

Bogotá Training Center - WGO Info Package

Names: Clinica Reina Sofia Endoscopy Training Center
and
Clínica Universitaria Colombia Endoscopy Training Center
Location: Bogotá, Colombia
Center Director: Dr Luis Sabbagh

Introduction:

In response to training needs in Central and South America, on August 6, 2008, the Clinica Reina Sofia Endoscopy Training Center and the Clinica Universitaria Colombia Endoscopy Training Center were inaugurated in Bogotá, Colombia.

Clínica Riena Sofia has obtained significant recognition in digestive endoscopy both in Colombia and abroad, and a subspecialty program is being created under the auspice of a new medical school, Unisanitas.



Geography: Colombia is located in the northern region of South America, making the Center assessable for Central America countries as well as other countries located in the north of South America. The Center is housed in 2 University Clinics performing 2500 endoscopy procedures a month.

The Bogotá TC has three lines of training:

1. Fellow in Gastroenterology and Endoscopy
2. Fellow in Endosonography
3. Training in advanced therapeutic Colonoscopy.

The training center is well recognized in Latin America; doctors from Venezuela, Peru, Costa Rica, Argentina, and Mexico have all applied for training.

Bogotá is a nice city with nice weather (mean 18°celcius) with many places to stay near the Training Center.

Main Objectives / Goals:

The main objectives of the Bogotá Training Center include the provision of complementary endoscopy training, training in therapeutic endoscopy, training in endoscopic EUS, training in new technologies and research on new developments in endoscopy.

The geographic areas targeted for training includes Colombia, Central America and the Andean region.

Facilities:

Digestive Endoscopy Unit:

- Two adult and one paediatric endoscopy rooms

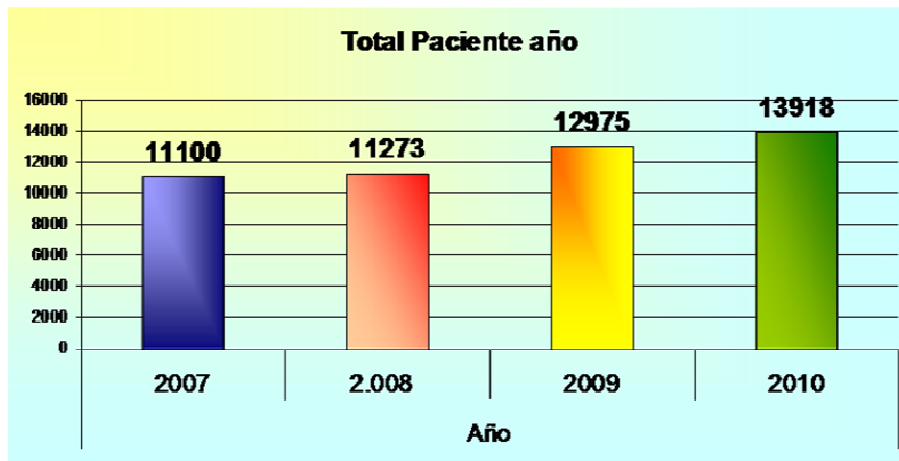
- One gastrointestinal physiology room
- Recovery room for sedated patients
- Dedicated area for equipment disinfection

ERCP Suite with digital radiology support

Experimental Animal Suite in development.

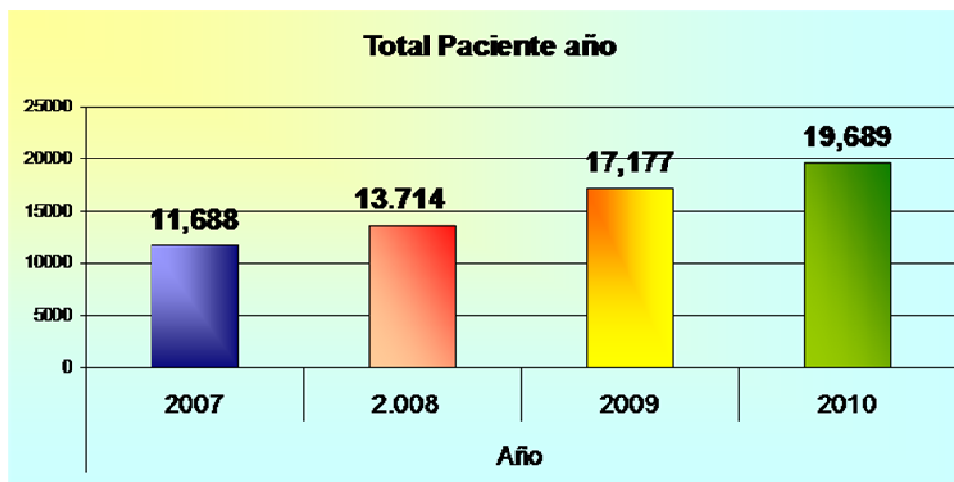
In Reina Sofia Clinic we have two EUS rooms for training in Endosonography and one room for training in colonoscopy.

ESTADISTICA COMPARATIVA ANUAL CRS 2007 - 2010



Number of procedures 2007 - 2010 Clinica Reina Sofia

ESTADISTICA COMPARATIVA ANUAL CUC 2007 - 2010



Number of procedures 2007 - 2010 CLINICA UNIVERSITARIA COLOMBIA

Teaching Facilities:

Training in Endosonography

- The total training duration: 6 months or Two periods of 3 months
- We accept 2 trainees
- Training includes Diagnostic and therapeutic endosonography.

Training in Colonoscopy

- Improvement of the technique. (diagnostic and therapeutic)
- Two month duration.
- One trainee each 2 month is accepted.
- Accommodations are available near the Training Center.

Faculty and Staff:

Luis Sabbagh MD.

Diego Aponte MD.

Benedicto Velasco MD

Fabian Valle MD

Albis Hani MD

Equipment and Procedures

Clinica Reina Sofia and Clinica Colombia

- NBI 180 Olympus Endoscopy Towers 2
- 160 Olympus Tower 2
- 150 Olympus Tower 1
- 145 Olympus tower 1

Areas of Training:

- Endoscopic Ultrasound (diagnostic and therapeutic)
- Colonoscopy: Improvement in diagnosis and therapeutic.

Courses Offered:

Short Courses

Gastroenterology and Endoscopy course with Live Cases

Dates: January 27 – 29 2011

International Endoscopic Nurses Course

Date: January 28 2011

Short to Long Term Training Opportunities:

- Endoscopic EUS – 6 months or 2 periods of 3 months
- Colonoscopy – 2 months

Regulatory Requirements:

Regulatory requirements for trainees:

- Health insurance

Certifications:

Finishing the training a Certificate will be available.

Trainee Application Process:

Trainee requirements for application include:

- Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- Medical school diploma in internal medicine or surgery for Gastroenterology and Endoscopy 2 years training
- Medical school diploma in Gastroenterology for Endosonography 6 months training
- Availability of equipment at home institution

Further Academic Activities:

Multicentre meetings every 15 days

State of the art in Gastroenterology and Endoscopy every 15 days

Revision of the literature every week

Endorsements:

The Bogotá Training Center has been endorsed by:

- the World Gastroenterology Organisation (WGO)
- Asociacion Colombiana de Gastroenterologia
- Asociacion Interamericana de Gastroenterologia (AIGE)

Funding / Sponsorship:

Funding and/or sponsorship is currently received from the following sources:

- the World Gastroenterology Organisation (WGO)
- Asociación Interamericana de Gastroenterologia (AIGE)
- Organización Sanitas Internacional
- Clínica Reina Sofía

Training Center Needs:

- Colonoscopy Scopes
- EUS scopes
- EUS and endoscopic Simulator

Bogotá Training Center Scholarship Amount:

Please contact the WGO Executive Secretariat for further information

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