

Report from the 1st Organizing Committee

The 1st Organizing Committee of Sapporo Conference for Palliative and Supportive Care in Cancer (SCPSC) was held in Sapporo Park Hotel on September 4, Friday, 2015. Details regarding future management of SCPSC, and when to hold the 2nd SCPSC, were decided. A summary is provided below.

1. Management of SCPSC

- ① Philosophy: As a global conference, SCPSC is based on palliative oncology and psycho-oncology, and mainly focuses on the development of these research areas, and seeks to contribute to cancer care centered on Japan and Asia.
- ② Research field: The research field of SCPSC shall be according to the subject group raised at the Palliative Care in Oncology Symposium by the subcommittee of the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO).
- ③ Organization: SCPSC shall be comprised of the following committees-
 - Organizing committee
 - Program committee
 - Senior advisory committee(However, an organizing committee member can concurrently serve as a program committee member. If recommended as a program committee member, appointment shall be valid for a two year term.)
- ④ Organizing committee: The organizing committee shall appoint a chair and a co-chair of the conference. Currently, Dr. Takeshi Terui shall be head of the organizing committee to manage SCPSC. In principle, a conference shall be held every two years, a regular committee meeting twice a year, and other meetings according to the preparation condition of the conference. If a person is considered appropriate as a member of this committee, this shall be decided by discussion.
- ⑤ Conference chair and co-chair: Both the chair and co-chair shall be decided by the Organizing Committee, but it is desirable that they be selected from within the committee.
- ⑥ Dr. Hideki Onishi has been appointed as conference chair, and Dr. Takao Takahashi as co-chair for the 2nd SCPSC in 2017, and Dr. Takeshi Terui has been appointed as chair in 2019.
- ⑦ Secretariat: Higashi Sapporo Hospital will perform office operations, execution of the budget for conference management under the guidance of the conference chair.

2. Plans for the 2nd SCPSC

- ① The conference shall be held for two days, June 16 and 17, 2017, at Sapporo Park Hotel.

②The budget and participation fee will be discussed, and details will be reported later.

③Regarding program preparation, the requests and opinions of each committee will be consolidated under responsibility of the chair and co-chair, and the framework will be completed before the end of December, 2015. More than 10 people are to be invited as lecturers from overseas. Determination of each lecturer shall be carried out with approval of each committee.

④Selection of each lecture subject shall mainly be determined by the Organizing Committee.

⑤The program shall be published on the website in March 2016.

⑥Public appeal for general lecture subjects have been postponed at this time.

⑦English will be the common language, but simultaneous English-Japanese interpretation will be set up.

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