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Lebanon Receives an IAEA-WHO-IARC imPACT Mission

A team of international experts from the IAEA, the World Health Organization (WHO) and the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) carried out an imPACT Review Assessment mission in Lebanon in November 2013.

Conducted upon the request of the Member States' national health authority, the mission noted Lebanon's strengths in cancer diagnosis and treatment, and indicated areas for improvement in cancer control, such as in cancer registration, prevention, early detection and palliative care.

The experts reviewed cancer-related services at 11 hospitals and undertook site visits to the National Cancer Registry, pathology clinics and facilities offering primary health care and palliative care services.

Lebanon's imPACT mission was implemented through funds allocated from the IAEA Peaceful Uses Initiative. The report will be delivered to respective national health authorities in early 2014 and will contain findings and technical recommendations to advance cancer control in the country.

PACT conducted twelve imPACT Review missions to IAEA Member States in 2013, including missions to Bangladesh, Benin, Botswana,

Cambodia, Cameroon, Haiti, Jamaica, Lebanon, Oman, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea and Tunisia.

Background

imPACT Reviews provide an evaluation of a country's readiness to implement cancer control programmes, conducting an assessment of the national cancer burden and offering recommendations on developing the cancer control capacity. The recommendations can then be used to produce or augment a National Cancer Control Programme, which may support national and international stakeholders in the development and implementation of effective measures that respond to the cancer control needs of the country.

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