

The Second International Conference on Psychosocial Oncology “Psychosocial Support and Communication in Cancer Care: Challenges and Experiences”

INTRODUCTION

Dear Colleagues,

Association of Psychosocial Oncology together with the Lithuanian Society of Oncology and the Institute of Oncology, Vilnius University organized an international conference on communication skills training for medical professionals dealing with cancer patients.

The Second International Conference on Psychosocial Oncology “Psychosocial Support and Communication in Cancer Care: Challenges and Experiences” took place in Vilnius, Lithuania, May 9, 2014.

The Minister of Health, V. Andriukaitis, The President of Lithuanian Academy of Sciences, V. Razumas, the representative of Vilnius University Oncology Institute, Prof. J. Didžiapetrienė, participated in the Conference. In total, up to 200 professionals from different parts of Lithuania took part in the Conference. The proposition to broaden the psycho-oncological help, by applying the most advanced, scientifically proven methods, was made.

I would recommend the reader the following first two articles which material was presented at the Conference for publishing.

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