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**WHO Collaborating Centre on
Community Safety Promotion**



International Safe Community Hospitals Criteria:

Applicants must meet the following Criteria for designations:

1) Provision for optimum utilization of multidisciplinary and cross sectoral approaches.

Why? Prevent injuries and promote safety at the hospital under the broad objective of Community Safety.

How ? Mobilize supports from all sectors of the hospital through collaborative approach for effective necessary actions.

2) Developing framework for promoting collective actions including active involvement with safe hospital networks.

Why? Support activities addressing safety problems at the intra- and inter- hospital level (local, regional and international)

How? Collective actions; focused attention towards injury prevention and safety promotion; nurturing and demonstrating the willingness to develop the framework and network.

3) Facilitations and collaborative supports for hospital-based strategic planning including surveillance mechanism.

Why? Surveillance mechanism will provide necessary materials for better planning and evaluations.

How? Scientific documentations of injuries, economic burden through collaborative supports under the hospital's strategic planning. Able to provide expert guidance in the documentation and monitoring of injuries and their causes.

4) Consultations – establishment and widening of Safe Hospital movement.

Why? Follow the prime objective of the Safe Community movement of the Collaborating Centre on Community Safety Promotion, an initiative of the World Health Organization.

How? Share experience; Promotes the understanding and adoption of the Safe Hospital movement as a recognized colleague.

5) Demonstration of both leadership and stewardship in addressing priority injury issues, high risk, and vulnerable groups.

Why? Service-seekers (patients) and service providers (hospital staff) inherit the motivation for injury prevention and safety promotion.

How? Share knowledge; continuous up-gradation of research findings in the related fields, actions based on injury prevention strategies; focus on need-based individuals (priority setting) from at-risk population; pre-defined intervention strategies; dissemination of knowledge and expertise.

6) Demonstration of long term commitment to supporting Safe Hospitals and the Safe Hospital Network as an organizational strategic plan.

Why? Ensure the steady expansion of the Safe Hospital movement at the local, regional and international levels.

How? Sustainable resource generation for organizational activities of Safe Hospitals and sharing knowledge through strong learning goals within Safe Hospital Network.

7) Supports for optimum utilization of appropriate measures to evaluate effectiveness of injury prevention and safety promotion at the community level.

Why? Facilitate program management and delivery through internal evaluations and external evaluations (if possible).

How? Promoting capabilities to act on the interests of the hospital as well as of the communities by using appropriate scientific approaches. Outcome and economic evaluations.

8) Supports and reports on Safe Community through activities and research efforts.

Why? Promote safety and prevent injuries at the hospital under the broader objective at the community level.

How? Through hospital mechanism gradually developing the Safe Community movement; Accessible systematic dissemination of knowledge and expertise; Involvement of the community stakeholders.

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