Sports Pharmacist System

JADA on Innovation.
“JADA Evolving” – Innovative thinking

- JADA looks to the edge of effective delivery of anti-doping program
- Enhanced education program is a priority
- Best use of professions for better outcome
- Strengthened partnerships domestically and globally
Most of Anti-Doping Rule Violations (ADRVs) in Japan are unintentional ingestion of prohibited substances – if an athlete had had an appropriate information, it would have been possible to prevent her/him from ADRV.

As per a ‘strict liability rule’, it is the athlete’s responsibility for taking anything that she/he takes into her/his body. However, it would be difficult to ensure to eliminate all the possibilities of prohibited substances from entering in the athletes’ bodies.

As nutritional supplements or over-the-counter drugs widely become available, it is claimed that there would be more ‘potential’ dangers for the athletes.

JADA examined all the past ADRV cases and the current and future developments of supplements market; it recognised the urgent necessity to enhance a program which the athletes can access to an expert knowledge and information anywhere, at any time.
“Sports Pharmacist”, Education - Objectives

- To create an environment where the athletes can feel safe in training and competing
- To prevent athletes from unnecessary inadvertent positive cases
- To ensure athletes accessing the professionals with the appropriate knowledge on prohibited substances and anti-doping regulations
- To strengthen the anti-doping movement
- To develop leaders to promote anti-doping activity

- The ultimate goal – “One Sports Pharmacist, At Any Local Pharmacy – anytime, anywhere in Japan”
JADA launched the “Sports Pharmacists System” in partnership with the Japan Pharmaceutical Association in 2009.

The Sports Pharmacist System is to certify the qualified pharmacists who are trained to have accurate knowledge in anti-doping and who can provide the appropriate information on medicine and the effects of drugs on health.

Those certified pharmacists are also expected to provide anti-doping education program to the athletes particularly from the pharmaceutical perspective.
Eligibility for Sports Pharmacist

- A fully-qualified and licensed pharmacist
- No age restriction
- The applicants should complete both “Basic” and “Practical” courses delivered by JADA and obtain the required minimum score in the exam
- Required for annual seminar course and recertification
The qualified Sports Pharmacist must annually take part in a practical lecture course in order to maintain a certification.

Certification renewal – Before the certification expires, the Sports Pharmacists need to take both “Basic” and “Practical” lecture courses and also obtain the minimum score in the examination.
Number of Pharmacists taking Seminar Lectures (2010-14)
HOW SP Works: Full accessibility

- Available for 24hrs, either via Telephone, Fax or Email
- At local drug store/pharmacist across Japan – face-to-face accessibility to the knowledge of prohibited substances and anti-doping regulations
- Web searching system on JADA web site allows anyone to look for the closest Sports Pharmacists
- One athlete, One Sports Pharmacists: Around 5,000 tests conducted by JADA – 5,000 certified Sports Pharmacists available in 2012
SPs especially targeted for:

- Prefectural delegations in the lead up to and during the National Sports Festival
- Top-level elite athletes, coaches and supporting staff
- Students and schools - especially focused around the appropriate medicine
- Also, the Public via web search
“Sports Pharmacist System”
- Advantages

- Managed by JADA in partnership with the Japan Pharmaceutical Association
  - All JADA’s information is provided to all 47 of the Prefectural Pharmaceutical Association by the Japan Pharmaceutical Association – this makes possible to make the information and message accessible for the athletes
  - Increased trust and knowledge of athletes in anti-doping and Prohibited List Possible
  - Possible to engage with the athletes to understand their needs
  - Athletes can have face-to-face conversation at the hospital, pharmacy or drug store across Japan
  - Since the certification is publicly recognised, the quality and standard can be sustained and consistency in information can be managed.
For the future Accessible education materials

- Ensuring the structure in place for ensuring the quality of Sports Pharmacists
- Effectively combining with education programs and materials
- Enhanced communications – structurally disseminate information on Sports Pharmacists across Japan
Ultimate Goal

One Sports Pharmacist at any corner of the local pharmacy
– anytime, anywhere in Japan for Play True, clean sport
In partnership with

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