Virtual Health Library
Prevention and Cancer Control: providing reliable information

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The Virtual Health Library (VHL) is a space for integration of information sources collectively produced and organized into geographic, thematic, biographical or institutional instances.

The creation of the VHL Prevention and Cancer Control aims at developing an open and collaborative space for the management of scientific and technical information regarding this subject. Information sources offer subsidies to managers and health professionals in decision making, training and public policy formulation.
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Aiming at promoting knowledge management in the area of cancer control in Brazil, the Ministry of Health created within its institutional VHL, a thematic area dedicated to it. However, the project met greater proportions and it became essential to develop a thematic VHL instance on prevention and cancer control which could function as a national information reference.
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Once a VHL develops its activities through a cooperative network of institutions which are users and producers of information, it was essential to structure such a network within the field of cancer control and develop a governance model that could allow its sustainable operation. The model is composed of Executive Secretary, Advisory Committee, Executive Committee and Responsibility Matrix.
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Information sources:

- Dissertations and Theses
- Events
- Publications
- Scientific Articles
- Posters and Presentations
- Historical Memory
- Websites Catalog
- Multimedia Materials

Other sources:

- MEDLINE
- LILACS
- ColeccionaSUS
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The development of VHL Prevention and Control of Cancer has been a success and the institutions that are part of the collaborative network are enriching the library databases with its scientific production. The experience of VHL Prevention and Cancer Control shows that having governance structures clearly defined from the beginning facilitates the collaborative work.

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