

## **PTC Courses in Ulaan Bator, Mongolia, June 25-29 2007**

### **Purpose**

To build on the previous PTC course taught in Ulaan Bator in 2005 by Drs. Wilkinson and McDougall. To train Mongolian PTC instructors and make Mongolia self-sufficient with regard to running PTC courses.

### **Executive Summary**

The course was held in the Trauma and Orthopaedic Research Centre of the National Trauma Hospital. A two day PTC course was taught in English on June 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, followed by an instructor course also taught in English on June 27<sup>th</sup>. There were between six and ten participants at these courses.

Following this, a two day PTC course was taught in Mongolian by five local instructors. This course was extremely popular with approximately fifty local doctors and emergency department nurses attending for between half a day and the full two days. The five new instructors demonstrated that they were comfortable teaching the workshops and scenarios in addition to didactic lecturing. Course evaluations were uniformly favourable.

### **Key Staff involved in planning and coordination**

#### **From Mongolia:**

Dr Ganbold- the coordinator of International Affairs and former Director of Anaesthesia at the Children's Hospital

Dr Tungaa- Anaesthetist at the Children's Hospital

#### **Overseas:**

Dr Ken Brownhill (Melbourne)

Dr TW Lee (Hong Kong)

Dr Hayden Perndt (Hobart)

Dr Stephen Swallow (Hobart)

### **Overview of the History of the Program**

Anaesthetists from Australia have been teaching in Mongolia since 2000. Dr David Pescod has visited every year from 2000 to 2007. Dr Amanda Baric and Dr Ken Brownhill have both visited on multiple occasions.

Anaesthetists are responsible for the Emergency Departments in hospitals in Ulaan Bator and consequently they have a major role in the management of trauma. Some intensive care specialists also have an anaesthetic background.

All five Mongolian instructors on the second PTC course were anaesthetists. Work pressure and a shortage of medical staff meant that some general and orthopaedic surgeons who were interested in PTC were only able to make brief appearances at the PTC courses.

PTC has been embraced by the Mongolian Medical Community and there are plans to teach courses outside of Ulaan Bator.

### **Names and Contact Details of Active Instructors**

Dr Ganbold Lundeg: Coordinator of International Affairs  
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Dr Tungaa, Dr Buurma, Dr Enkhee: Children's Hospital, Ulaan Bator.

Dr Bayalag- Hospital No. 1 Ulaan Bator

### **Financial Summary**

All four overseas instructors financed their own travel and accommodation from their public hospital training, education and research funds. The cost per person was approximately \$AD3000 for travel and \$AD1000 for food and accommodation.

### **Future Plans**

A return visit to Ulaan Bator is planned for 2008. The key activities for overseas instructors will be to train Mongolian Instructors to teach the Instructor Course.

Meetings will also be arranged with the officials from the Ministry of Health and the World Health Organisation to enlist their support in the expansion of the PTC program.

### **Details of Training or Teaching Material Provided**

Twenty copies of the PTC Instructors manual were provided.

One Laerdal infant resuscitation manikin was donated.

### **Summary of Discussion of the future of PTC in Mongolia**

Venue: Trauma Hospital

Date: 27<sup>th</sup> June 2007

Chairman: Dr Ganbold Lundeg

PTC Instructors: Dr Tungaa, Dr Burma, Dr Enkhee, Dr Bayalag, Dr Brownhill, Dr Lee, Dr Perndt, Dr Swallow.

The Mongolian Instructors resolved to adopt a programme of PTC courses and PTC Instructor Courses for Mongolia.

The programme will be driven and coordinated from Ulaan Bator with the support of the PTC Foundation and its' overseas instructors.

Much of the subsequent discussion concerned implementation of a coordinated trauma system for Mongolia.