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Kenyan National Pathology Network

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Pathologists working in peripheral hospitals in Kenya as in many other African countries are usually young and not very experienced. They do not have access to consultations or to continuing medical education (CME). This program should be a valuable adjunct to standard training in the interpretation of cytological preparations in hematology.

INSTITUTIONS

- Kenyatta National Hospital

OBJECTIVES

To establish a national pathology network using iPath, in order to link departments of pathology in the periphery with the Kenyatta National Hospital. The pathologists from there will provide consultations for their colleagues in the periphery. When specialist's opinions are needed, members of the INCTR International Faculty will provide the consultations.

METHODS

The Kenyatta National Hospital is equipped for the use of iPath, so are several other hospitals in the country, such as the Department of Pathology, Kisumu Hospital and the Department of Pathology, Moi University Eldoret. The cases discussed at meeting of local pathologists in Nairobi are uploaded on iPath, to be studied online by pathologists who do not have the opportunity to attend the meetings as means of CME.

PROGRESS

Cases have been uploaded for consultations from Department of Pathology, Kisumu Hospital and the Department of Pathology, Moi University Eldoret.

FUTURE PLANS

An onsite evaluation of needs of other hospitals throughout Kenya is planned to enable them to join the project.