

HVP Country Node Establishment Workshop

The HVP Country Node Establishment Workshop, facilitated by the International Coordinating Office, will be an interactive forum where those hoping to establish an HVP Country Node in their own country or just interested in learning more about HVP Country Nodes can come together and discuss how best to achieve country-specific data collection.

The workshop will focus on four key areas:

1. defining the technical requirements of Node systems;
2. proposing organisational structures to support Node technical capacity;
3. gaining a broad overview of existing systems and solutions available for use; and
4. identifying next steps in garnering political support at the national level for HVP Country Nodes.

Outcomes and proposals from the workshop will be reported during the relevant sessions of the main meeting.

Delegates attending this workshop should expect to gain, through the discussions and exercises undertaken on the day, a solid understanding of what an HVP Country Node in their would look like, the support and systems available to countries wishing to establish an HVP Country Node and the knowledge necessary to develop a plan of action for Node establishment.

Programme

9.00	Welcome & Introductions	
9.15	Discussion: What is an HVP Country Node? – Technical	Alan Lo
9.45	Discussion: Technical requirements moving forward	
10.15	Integrated approach to decipher the complexity of gene alterations: application to Usher syndrome	David Baux
10.30	Coffee Break	
11.00	Discussion: What is an HVP Country Node? – Organisational	Timothy Smith
11.30	Discussion: Organisational structures and requirements	
12:00	Strategies for collection: The HVP-China Student Club	Peikuan Cong
12.10	Discussion: Available support from the HVP and elsewhere	Timothy Smith
12.30	Lunch	
2.00	Overview of Australian Node software	Alan Lo
2.15	Overview of ETHNOS	George Patrinos
2.30	Overview of LOVD	Johan den Dunnen
2.45	Overview of Malaysian software	Zilfalil bin Alwi

3.00	Overview of GEN2PHEN solutions	Anthony Brookes
3.15	Overview: ClinVar and other US ventures	Heidi Rehm
3.30	Coffee Break	
4.00	Discussion: Gaining political support within a country	Helen Robinson Julia Hasler
5.00	Discussion: Available support from the HVP and elsewhere	Timothy Smith