



Catholic Industrial Medical Centre (CIMC)

WHO Collaborating Centre Occupational Health

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Goals

- To participate in the network of WHO Collaborating Centres in Occupational Health, & in the implementation of the WHO Global Strategy for Occupational Health for All
- To collect, correlate & provide available information on occupational health statistics & topics

Type of Activity

- Information dissemination
- Research
- Training and Education

Output of COEM

- Technical assistance and support provided to Member States for strengthening national occupational and environmental health risk management systems, functions and services.
- Guidance, tools and initiatives created in order to support the health sector in influencing policies in other sectors to allow policies that improve health, the environment and safety to be identified and adopted.
- Health-sector leadership enhanced for creating a healthier environment and changing policies in all sectors so as to tackle the root causes of environmental threats to health, through means such as responding to emerging and re-emerging consequences of development on environmental health and altered patterns of consumption and production and to the damaging effect of evolving technologies.

Current Activities

WHO-Korea-Mongolia Project



- Assess country situation on asbestos
- Development of asbestos profiles
- Diagnose asbestos-related diseases
- Elimination of asbestos related diseases
- Provide recommendations

We have plans to train technical experts for asbestos from other Asian countries. We plan to support Mongolia for developing asbestos analysis technique. We did some training programs about asbestos issues for Mongolian technicians with WHO WPRO.

International Cooperation & Exchange Education Program



- International Symposium
- Student exchange program
- Doctor exchange program
- MOU with Mongolia, Indonesia
- China-Japan-Korea Joint Symposium

Our institute made MOU with The National Center of Public Health, Ministry of Health, Mongolia on the 30th of April, 2014. In this MOU. We held international symposium about co-working with Indonesia researchers on the 24th June, 2014.

Domestic Research at OH



- Special program of this year
- Teen-age workers
- Policy for domestic and international propagation
- Co-work with high school teachers
- Guidebook for better labor status in young ages

In Korea, we estimate teen-age workers as about 700,000. Generally, they work for service industries. However, most of them are not covered by social insurance. This project will deal with evaluating their general work environment, and making prevention policies for their occupational injuries. And we will share our result with other countries' researchers.