

## ***The future of Gastroenterology and Hepatology in Iraq***

*Current situation :-Gastroenterology practice and teaching is done mainly in the Gastroenterology and Hepatology teaching in Baghdad in collaboration with the Iraqi society of Gastroenterology and Hepatology and the two GIT centers in Mosul and Basra and Anbar and GIT clinics in the govern orates .*

*Our Hospital and Society follow all the activities and training in the above centers.*

*Training programs are done in the fields of:-*

*Gastrointestinal Endoscopy*

*Luminal Gastroenterology*

*Hepatology*

*GI surgery*

*Post graduate board certifications in:-*

*Medical Gastroenterology and Hepatology Board*

*Surgical Gastroenterology and Hepato biliary surgery Board*

### ***Future planning :-***

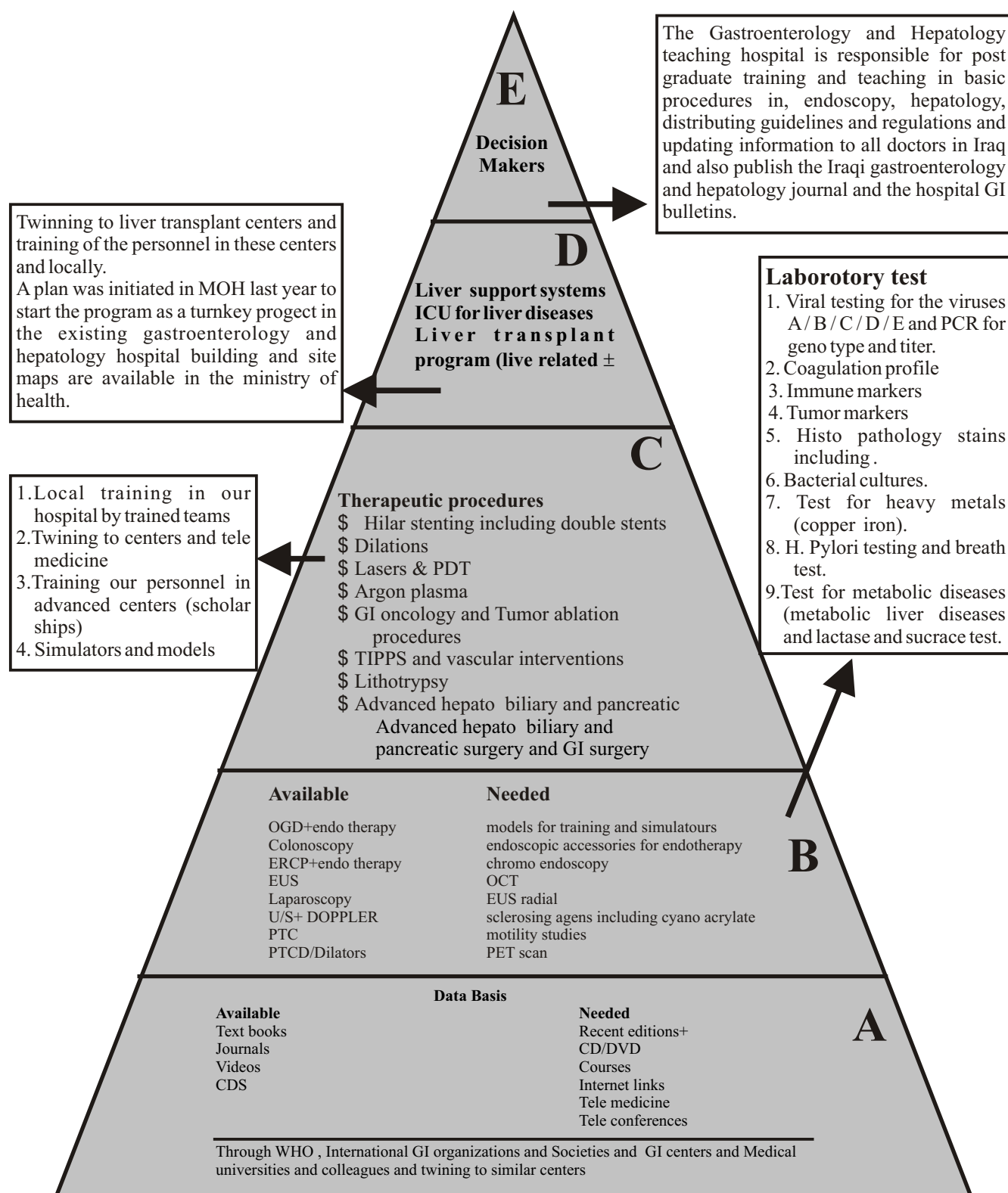
*We believe that we can advance our GIT and liver practice and training in Iraq by updating and upgrading the existing facilities according to the following schematic pyramid. Starting by level A which include data basis availabilities and linking to the Internet and to other centers.*

*Level B applies to upgrading GI services (endoscopy-hepatology-surgery-nutrition) to all GIT activities in the governorates .*

*Level C applies to advanced GIT and liver centers (Baghdad,Mousul,Basrah)*

*Level D applies to the Gastroenterology and Hepatology teaching hospital.*

*Level E decision makers (ministry of health, ministry of higher education, Iraqi society of Gastroenterology and Hepatology) and preferably a new medical university in Baghdad.*



Level A & B for all governorates

Level C for all GIT Centers (Baghdad, Mousal, Basra)

Level D Baghdad (Gastroenterology and Hepatology teaching Hospital)

Level E Ministry level (decision making and financing )