

PHARMACOVIGILANCE WORKSHOP FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS



(PV Webinar for healthcare professionals, 26th August 2020)

In pharmacovigilance (PV) activities, healthcare professionals play important roles in the PV system to assist, monitor, and evaluate safety of drugs in circulation. Based on this, Badan POM and JICA Project held a webinar for healthcare professionals on 26th August 2020 in Jakarta.

The purpose of this activity was to increase the understanding and competence of healthcare professionals in understanding pharmacovigilance activities, especially in reporting drug side effects or unwanted events so as to strengthen the capacity of healthcare professionals in achieving better patient safety or patient safety goals.

This meeting is a good opportunity to get input from related sectors as well as to formulate recommendations for strengthening the pharmacovigilance system and to increase the number of reports of adverse drug reactions in Indonesia. Although there has been an increase in the reports in the last three years, this data is still relatively small in number in terms of area size and population, compared to data for other countries in Asia.

In this workshop, Dra. Rita Endang, Apt., M.Kes as Deputy

Chairperson for Drug, Narcotics, Psychotropics, Precursors, and Addictive Substances Control mentioned that Badan POM as the National Pharmacovigilance Center continued to encourage healthcare professionals to actively contribute to PV activity, particularly in reporting adverse drug reactions. Dra. Tri Asti Isnariani, Apt, M. Pharm from Badan POM presented PV system in Indonesia, dr. Nafrialdi, PhD, SpPD from Universitas Indonesia briefed the basic PV, and the Adverse Event Reporting and Causality Assessment was delivered by dr. Jarir At Thobari, PhD from Universitas Gadjah Mada. In addition, Mr. Yoshihiko Sano, JICA expert (chief adviser), also joined in online to deliver materials on the PV system and the implementation of Safety Communications during the pandemic situation in Japan.

Badan POM and JICA have collaborated to develop the pharmacovigilance module for healthcare professionals. Based on this, this workshop aims to increase understanding and awareness of pharmacovigilance for healthcare professionals. Through those presentations and the panel discussion, JICA project appreciates it if participants can increase their knowledge and understandings in the area of pharmacovigilance.