

**Workshop 1 – Saturday 30 August 2008, ICC Durban:
08H30 – 16H30.**

Title:

The International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF): introduction and application.

Format:

- Introduction to the ICF including exercises.
- Introduction to the development of ICF Core Sets.
- Presentation of ICF projects worldwide.
- Presentation of areas of application including exercises.
- Discussion.

Chair:

Gerold Stucki.

Faculty:

Inge Kirchberger.
Alexandra Rauch.

**Workshop 2 – Sunday 31 August 2008, ICC Durban:
08H30 – 13H00.**

Title:

International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF)
- How to apply ICF Tools in a structured rehabilitation management
in SCI.

Background:

The ICF is the universal standard to describe the functioning and disability of patients with health conditions. An ICF-based management using ICF-based tools is required to implement it in the rehabilitation process of persons with Spinal Cord Injury (SCI).

Objective:

The aims of the workshop are to (1) present different ICF-based Tools (ICF Core Set for SCI, ICF Assessment Sheet, ICF Categorical Profile and ICF Evaluations Display), to (2) illustrate their integration into a structured rehabilitation process based on case examples, and (3) to enable rehabilitation practitioners to handle these ICF-based Tools in rehabilitation practice.

Methods:

Case studies elaborated in project “ICF-based case studies in SCI” (www.icf-casestudies.org) performed at the Swiss Paraplegic Research, Nottwil, Switzerland will be presented after an introduction to the ICF and to ICF-based tools. Practical exercises for the implementation of all ICF-based tools in the different steps of the rehabilitation process will be performed by the participants and discussed in the group.

After the workshops the participants will know:

1. The conceptual background of the ICF.
2. How to find information in the ICF.
3. How to apply the ICF in the rehabilitation practice using ICF-based tools.

Faculty:

Alexandra Rauch.

Dr Gerold Stucki.

Dr Inge Eriks-Hoogland.

**Workshop 3 – Monday 01 September 2008, ICC Durban:
Track B, 14H00 – 16H30.**

Title: Taxomy of Non-Traumatic Spinal Cord Injury (NTSCI):
International SCI Data Sets Project.

It is well documented that damage to the 'neural elements in the spinal canal (spinal cord and cauda equina) resulting in resolving or permanent neurological deficit' can arise from non traumatic causes ie Non-traumatic spinal cord injury (NTSCI).

Currently, there is no internationally agreed definition on exactly what conditions should be considered as NTSCI. Work has been progressing, however, to enable classification of NTSCI for the International Data Set. This workshop will be preceded by a survey of clinicians working in this field using a Delphi process and all participants will be provided with reading material.

The workshop will be designed to help clarify the taxonomy and, in particular, clarify the difficult issues of classification when there is an iatrogenic component to the development of neurological loss and where underlying conditions such as HIV/AIDS complex disorders have resulted in neurological loss. A final survey of participants will take place following the workshop so that the taxonomy can be finalised.

Faculty:

Dr Ruth Marshall (Chair / Facilitator).

Dr Peter New.

A Spinal Surgeon.

A South African SCI Physician who looks after people with HIV/AIDS related SC lesions.

Possibly one other.

**Workshop 4 – Tuesday 02 September 2008, ICC Durban:
Track A, 14H00 – 16H30.**

Title: Spinal Cord Outcomes Partnership - Standards and Outcomes for assessing SCI: Integrating into Clinical Trials.

Introduction: Marcalee Sipski, MD and John Steeves, PhD.

The International Standards for Neurological Classification of Spinal Cord Injury: Should it be modified to two versions? A brief clinical version and a more extensive research version? Ralph Marino, MD.

A brief update and viewing of the Internet Training programs for the International Standards for Neurological Classification of Spinal Cord Injury: William Waring, MD.

The Autonomic Standards: The final version: Andrei Krassioukov, MD, PhD and Marcalee Sipski, MD.

International Data Sets: An update and discussion Fin Biering-Sorensen, MD, PhD.

SCOPE (Spinal Cord Outcomes Partnership Endeavor)—year 1 progress and update: Where will we go in 2008 and 2009? John Steeves, PhD.

**Workshop 5 – Wednesday 03 September 2008, ICC Durban:
Track A, 08H30-10H00.**

Title: Urodynamics by urologists for non-urologists.

Aim:

To teach and discuss the different parameters used to obtain a functional diagnosis of the neurogenic lower urinary tract in spinal cord injured patients. A forum of discussion is created by urologist and rehabilitation specialist together.

Faculty:

Urologist: JJ Wyndaele Chair.

Rehabilitation doctor: Fin Biering Sorensen.

Programme:

1. Introduction: why urodynamic testing.
2. Urodynamic testing in short.
3. What does the rehabilitation doctor expect from it?
4. What can the urologist deliver?
5. Demonstration, interpretation of urodynamic testing's in patients with different type and level of Spinal Cord lesion. Direct link to treatment.