plan to hold two training cycles in each direction, for which more than 50 doctors will receive educational grants

Results/Outcomes, Conclusions

Currently too early to talk about results, because the program is only being implemented. However, doctors who were trained in the first round (15 Doctors of the 7 regions of Russia) continued training of doctors in their region. Each doctor is trained to become responsible for the appointment of nutritional support in its hospital.

In this program, we combined the initial training of oncologists, oncologists trained practitioners (chemotherapists, radiation therapists, oncosurgeons) and anesthesiologists. This will seize the awareness and commitment of health care professionals working with cancer patients. As a result of training doctors receive knowledge about the role of nutritional support at every stage of the patient's treatment, are able to carry out screening of malnutrition in the outpatient and inpatient appointments know the algorithm of nutritional support and are guided in the choice of products (both Sipping and tube feeding).

In the next 2 years we can train one specialist from each of the leading Russian Oncological Hospital