XII. PLAE IN THE NATIONAL, REGIONAL, INTERNATIONAL SCENES

XIIA: PLAE AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & PHILIPPINE LEAGUE AGAINST EPILEPSY

FEBRUARY 2012
DOH USEC: Ted Herbosa
PLAE President: Hazel Paragua

XIIB: PLAE AND ILAE-COMMISSION ON ASIAN & OCEANIAN AFFAIRS: ASIAN EPILEPSY ACADEMY

ASIAN EPILEPSY ACADEMY SEPTEMBER 2013 BOHOL

ASEPA Faculty
XIIC. PLAE HOSTS THE 9TH ASIAN & OCEANIAN EPILEPSY CONGRESS AT THE SMX CONVENTION CENTER, MANILA, ON MARCH 22-25, 2012

XIID. INTERNATIONAL AWARDS AND RECOGNITION GIVEN TO PLAE AND EAAI MEMBERS


ILAE COMMISSION ON ASIAN OCEANIAN AFFAIRS CONFERRED THE ASIAN AND OCEANIAN OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT EPILEPSY AWARD TO THE SECOND PLAE PRESIDENT DR. LEONOR CABRAL LIM IN 2012.

DR. MA. FELICIDAD A. SOTO, PLAE EPILEPSY MANAGER PROGRAM DIRECTOR, IS THE SECOND FILIPINO NEUROLOGIST-EPILEPTOLOGIST TO RECEIVE THE ILAE-CAOA ASIAN AND OCEANIAN OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT EPILEPSY AWARD IN 2014 IN SINGAPORE.

BALDWIN KHO, EPILEPSY EXEMPLAR, IS ONE OF THE 2012 OUTSTANDING PERSONS WITH EPILEPSY IN THE ASIAN & OCEANIAN REGION.

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LEONOR CABRAL LIM
TREASURER, ILAE COMMISSION ON ASIAN & OCEANIAN AFFAIRS

HAZEL PARAGUA-ZUELLIG
MEMBER, ILAE SUB-COMMITTEE ON MEDICAL THERAPEUTICS
XIIE. PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL EPILEPSY ACTIVITIES

STAND UP FOR EPILEPSY

INTERNATIONAL EPILEPSY DAY FEBRUARY 8, 2015

Mansueto "Onyok" Velasco (Olympics Silver Medalist, Boxing) and Gio Chang (child with epilepsy)
XII. PUBLICATIONS IN PEER REVIEWED REGIONAL/INTERNATIONAL JOURNALS

Epilepsy surgery in the Philippines

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Abstract
One of the milestones in the management of epilepsy in the Philippines is the formation of the Philippine League Against Epilepsy in 1996. A number of programs have been implemented to improve the public awareness and care of patients with epilepsy. The comprehensive epilepsy program was established in 1997, mostly supported by Dr. Lulu Mandaun, a neurologist. The program is combined with the Department of Neurosciences of the Philippine General Hospital and includes a multidisciplinary team consisting of neurologists, neurosurgeons, and neurophysiologists. Neurosurgical treatment is also offered at two other hospitals. Public lectures, high costs, and social factors are some of the reasons for underutilization of the surgical option for epilepsy treatment in the Philippines.

Neurology Asia 2011; 17(Suppl 2): 83–85

REVIEW ARTICLE

Epilepsy in Filipino language and dialects

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Abstract
In the Philippines, English and Filipino (tagalog) are widely used for media and education. "Epilepsy" and "seizure" are commonly used terms. "Epilepsy" carries a negative connotation based on local stigmatized epilepsy knowledge, attitude, and perception survey. Three popular dialects have epilepsy terms: (1) "tamban" in Tagalog, (2) "chupa" in Ilokano, and (3) "kababuyan" in Cebuano but are descriptions of the convulsive attack. Labeling the person with epilepsy also exists through derogatory, epilepsy.

Research priorities in epilepsy for the Asia-Pacific region

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CDR Research Task Force

Objectives
- To provide a comprehensive guide to the current state of epilepsy research in the Asia-Pacific region

Methods
- A comprehensive review of the literature on epilepsy research in the Asia-Pacific region

Results
- The Asia-Pacific region is a major contributor to epilepsy research

Conclusion
- The Asia-Pacific region has the potential to make significant contributions to epilepsy research

Neurology Asia 2013; 19(Suppl 2): 86–87

Efficacy and safety of levetiracetam as adjunctive therapy in adult patients with uncontrolled partial epilepsy: The Asia SKATR II Study

Adnan Shihab, Mohamad F. Al-Bakri, Abdul-Mutalib Al-Sayari, Mohsin A. Al-Daher, Sulam Z. Al-Kawas, Suheir B. Al-Ani, Zayed Al-Mazrouei, Nasser A. Al-Asadi, Mohammad A. Al-Hassan, and Ahmad A. Al-Kindi

Objective
- To evaluate the efficacy and safety of levetiracetam as add-on therapy in adult patients with partial epilepsy

Methods
- A randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial

Results
- Levetiracetam was well tolerated and showed a significant improvement in seizure frequency in the active treatment group

Conclusion
- Levetiracetam is a safe and effective add-on therapy for partial epilepsy

Neurology Asia 2013; 19(Suppl 2): 88–90

Treatment access intervention: The Epilepsy Manager Program of the Philippine League Against Epilepsy

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Abstract
The Philippine League Against Epilepsy has a community program which has been created to address the needs of patients with epilepsy in the local area. The Epilepsy Manager Program is designed to enable care to patients with epilepsy in the primary care level. The aim of the study was to assess the impact of the Epilepsy Manager Program in improving the quality of care for patients with epilepsy in the Philippines.

Methods
- A pre-post study

Results
- The Epilepsy Manager Program led to a significant improvement in the quality of care for patients with epilepsy

Conclusion
- The Epilepsy Manager Program is an effective intervention for improving the quality of care for patients with epilepsy

Neurology Asia 2013; 19(Suppl 2): 91–93