

18th Annual Meeting of Japanese Association for Disaster Medicine and Committee for Disaster Public Health Manuals.(2013/1/19)

Venue: Kobe Convention Center

Topics: Lessons and preparedness from 1.17 and 3.11

On Jan. 17-19, Prof. Shinichi Egawa and Hiroyuki Sasaki attended the 18th Annual Meeting of Japanese Association for Disaster Medicine in Kobe. More than 1400 of medical doctors, nurses, public health nurses, rescue and ambulant attendants, self-defense force and logisticians attended the congress 18th memorial of Hanshin-Awaji Great Earthquake and 2nd memorial of Great East Japan Earthquake. The congress aims at the lessons and future preparedness and collected the historical 440 presentations. Symposium was held on “Preparedness for large scale disaster” .

Robert Eldridge from U.S. Marine Corps made a special lecture on Tomodachi Operation especially on Kesennuma Oshima and attracted the participants by its reality and the changing future collaboration of U.S. Army and the Japanese local governments in future megadisasters. Public forum about international cooperation on the public health crisis focused on the UN based humanitarian response, cluster approach and international comparison of the acceptance ability of international humanitarian aids. Prof. Shigeki Kushimoto of Tohoku University Hospital Emergency Center presented the trend of acute medical and public health needs after GEJE.

Emargo Seminar was held that simulates the medical control in disaster. Attendees were divided into 15 stations representing prefectural head quarter, disaster base hospitals in and out of affected area, the actual site of hazard area, fire department, DMAT head quarter. 50 attendees with similar number of preceptors actively performed the interactive time wrapped program.

There was an initiating committee meeting to coordinate the manuals and tools for disaster medical and public health support. Representatives from stake holders including DMAT, JMTDR, Nurse Association, Public Health Centers, Public Health Nurse Association, National Information Center of Disaster Mental Health, Japan Primary Care Association, Japan Red Cross and IRIDeS. This committee aims at the integration and coordination of manuals and tools used in disaster to achieve effective medical and public health care support. Tohoku University Emeritus Prof. Naruo Uehara organized this meeting.



Emargo Seminar



Exhibition of emergency vehicle and tents
Shinichi Egawa (Disaster Medical Science)