

## 6th National Scientific Conference on Lung Health



The 6th National Scientific Conference on Lung Health hosted by Vietnam association against Tuberculosis & Lung diseases and Vietnam National Lung hospital, was successfully held at Eden Plaza in Danang, Vietnam on 21–22 August 2015. The conference theme was “*Good control of respiratory diseases from hospital to community*” as the continuation of APRC2013’s theme “Optimal use of new technology and approach in Lung health”.

The conference honorably welcomed A/Prof. Nguyen Thi Xuyen – Vice Minister of Ministry of Health, Prof. Pham Manh Hung - president of Vietnam Medical Association; A/Prof. Dinh Ngoc Sy – president of Vietnam Association Against TB and Lung diseases (VATLD), A/Prof. Nguyen Viet Nhung - Manager of the National Tuberculosis Control Program (NTP) cum Director of National Lung Hospital, with the participation of over 700 delegates, including representatives of the provincial NTPs, nation-wide and international organizations/associations/NGOs such as PATH, CDC (Center for Disease Control and Prevention), FIND, KNCV, PSI, WHO, Woolcock, Vietnam Women Union, Vietnam Farmer Union...In addition, the conference also attracted many pharmaceutical firms & medical equipment companies exhibiting their products and advertising their trademark, which is good opportunity for all delegates in exchanging research and practical information in TB and lung diseases.

This year, the conference theme reflected growing concerns about the need to match requirements on optimal use of standard techniques in specialized practice and direction for treating tuberculosis and lung diseases. The vital importance of propaganda and control respiratory diseases in community was a recurrent theme throughout the two-day scientific programme, which also presented the latest approaches in proper treatment regimens to the related fights against tuberculosis, lung and respiratory diseases.

Our conference’s topics includes several main fields: Update on COPD and Asthma Control Guideline in Vietnam 2015 (VNAC2015), Comprehensive Lung cancer Treatment, thoracic surgery – new orientation, Hospital acquired Pneumonia (HAP), respiratory failure and treatment, New advance in endoscopic diagnosis and intervention in thoracic pathologies, tumors

in the chest and lung cancer, pleural disease, infectious lung disease, community acquired pneumonia (CAP), TB and TB control, MDR-TB diagnosis and treatment, PAL implementation results in Vietnam, rare lung diseases, Lung diseases and environment, infection control in hospital, endoscopy and surgery, Asthma and COPD management in community, case studies.

Apart from scientific session discussion, the conference also rewarded to excellent individuals and provincial organizations who has gained considerable achievements in control respiratory diseases from hospital to community. Nearly 30 newspapers/magazines/Broadcasting also came to report about the conference such as Vietnam Television, Vietnam news agency, Voice of Vietnam,..

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