

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT



2ND ASIA-PACIFIC REGIONAL EXPERT MEETING ON THE PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT OF FRAGILITY FRACTURES

27-28th March 2020

University Malaya Medical Centre, Kuala Lumpur

Dear Colleagues,

Because of its rapidly-ageing population, the Asia Pacific region will see a pandemic of hip fractures and other fragility fractures in the next few decades. The current healthcare systems will not be able to cope with this. The Fragility Fracture Network (FFN) – a global organisation – offers a way to meet this challenge, which was published by FFN plus other international organisations in 2018 as a Call to Action¹, through a combination of:

- preventing as many fractures as possible by secondary prevention after every fragility fracture
- treating those that do occur in the best and most cost-effective way, through multidisciplinary co-management, in both the perioperative and rehabilitation phases
- creating multidisciplinary national alliances that can bring about the necessary changes in healthcare policy to facilitate these actions

The best way to catalyse the creation of the required national alliances is to set up national FFNs that bring together surgeons, physicians skilled in care of the elderly, anaesthetists, rehabilitation physicians, nurses and physios. Being part of the global FFN is invaluable in learning from the experience of others and avoiding having to 're-invent the wheel', but the actual action has to take place at national level. Fourteen National FFNs are established around the world, including 8 in the Asia Pacific region in the following countries: China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Nepal Philippines and Thailand.

The 2nd Asia Pacific FFN Regional Expert Meeting will focus on how to implement the recommendations of the Call to Action and explore all the issues surrounding fragility fractures in the elderly patient, including the lessons that have been learned about setting up national FFNs and achieving healthcare policy change. If you belong to any of the healthcare disciplines listed above and want to make a difference in your country, this meeting is for you. The meeting will be held in Kuala Lumpur in March of 2020 and will be hosted by FFN Malaysia. The meeting language will be English. The registration fee will be modest and will include a Networking Dinner.

If you want to be informed about the programme and would consider attending, please send an email to REMKualaLumpur@ff-network.org, giving the following information:

- title, given name and family name
- your discipline and where you work
- the relevant scientific associations to which you belong

We look forward to hearing from you.



REGISTRATION

Registration Fee

	Doctor	Paramedic
<i>Early bird (By 15th Jan 2020)</i>	USD 100	USD 80
<i>Post early bird</i>	USD 120	USD 100
<i>On-site</i>	USD 150	USD 130

Download printable registration form [here](#).

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