



Asia Pacific Hospice Palliative Care Network

Intensive Care Palliative Care Special Interest Group (ICPC-SIG): Terms of Reference

Chair: Professor Naveen Salins

Composition and Membership of Subcommittees

ICPC Education and Research Subcommittee

Members: Dr Seema Rao (PC)

Dr Stephanie Hill (PC)

Professor Nancy Preston (PC)

Professor Catherine Walshe (PC)

Dr Joshua Hauser (PC)

Dr Vishal Shanbaugh (ICU)

Asia Pacific Representative (PC Physician providing ICU PC) (PC)

Asia Pacific Representative (ICU Physician inclined towards PC) (ICU)

ICPC Capacity Building, ICU Policy and Procedure Subcommittee:

Members: Dr Rajesh Shetty (ICU)

Professor Shwetapriya Rao (ICU)

Dr Anna Wilkinson (PC)

Dr Carol Davis (PC)

Dr Dominic Moore (ICU)

Dr Rob Chambers (ICU)

Asia Pacific Representative (PC Physician providing ICU PC) (PC)

Asia Pacific Representative (ICU Physician inclined towards PC) (ICU)

ICPC Advocacy, National Level Policy and Legislations:

Members: Professor Sushma Bhatnagar (PC)

Dr Nagesh Simha (PC)

Dr Raj Kumar Mani (ICU)

Professor Shiva Iyer (ICU)

Dr Dhvani Mehta (Lawyer)

Dr Julie Wilding (PC)

Asia Pacific Representative (PC Physician providing ICU PC) (PC)

Asia Pacific Representative (ICU Physician inclined towards PC) (ICU)

Purpose

The purpose of the Intensive Care Palliative Care Special Interest Group (ICPC-SIG) is to promote education and research, foster capacity, advocate, develop institutional and national policies and procedural guidelines, and enhance palliative care engagement in the intensive care setting.

Objectives of the SIG and Subcommittees

1. To develop education resources for palliative care provision in intensive care



2. To develop evidence on the role of palliative care in intensive care through single-centre and multi-centre research
3. To develop capacity for palliative care provision in the intensive care
4. To develop generic policies and procedural guidelines that have a potential for contextual adaptation
5. To conduct awareness programs for healthcare providers and the public and advocate for palliative care provision in intensive care.
6. To facilitate the development of national policies, judicial reforms and legislation, which might enable palliative care provision in intensive care.

Terms of Reference

1. To ensure education resources created are up to date, evidence-based, relevant and meets all the technical and ethical standards of publication.
2. To ensure research conducted has representation of diverse population, geographic and clinical practice setting, and all ethical concerns related to the studies are adequately addressed.
3. To ensure capacity-building efforts and development of policies and procedural guidelines have representation from all stakeholders and has a generalisability and transferability potential.
4. To ensure the creation of national policies on limitation of treatment and end of life care has a common thread of purpose, justification, and interventions across country settings.

List of Deliverables

1. To develop an ICU-PC training program in collaboration with EPEC (Education on Palliative and End of Life Care) as an EPEC adaptation termed *EPEC-Intensive care* by the end of 2023.
2. To conduct and participate in research on the quality of end-of-life care in intensive care and conduct studies related to discharges against medical advice and limiting life-sustaining treatment by the end of 2023.



3. To develop a resource toolkit for palliative care capacity-building initiatives in intensive care by the end of 2023.
4. To develop generic policies and procedural guidelines for limitation of treatment and end of life care in the ICU, which can be contextually adapted to various country and practice settings by the end of 2023.
5. To conduct five advocacy and awareness programs for healthcare providers and the public by the end of 2023.
6. Formulate a working group, prepare draft policies, and have meetings with the legislators, policymakers and judicial personnel by the end of 2023

Frequency of the Meetings

The sub-committees will meet every three months to discuss on progress of ongoing initiatives or new initiatives.

Interested professionals other than the member listed is invited to join the sub-committees. However, the listed members will collectively plan and execute the initiatives.

The committee chair must submit the minutes of all sub-committee meetings as a report to the Honorary Secretary no later than two weeks from the date of the sub-committee meetings.

Terms of reference review

The terms of reference will be reviewed and submitted to the Chairman for approval no later than three weeks from the date of the incoming council meeting.