"Elephant Health Care Training Course" has been conducted for Japanese veterinarians, biologists, keepers and students under collaborated among Faculty of Veterinary Medicine-Chiang Mai University, The Thai Elephant Conservation Center-National Elephant Institute and Conservation Breeding Specialist Group (CBSG).

Since 2003, the training course was held every year until now. This training course aims to teach the basic knowledge about elephant health and also exchange the ideas and experiences of the participants about elephant related topics.

In 2011, the elephant health care training course-VIII was conducted between 27 February 2011 – 2 March 2011. The course consisted of one day lecture at Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Chiang Mai University for learning basic knowledge about elephant. Second day was held at Mae Sa elephant Camp, Chiang Mai for gaining the knowledge about how to manage the elephant health in elephant camp. Following by practical part at Thai Elephant Conservation Center, Lampang in Third day. On this day, participants learned about how to examine the elephant if they are being ill, as well as, practiced some basic treatment skills. Last day, visited the Chiang Mai Zoo to learned about other wild animals.

We are hopefully that all participants might achieve new knowledge more or less which could improve the elephant management in their country. Moreover, this course also expend the elephant co-operations network between country. Hope to see you again next year.

Up coming event: ‘Nation Thai Elephant Day’ – on March 13, 2011 all over Thailand, Let’s enjoy your charismatic elephant memory