



NTrD E-NEWSLETTER

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INTRODUCTION

The preliminary report of the National Trauma Database revealed that most injuries (73%) were caused by road accidents and about 65% of major trauma cases involved motorcycles. Although this was not a nationwide study, the participation of five centers involving over 123,000 patients may provide a depiction of trauma-related cases in Malaysia, its primary causes as well as its morbidity and mortality rates. Such epidemiological data forms the foundation for health and clinical research as the lack of local patient demographics, makes it is difficult for public health policies to be developed and healthcare strategies to be evaluated. Taking up the challenge to start off a registry takes drive and ambition; to strive on takes long-term commitment and unwavering passion. I applaud the committee and the personnel of the National Trauma Database for their dedication, continuous efforts and innovative strategies in promoting and expanding their registry. With the publication of this e-newsletter, I hope readers will be able to appreciate the significance of trauma research and the impact of its data. Together with the support of the Clinical Research Centre, let us work together to ensure quality and reputable data for the public.



Congratulations on your first issue!

Best wishes
Dr Lim Teck Onn
Director, CRC Network

ABOUT NTrD

The National Trauma Database (NTrD) is the first trauma registry data ever assembled in Malaysia. Clinical Research Centre (CRC), the founding organization has worked towards its establishment since year 2006 at Hospital Kuala Lumpur. The NTrD collects information about patients with trauma injury in Malaysia. The information allows us to estimate the incidence of major trauma and to evaluate the risk factor and management in the country. Such information is useful for assisting the MOH, Non-Governmental Organization, private providers and industry in the planning and evaluation of trauma services, leading to its prevention and control. In the early its operation, only five participating centres has joined NTrD namely Hospital Selayang, Hospital Kuala Lumpur, Hospital Sultanah Bahiyah Alor Setar, Hospital Pulau Pinang and Hospital Sultanah Aminah Johor Bahru. . In year 2008, NTrD have increased the numbers of participating centres into eight with the joining of Hospital Sungai Buloh, Hospital Tengku Ampuan Rahimah Klang and Pusat Perubatan Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia. The second publications will be expected to be out at the second half-year 2009. For this year, the numbers of participating centres have increased into 13. Currently there are over 3000 cases that have been registered in the database.

We would like to thank all the participating hospitals for their cooperation and hard work in making this registry one of the best in the country!

Kind Regards,
Dr. Sabariah Faizah Jamaluddin
Principal Investigator



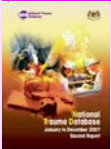
NEWS & EVENTS

- Malaysia and Singapore Trauma Symposium 2009 (MAST)

Date: 24th-25th October 2009, Venue: University Kebangsaan Malaya Medical Centre (For further information, please email at ukmches@gmail.com)

- 2nd Registry User's Seminar
Date: 27th-29th October 2009, Venue: Cititel, Midvalley
Registry Updates Workshop 2009 cum Year End Meeting
Date: 1st-2nd December 2009, Venue : Genting Highlands
Establishment of collaboration with CRC and MIROS for NTrD project.

COMING UP NEXT..



NATIONAL TRAUMA DATABASE 2007 SECOND REPORT



COMINGS AND GOINGS...

NTrD would like to express our thanks to Mr. Mohd Fadhleen, the NTrD Registry Manager for all the hard work and continuous support that he has given to the registry since its inception in 2006. We wish him all the best of luck in his future endeavours.

We would like also to welcome Ms Lithnes Kalaivani as the NTrD new Registry Manager.



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