The WFH Path to Access to Care and Treatment (PACT) program

A 5-year initiative designed to improve outreach and diagnosis and increase access to sustainable care for people with inherited bleeding disorders. This will be achieved through training, education, partnerships, in-country initiatives and evidence-based advocacy.

The Need

People in bleeding disorders communities face a number of challenges getting access to proper care in many countries around the world. For example, the gap between observed versus expected people with hemophilia is even greater than it was estimated in the past—with only one third of the expected number of people with hemophilia having been identified globally so far.

Also, the COVID-19 pandemic put significant strain on public health systems and increased the need to maintain constructive dialogue with national governments to ensure that bleeding disorders care is sustained and further advanced. PACT aims to support the global bleeding disorders community by addressing all of the above needs, and more.

The PACT program aims to

1. IDENTIFY 20,000 new people with inherited bleeding disorders.

2. IMPROVE access to care through the training and education of patient leaders and healthcare providers on outreach, diagnosis, the management of bleeding disorders, and evidence-based advocacy.

3. INCREASE government support to establish or expand existing national bleeding disorders care programs.
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Countries are selected based on the following criteria:

- Demographic and economic indicators
- Strength and commitment of local leadership
- Level of bleeding disorders care in their healthcare system
- Overall potential for success

The PACT Advocacy Academy to provide NMO leaders and patient advocates with the necessary knowledge and skills to carry out successful evidence-based advocacy campaigns, including basic concepts and principles of care, access to therapies and procurement, an introduction to health economics, and the design and implementation of advocacy programs.

ONLINE TRAINING AND EDUCATION

Yearly virtual training sessions for healthcare professionals, focusing on outreach, diagnosis and the management of bleeding disorders. Ongoing training outcomes evaluation will be carried out to provide an assessment of additional needs and to gauge the capacity for progress.

NATIONAL ACCESS PLANS

Tailored 4 to 5-year national access plans for selected countries based on their needs. These plans will include personalized training, and on-the-ground support for outreach and advocacy campaigns to increase support from national governments. Collaboration between main stakeholders—the NMO, healthcare professionals and national governments—will be fostered in order to maximize the success of these programs.

GLOBAL AND REGIONAL MEETINGS

Global and regional training and meetings (starting in 2022) to serve as a forum for sharing best practices and experiences on evidence-based advocacy between community leaders. These collaborative forums will bring together NMO leaders, healthcare professionals and government representatives to promote dialogue and increase engagement among stakeholders.

Countries enrolled in PACT

The online training and education, and the global and regional meeting components of PACT are available to all countries, while 20 countries will be selected to work on the development and implementation of national access plans.

20 PACT target countries selected

- Argentina
- Bangladesh
- Bolivia
- Brazil
- China
- Costa Rica
- Egypt
- India
- Indonesia
- Kenya
- Malaysia
- Mexico
- Nepal
- Nicaragua
- Pakistan
- Palestine
- Senegal
- Vietnam
- Zambia

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