



AMANC

**Asociación Mexicana de Ayuda
a Niños con Cáncer, I.A.P.**

AMANC Marks International Childhood Cancer Day 2013

- An agreement was signed with the Federal District Government to increase care for low-income children and adolescents diagnosed with cancer.
- AMANC organized the 5th National Survivors Meeting to broach responsible sexuality. The two-day event with conferences and workshops was held at Universum Museum.

Mexico City.- The Mexican Association to Help Children With Cancer (AMANC), the organization that represents the International Confederation of Childhood Cancer Parent Organizations (ICCCPO) in Mexico, commemorated International Childhood Cancer Day 2013 with two events in Mexico City in addition to the many other activities to mark the ICCD and local media coverage in 23 AMANC-System centers in 21 states across the country.

On February 15, AMANC-Center and the government of the Federal District – the country’s capital as well as headquarters for the federal and local governments – signed an agreement to work together to increase care for low-income children and adolescents diagnosed with cancer and who lack social security so as to receive treatment in the Moctezuma Pediatric Hospital, that is part of the Federal District hospital network, and to receive support from the association through its Comprehensive Care Program.

Federal District Health Secretary, Armando Ahued Ortega, and the Founder and President of AMANC, Ms. Guadalupe Alejandre, signed the agreement at an event also attended by civil society organization representatives and the media.

The event helped to raise awareness in Mexico about the obstacles that childhood cancer patients and their families must overcome during treatments and to underscore the importance of promoting early detection campaigns with the aim of trying to achieve an 80-percent survival rate for children.

On February 21-22, AMANC organized the “5th National Childhood Cancer Survivors Meeting” that brought together experts to give conferences and workshops held at Universum science museum on the campus of the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM). Adolescents and youths who are childhood cancer survivors from Campeche, the Federal District, Mexico State, Puebla, Veracruz and Zacatecas attended the event.

The theme of the meeting was “responsible sexuality” and experts on sexuality and psychology from the National Cancer Institute (INCAN), the National Pediatrics Institute (INP), the National Psychiatry Institute (INPRF) and the National Perinatology Institute (INPER), as well as from UNAM and the Mexican Youth Institute (IMJUVE) took part. The meeting had the support of the National Pediatrics Institute and the Moctezuma Pediatric Hospital.











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