

Questionnaire in 2017 (excerpts)

1. Did you experience anything useful in this training?

- This program was informative and impressive beyond expectation. Well organized. The training components provided various aspects of what happened, how the aftermath has been managed and what efforts are made in preparation for the future.
- As a nurse working for radiological medical institute, this is an important opportunity to understand the history having fought against radiation disasters. I could see first-hand radiation disorder, chromosomal abnormality which I usually see only in papers and documents. It is also meaningful to be able to listen to actual experiences of Fukushima nuclear power plants.
- The training let me know more than technical knowledge concerning about the harmful effects of A-bomb went off, but for sure, now I have a much wide vision than before.
- It was very helpful as I was able to review the surgical treatment of G.I. cancer at the Hiroshima University Hospital.

2. For what purposes exactly are you going to use the knowledge and skills that you have acquired through this training?

- Try to start immunological method use with fluorocytometry in my LAB.
- Will use the knowledge in my environmental health class for undergraduates. Hope to pass on what I have learned.
- This training disposes on me the need of a very aware use of image studies that use radiation in order to minimize as possible the patient's exposure to radiation meaning in pediatric group. In this sense, I will try to implement a protocol for a more rational use of CT scans in the emergency department of 'Nipo-Brazileiro' hospital.
- It is my intent to incorporate the knowledge obtained into my academic presentations, community discussions, and the direct delivery of patient care.

3. Please tell us your opinion of this training in order to improve HICARE's projects. What do you think of the curriculum and the length of this training?

- I would like to advise to have more students and undergraduate (junior scientists) in this training program. Maybe you should concentrate less on professors and other already experienced scientists. Also bigger learning in the groups could be better.
- I don't know if there is anything I would recommend that you do differently. I think each element of our visit was beneficial.

4. Stay in Hiroshima

(1) What impression did you have of staying in Hiroshima?

- The layout of the city with the multiple waterways, mountains, and entry into the Seto Inland Islands is beautiful. I am impressed by the citizens' commitment to their history

and to peace.

- Hiroshima is a pleasant and beautiful city. I will forever remember the many people I met in Hiroshima for their kindness, hospitality, and their love of peace.
- The quality of life in the city of Hiroshima is very good as it is clean, modern, with wide tree lined streets, well served transportation with good educational level and for us Brazilians very safe as in any part of Japan. Hiroshima is a pleasant and beautiful city. I will forever remember the many people I met in Hiroshima for their kindness, hospitality, and their love of peace.

(2) Please tell us about what you felt to be inconvenient during the stay in Hiroshima.

- I had nothing inconvenient. It is a kind and clean city, which is impressive.
- I would be more useful if the provided map has more of landmarks as noticeable points.

5. Impressions about the training

- While all the talks were worthwhile, some were truly moving and great! Mrs. Keiko Ogura's and Dr. Kamada's talks were exceptional! I strongly recommended that HICARE record their wisdom on video, so that many future generations will be able to benefit from them as well.
- I think the sequence of the lectures was also very well-planned and provided us with an appropriately increasing level of knowledge after each lecture, ultimately culminating with our last lectures at the RERF which from my studies I know is the official and premier research institution on the topic of the effects of radiation exposure on populations.
- The biggest impression from the training is the people, how everyone in HICARE and the related network partners is dedicated to what they do. Truly impressive.