

Demonstration wards for the standardized cancer pain management in China

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The campaign for establishing “Demonstration Wards for the Standardized Cancer Pain Management” was launched nationwide by the China Ministry of Health (MOH) in 2011 with an attempt to further enhance the standardized cancer management, optimize the diagnosis and treatment systems for major diseases, improve the standardized cancer pain management in tumor hospitals, and improve the quality of life of cancer patients. In accordance with the requirements of the campaign, 30 provincial health authorities recommended 90 candidate hospitals, which were further accredited by expert groups organized by MOH. Finally, 67 departments was listed as the first group of “Demonstration wards for the standardized cancer pain management” (hereafter referred to as “the demonstration wards”) (*Table 1*) and 20 as “Demonstration wards for the standardized cancer pain management - To Be Verified” (hereafter referred to as “the TBV wards”) (*Table 2*).

The MOH urges all the demonstration wards to further improve their standardized cancer pain management and serve as model institutions in this field. According to MOH, these demonstration wards should: (I) standardize their cancer pain management practices in accordance with the Guidelines on Cancer Pain Management (2011 Edition) and enhance the quality control in their healthcare services; (II) serve as model institutions and provide training on cancer

pain management for local medical staff; and (III) formulate well-designed training protocols (including the recruitment of qualified teachers) to ensure the quality and effective of training. The MOH reiterated that re-accreditation will be arranged regularly, and non-eligible institutions will be removed from the list. The list has become valid since November 8, 2012 and will expire on December 31, 2014.

The MOH also hoped that all the TBV wards will further improve their work according to the campaign protocol. Verification events will be held 6 months later, and all the eligible TBV wards will finally enter the list of “Demonstration Wards for the Standardized Cancer Pain Management”.

The MOH hopes that all the provincial health authorities will, with the support of these demonstration wards, establish and optimize their regulations/policies on the standardized cancer pain management. The model roles of these demonstration wards as well as the training activities conducted by them will surely improve the cancer pain management and further standardize the clinical practices.

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Table 1 List of the demonstration wards for the standardized cancer pain management (released by the China Ministry of Health)

Provinces	Hospital	Ward	Hospital level
Beijing	Sino-Japanese Friendship Hospital	Pain Clinic	Tertiary
	Cancer Hospital, Chinese Academy of Medical Science	Department of General Oncology	Tertiary
	People Hospital, Peking University	Pain Clinic	Tertiary
	Beijing Cancer Hospital	Department of Integrative Medicine and Geriatrics	Tertiary
	Xuanwu Hospital of Capital Medical University	Pain Clinic	Secondary
	Aviation General Hospital	Department of Oncology	Secondary
	Daxing District People's Hospital, Beijing	Department of Oncology	Secondary
	Tianjin Medical University Cancer Institute and Hospital	Cancer Pain Management Center	Tertiary
	The First Affiliated Hospital of Tianjin University of Traditional Chinese Medicine	Department of Oncology	Tertiary
	Tianjin University of TCM Affiliated Wuqing Hospital of traditional Chinese Medicine	Department of Oncology	Secondary
Tianjin	Tianjin Ninghe Hospital	Department of Oncology	Secondary
	The Fourth Affiliated Hospital of Hebei Medical University	Department of Oncology	Tertiary
	The First Affiliated Hospital of Xingtai Medical College	Department of Oncology	Secondary
	Baoding Hengxing Hospital of Integrated Traditional and Western Medicine	Department of Oncology	Secondary
Hebei	Shanxi Cancer Hospital	Department of Rehabilitation	Tertiary
	People's Hospital of Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region	Department of Oncology	Tertiary
	Baotou Cancer Hospital	The Second Department of Chemotherapy	Secondary
Inner Mongolia	The First Affiliated Hospital of China Medical University	Department of Oncology	Tertiary
	Shengjing Hospital of China Medical University	Pain Clinic	Tertiary
	Liaoning Cancer Hospital&Institute	The First Department of Oncology	Tertiary
Jilin	The First Hospital of Jilin University	Department of Oncology	Tertiary
	Jilin Cancer Hospital	Department of Integrative Medicine	Tertiary
	The Second Affiliated Hospital of Harbin Medical University	Pain Clinic	Tertiary
Heilongjiang	A'cheng People's Hospital, Harbin	Department of Oncology	Secondary
	Fudan University Cancer Hospital	Department of Oncology	Tertiary
	The Second Affiliated Hospital, the Second Military Medical University	Department of Oncology	Tertiary
	Shanghai Sixth People's Hospital	Department of Oncology	Tertiary
	Shanghai Tenth People's Hospital	Department of Oncology	Tertiary
Jiangsu	Chongming Branch of Xinhua Hospital Affiliated to Shanghai Jiaotong University	Department of Oncology	Secondary
	Jing'an District Central Hospital, Shanghai	Department of Oncology	Secondary
	Affiliated Hospital of Xuzhou Medical College	Department of Oncology	Tertiary
	Jiangsu Cancer Hospital	Department of Oncology	Tertiary
Zhejiang	Jiangsu Provincial People's Hospital	Department of Oncology	Tertiary
	The Second Affiliated Hospital, Zhejiang University School of Medicine	Department of Oncology	Tertiary
	Run Run Shaw Hospital of Zhejiang University School of Medicine	Department of Oncology	Tertiary
	Zhejiang Provincial People's Hospital	Department of Oncology	Tertiary
	Zhejiang Provincial Cancer Hospital	Department of Oncology	Tertiary
People's Hospital of Xinchang County, Zhejiang	People's Hospital of Xinchang County, Zhejiang	Department of Oncology	Secondary

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Provinces	Hospital	Ward	Hospital level
Anhui	Anhui Provincial Hospital Ningguo People's Hospital	Department of Chemotherapy Department of Oncology	Tertiary Secondary
Fujian	Fujian Provincial Hospital Fujian Cancer Hospital Fujian Medical University Union Hospital	Department of Oncology Department of Oncology Department of Oncology	Tertiary Tertiary Tertiary
Jiangxi	Jiangxi Cancer Hospital	The Sixth Department of Internal Medicine	Tertiary
Shandong	Affiliated Hospital of Shandong University School of Medicine Zhangqiu People's Hospital	Department of Oncology Department of Oncology Department of Oncology	Tertiary Secondary Tertiary
Henan	The First Affiliated Hospital of Zhengzhou University Henan Cancer Hospital	Department of Oncology Department of Oncology	Tertiary Tertiary
Hubei	Tongji Hospital of Tongji Medical College of Huazhong University of Science and Technology Tongji Hospital of Tongji Medical College of Huazhong University of Science and Technology	Department of Oncology Tumor Center	Tertiary
Hunan	Hebei Cancer Hospital Henan Cancer Hospital	The Third Oncology Clinic Department of Breast Tumor	Tertiary Tertiary
Guangdong	Sun Yat-sen University Cancer Center Guangdong Provincial People's Hospital The First People's Hospital of Foshan, Guangdong Brian Ho Memorial Hospital of Panyu District, Guangdong	Department of Oncology The First Department of Oncology Department of Oncology The Fourth Department of Internal Medicine	Tertiary Tertiary Tertiary Secondary
Guangxi	Guangxi Autonomous Regional Cancer Hospital & Cancer Hospital of Guangxi Medical University	The First Department of Chemotherapy	Tertiary
Hainan	Affiliated Hospital of Hainan Medical College Nongken Nada Hospital of Hainan	Department of Oncology Department of Oncology	Tertiary Secondary
Chongqing	The First Affiliated Hospital of Chongqing Medical University	Pain Clinic	Tertiary
Sichuan	Cancer Hospital of Sichuan Province	Department of Oncology	Tertiary
Yunnan	Yunnan Cancer Hospital	Department of Palliative Medicine	Tertiary
Shanxi	The First Affiliated Hospital of Xi'an Jiaotong University School of Medicine Shanxi Cancer Hospital	Department of Oncology Department of Integrative Medicine	Tertiary Tertiary
Ningxia	Cancer Hospital, Ningxia Medical University General Hospital	Department of Oncology	Tertiary
Xinjiang	People's Hospital of Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region Cancer Hospital, Xinjiang Medical University	Department of Oncology Department of Oncology	Tertiary Tertiary

Table 2 List of the demonstration wards for the standardized cancer pain management - to be verified (released by the China Ministry of Health)

Provinces	Hospital		Ward	Hospital level
Beijing	Wangjing Hospital of China Academy of Traditional Chinese Medicine	Department of Oncology		Tertiary
Tianjin	The Second Hospital of Tianjin Medical University	Pain Clinic		Tertiary
Liaoning	Wafangdian Municipal Central Hospital	Department of Oncology		Secondary
Heilongjiang	The Second Affiliated Hospital of Harbin Medical University	Pain Clinic		Tertiary
Shanghai	Huashan Hospital, Fudan University	Department of Oncology		Tertiary
Jiangsu	Jiangsu Hospital for Provincial Governmental Staff	Department of Oncology		Secondary
	Second People's Hospital of Changzhou	Department of Oncology		Tertiary
Zhejiang	The Second Affiliated Hospital, Zhejiang University School of Medicine	Department of Oncology		Tertiary
Anhui	Fuyang Cancer Hospital	Department of Oncology		Secondary
Fujian	The First Affiliated Hospital of Chongqing Medical University	Department of Chemotherapy		Tertiary
Shandong	Shandong Cancer Hospital	Department of Oncology		Tertiary
	Shandong Provincial Hospital	Pain Clinic		Tertiary
Henan	The Third Affiliated Hospital of Xinxiang Medical College	Department of Oncology		Secondary
Hubei	The First Hospital of Huangshi City	The Second Department of Oncology		Secondary
Sichuan	West China Hospital of Sichuan University	Department of Oncology		Tertiary
Guizhou	Guizhou Provincial Cancer Hospital	Department of Thoracic Tumor		Tertiary
Gansu	Gansu Provincial People's Hospital	Department of Oncology		Tertiary
Qinghai	Affiliated Hospital of Qinghai University	Department of Oncology		Tertiary
Xinjiang	The First Affiliated Hospital of Xinjiang Medical University	Department of Oncology		Tertiary
Xinjiang Production and Construction Corps	The First Affiliated Hospital of Shihezi University School of Medicine	Department of Oncology		Tertiary