

Summary of The Field Meeting on ECC

5th November 2018

Summary of Field Trip

Morning session

Field trip to Samut Prakan Province

Travel to Day care centre in Samut Prakan Province. Opening session by the Deputy-Director Samut Prakan Provincial Public Health Office. Welcome speech from Dr.Piyada Praertsom, Director of Bureau of Dental Health, Department of Health, Ministry of Public Health, Thailand. A presentation of Oral health program for pre-school children by representative from Dental Department, Samut Prakan Provincial Public Health Office, followed by a lecture on SMART technique by Prof. Prathip Phantumvanit and the demonstration of SMART programme by Samut Prakan dental personnel.



Afternoon Session

DISCUSSION

The meeting was held at Millennium Hilton Bangkok, before the dinner, with the delegates from interested countries. Chair by Prof.Prathip Phantumvanit and Dr.Morenike Oluwatoyin Folaya, Nigeria. The meeting reflected the expectation from each country delegates and discussed about the ECC situation, gaps and fields of collaborations. The group was named as ECC Action Group (ECCAG).

EXPECTATION

Begin with the introduction from Prof.Prathip Phantumvanit, for situation and expectation of this meeting. Most concern from delegates was about providing of treatment and care and to raise the awareness both at the national level and the global level to have a global target and plan in tackling with ECC.

THE NEED FOR ACTION

AT THE GLOBAL LEVEL

The standardization of ECC data was the main issue in moving toward the group. They shared about 4 main key activities; 1) create visibility 2) generate evidence 3) global awareness and 4) global actions

AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL

Activities covered; 1) Action plan; delegates agreed about activities of having action plan, Chair will responsible for this. 2) The need of finding situation of oral health systems in member countries is very crucial 3) An idea of 5210 programme (PAME Nutrition and fitness programme) was introduced for the interested delegates. 4) The collection of baseline ECC data by using the same guideline and 5) The idea of calibration among member countries.

MEMBERSHIP AND LEADER

This group agreed to have the action line which aimed to generate evidence tackle with ECC and implementation of national plan tackle with ECC. Moreover, the group discussed about sponsorship and funding. The suggested for seeking of funding from FDI or The Borrow foundation were raised. The issue of Legal Organization was also mentioned for sustainability and management. The group agreed about leadership from young generation, they nominate Dr.Anna Vukovic and Dr.Bethy Turton.

The Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on the pediatric dentistry conference and they will create a space for member countries to share and discuss.