

SMA Asia

Asia

Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Vietnam



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1. About

SMA Asia is a network, a collective of patient and civil society groups from across the Asia region, united by a shared commitment to empowering patients and families.

We believe that patients and families are the experts in their own lives and should be at the heart of everything we do. We operate on a flat, consensual structure, where every member has an equal voice ensuring all perspectives are considered and decisions are made collaboratively. We are committed to being open and candid in our communication and accountable to everyone in our network. We all have unique talents and strengths and focus on leveraging those so that by working together, we can achieve more than we ever could alone.

- Hong Kong SAR - Families of SMA Foundation
- India - Cure SMA Foundation of India
- Indonesia - Indonesian Spinal Muscular Atrophy Community
- Malaysia - WeCare Journey Association
- Philippines - SMA Philippines
- Singapore - Muscular Dystrophy Association (Singapore)
- Taiwan - Become the Miracle Association
- Vietnam - SMA Vietnam

2. Mission

Building Bridges, United in Strengths: A Collaborative Network for Spinal Muscular Atrophy in Asia

Every person living with Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA) in Asia has access to the best possible care and support, regardless of their background or location.

This is the vision of our network, a collective of patient and civil society groups from across the region, united by a shared commitment to empowering patients and families.

3. Focus

By combining our resources, expertise, and voices, we can:

- Raise awareness about SMA and advocate for better access to prevention, diagnosis, treatment, and care.
- Share knowledge and good practices, empowering each other to support our communities more effectively.
- Collaborate with stakeholders, including researchers, healthcare professionals, policymakers, consultancies, industry, anyone dedicated to improving the lives of those with SMA, to ensure that the needs of patients and families are always at the forefront of decision-making.

4. Coming up

SMA Asia is thrilled to announce its inaugural formation! While we're brimming with enthusiasm, we're also taking a measured approach to ensure our trajectory is both strategic and successful in achieving the mission. In the coming months, we'll be focusing on laying a strong foundation through dedicated quarterly meetings. These will serve as vital forums for brainstorming, strategizing, and solidifying our path forward. We're confident that through open communication and collaborative spirit, SMA Asia will flourish into a dynamic and impactful organization.