

GAAPP assists in Founding of Patient Organizations

Ten Points to make a Patient Organization successful

Identify an initial group of patients with a long-term interest to understand their disease, aiming for self-management and willing to share their experience

Prepare a Constitution/Statutes including

- a. Name and headquarter address
- b. Status of organization
- c. Area of activity
- d. Association's purpose
- e. Methods of achieving the association's purpose
- f. Define kinds of membership, rights and obligations of members and termination
- g. Define association bodies and their tasks and its dissolution
- 3 Prepare a framework for sustainable corporate partnership with supporters
- 4 Prepare an initial working plan for at least 1 year
- 5 Calculate hours of investment for board members
- 6 Elect board members
- Prepare communication tools (website, brochure, display for stands etc)
- 8 Communicate about the organization objectives and plans/projects to relevant stakeholders (Ministry of Health, other policy-makers, health-care professional organizations, peer NCD-NGOs)
- Expand Membership
- Report and communicate work of the association bodies to members and partners and motivate individuals serving in the board

So far: GAAPP assisted in building the Chinese Allergy and Asthma Patient Platform CAAPP and the Asthma and Allergies Association AAA Ethiopia

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