ROUND TABLE

PROPOSAL FOR A NEW SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

From the Emergency Care in Occupational Health Working group (ECOH) to Emergency Response in Occupational Health and Safety (EROHS)

Proposal for a new scientific committee?

ECOH working group
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Background

- Many occupational practitioners have to face emergencies in occupational settings,
- from life-threatening emergencies
- to current urgent care.
- Furthermore, workplace emergencies have specific aspects that usual emergency teams do not know of
  - First aid
  - Cardiac arrest
  - Industrial disasters

However, no network or federation exists at an international level for emergency care in the workplace.

A symposium in 2012, ICOH "Emergency in occupational setting: should we suggest a new scientific committee?"

- Origins
- Research? Training? Practice?
- TEST
  - Success > 25 participants, interesting comments from the round table

We believe, convinced by the above symposium, that the ICOH scientific committee is probably the best way to establish such a network.

Emergency Care in Occupational Health (ECOH) informal group => Working group

7 volunteers,
- Alexis Descatha (France), Michel Baer (France), Susanne Schunder-Tatzber (Austria), Philippe Havette (France), François Dolveck (France), Todd L Hamel (USA), Barthelemy Wognin (Ivory Coast), Promila Sharma (India), Babacar Fall (Senegal), Sylvie Rotthier (France).
1) Review national and international programs for emergency care in the field of occupational health and safety and propose ICOH action when needed.

2) Examine the needs for improving and supporting emergency care in occupational health services and propose international support measures and guidance materials.

3) Develop a proposal for a new Scientific Committee dealing with emergency care in occupational health.

Achievements

1. Review
   - Are there standards of care for cardiac arrest occurring in the workplace? Results from a worldwide survey (Resuscitation)
   - Results from an Online Survey on Emergency Management in the Workplace (ICOH Newsletter)
   - First aid and occupations: a systematic review (submitted)

2. Meeting
   - First ECOH working group meeting, Paris 2014
   - Presentations
     - Care=> Response, enhance the group

3. Extension
   - Inside of ICOH
     - Dr Koji Wada
     - Dr Bruno Papaleo
     - Dr Paula Viapiana
   - Outside of ICOH

4. Mini-Symposium submitted to ICOH 2015 congress
   => Emergency Care in Occupational Health: Time for a Position Statement?

Conclusion: SWOT / Perspectives

- Strength
  - A priority for many of our colleagues
  - We have experience in this field
- Weakness
  - Only a Working group
- Threats
  - No special grants and financially weak (no Conflict of interest)
- Opportunities
  - Become a Scientific Committee would reinforce our proposition for emergency response in occupational Health
  - Best practice recommendations?
  - Congress 2017?

THANK YOU! 감사합니다

- Thanks
  - Colleagues from ECOH
  - Icoh board officers

- Financial
  - No conflict of interest (AD: editor in chief of « Les archives des maladies professionnelles et de l’environnement»)
  - Travel = Paris Hospital and founders

Emergency Response (and preparedness) in Occupational Health

EROHS business meeting
Seoul, 2015
WELCOME!
EROHS business meeting

- Presentation of new members
- Reporting from the presentation to the ICOH board
- Organization?
  - Wait for ICOH
  - Temporary:
    - Members
      - Chairs and secretary
  
- Connection=
  - Mail/ congress every 3yrs/ICOH