



# PAHO-IARC Collaboration Planning Meeting on Cancer Registries

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**PAHO Meeting in Collaboration with the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC),  
Lyon, France**

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## Agenda

**Purpose:** Discuss and begin to outline a collaborative workplan between PAHO and IARC to improve cancer registration in the Americas.

### Expected Outcomes

- 1- Better understanding of the needs for cancer registry improvement in the region, and the resources available within PAHO and IARC to address these needs.
- 2- A preliminary workplan for a five-year cooperation between PAHO-IARC to improve cancer registration.

### Day 1: 23 April 2009

1. Cancer incidence in the Region of the Americas (Latin America & Caribbean / LAC): Data from CI5IX, including methodology and selection criteria for registries included in the CI5IX; main problems found regarding mortality and incidence (Maria Paula Curado)

#### Discussion: Criteria, Methodology, Problems regarding Mortality and Incidence

2. Cancer Registries in Ecuador: Lessons Learned (Patricia Cueva)
3. Cali Cancer Registry: Online Communication (Luis Eduardo Bravo)
4. Brazil: What is Brazil doing to improve cancer registration? (Claudio Noronha, Deborah Carvalho Malta)
5. Barbados: Perspectives on Cancer Registration in Barbados and the Caribbean (Ian Hambleton)
6. PAHO Strategic Plan: How to enhance health information in the Region, including the section in the PAHO Cancer plan on improving cancer information in the Region (Branka Legetic)

#### Discussion: How data quality in registries can be improved and what is needed: Standardization of Procedures (Data Selection, Collection, Verification, Release, etc.)

7. Perceived needs from cancer registers in the region to better support national cancer programs (IARC Representative Eduardo Laura)

#### Discussion: Technical Support /Capacity-Building / Software

8. What is the best way to meet the needs of the Region: Cancer registers Network? Consortium? PAHO/IARC Collaborating Centers? (Group discussion /Maria Paula Curado)

#### Discussion: Options

### Day 2: 24 April 2009

9. Planning the activities for the next 5 years that will be part of the PAHO/IARC collaboration agreement.
10. Operational plan for 2009.
11. Conclusions and next steps