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UPCOMING CONFERENCES

National Patient Safety Conference Date- 12-13 October 2009 Venue- Jawaharlal auditorium, AIIMS Delhi Web: www.aiims.edu

5th National Conference of <u>Telemedicine Society</u> Of India Date- 6-8 November 2009 Venue- Hotel Le-Meridian, Pune Email:bsratta@teletelemedicon09.com

Health Conclave 2009

Date -18-19 November 2009 Venue -Indian Habitat Centre Organised by -IIHMR, New Delhi Web: www.healthconclave.co.in

Third International Healthcare Quality Conclave Date -2-3 December 2009 Organised by -Astron Health consultancy Phone. : +91-11- 42148131/32 Email : contact@astronhealthcare.com

National Consultation on HIV Social <u>Research Priorities in India</u> Date- 17-19 December 2009 Venue- TISS, Sion Trombay Road Deonar, Mumbai Email: nhsri@tiss.edu INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HEALTH MANAGEMENT RESEARCH, NEW DELHI

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HOSPITAL AND HEALTH INSIGHT OF THE MONTH

KERALA STATE ADOPTS PALLIATIVE CARE IN PHC

It is the first Government in the world to have integrated palliative care in primary healthcare system. In a study done in Malappuram district of Kerala, it was found that around 40 per cent of those people who are dying would have benefited from applying the principles of Palliative Care (PC) in their management. At present, there are around 100 palliative care units in Kerala. The guidelines stress the role of PHC, as the epi-centre of the actual delivery of PC.

FOREIGN DEGREE WON'T DO TO BE A DOCTOR IN INDIA

Screening test will be mandatory for students who have got foreign MBBS degrees, in order to practice in India. It will also be mandatory for countries with which India has a reciprocity agreement including U.K., Ireland, Bangladesh and Nepal. The worst affected would be Indian students who had made believe for medical college in Nepal after the MCI refused to recognize medical degree from erstwhile USSR countries.

FREE TREATMENT: PRIVATE HOSPITALS UNDER LENS

Delhi government Health department has worked up to the rampant violation of the clause by almost all private hospitals which were given land. The department has decided to not only monitor the utilization of beds in such hospitals but also as instructed by High Court to inform patient in government hospitals about the option. At present few needy patient ever go to these hospitals for fear of running up huge medical bills.

STUDENTS TO GET SMART CARDS

As part of the school health scheme (SHS), the Delhi govt. is planning to introduce a 14-15 crore project of issuing small card to all 12 govt. & MCD aided schools. It would contain a 64 KB chip that would contain information regarding child's medical history, anthropometric measurements, blood groups & allergies etc.

ALMOST HALF OF THE INDIAN CHILDREN SUFFER FROM MALNUTRITION

A report by the Britain-based Institute of Development Studies (IDS), says that at least 46 percent of kids in India aged below are suffering from malnutrition. "It's the contrast between India's fantastic economic growth and its persistent malnutrition which is so shocking," Lawrence Haddad, Director of the IDS told The Times. The report says that India is an economic powerhouse, but is also the place where a third of the world's malnourished children reside.

Events at IIHMR

1) MDP on Lean Healthcare (Date: 23-24 October) *Introducing the very first time in India. For registration kindly visit www.iihmrdelhi.org Email: shikha@iihmrdelhi.org

2) Certificate in Green Belt in Lean Management by Simpler Date- 25 October 2009

3) IIHMR, New Delhi have launched Online Web based Course of Certificate in Project Management (CIPM) – specialization in Healthcare. Web: www.cepm-iihmr.org You are encouraged to REGISTER NOW, undertake the certification for enhancing performance as well as career development

> 4) Certificate course in Health Insurance has started from 26 September.

AWARDS

PAPER PUBLICATION : PGDHHM Student Miss Mahima Sethi got a paper published entitled :"Awareness, Attitude &Utilisation Pattern of Hospital Information System among healthcare staff of tertiary care teaching hospital" in International Journal of Bio Sciences, Healthcare Technology and Management.

POSTER PRESENTATION :Three PGDHHM students Mr Niraj Sharma ,Mr Kapil Sharma & Mr Manoj Joshi has presented Poster on the topic "Epidemiology & Consequences of Alcohol in Sexuality, STI's and Driving " at First International Conference on Alcohol &HIV in India at Mumbai.

PAPER PRESENTATION :

PGDHHM Student Mr Abhinav Singh presented a paper on "Reengineering Human Resource Management in current times." in National Seminar on Human Resource Management at ITS, Ghaziabad, UP

DELHI NOW HAS A DEDICATED WEBSITE FOR HOMEOPATHIC TREATMENT

Making homeopathic treatment more accessible to people, Delhi CM Sheila Dikshit launched a dedicated website for homeopathy that will provide online treatment facility and give advice to people. The website www.homeo.delhigovt.nic.in will have details of all the Delhi government homeopathic dispensaries, general homeopathic medicines and remedies for various diseases.

FDA HALVES GRACE PERIOD FOR ERRING PHARMA FIRMS

Now, failure to respond within fifteen days of an FDA notice could immediately invite an official warning letter which will open doors for harsher actions and affect the companies' chances of getting any new drug approved. India has the highest no. of FDA approved drug plants outside US. US regulators periodically inspect these facilities & warnings are issued to those who are found short on standards.

CENTRE FOR HIGHER EDUCATION FOR DISABLED LAUNCHED IN U.P.

Asia's first centre for higher education for the physically and visually challenged person -the Shakuntala Mishra rehabilitation university became a reality when the institution's academic session was inaugurated by the Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister. Forty-five students have been enrolled in the opening session, the university houses a special education faculty for teaching subjects related with disability, besides other faculties.

MOVE TO INCREASE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN HEALTHCARE

Taking the pulse of India's health, an innovative year long programme has been launched to increase the participation of Indians as stakeholders in the countries' health and wellbeing. This is an initiative of World Care Council, India Business Alliance, The Hindu, Public Health Foundation of India and other partners. The rationale behind this campaign is that wide participation of the population is required to contribute to the vision of future health of Indians.

ANNUAL HEALTH SURVEY UNDER NRHM APPROVED

The union cabinet approved the launching of annual health survey in Empowered Action Group (EAG) states to get feedback on the impact of scheme specially improvement in TFR, IMR at district level and MMR at regional level. Field work will commence during 2009-10, the results would come during 2010-11 done in 284 districts, undertaken by private agencies and supervised by officers of Registrar-General of India. On the basis of results, future planning would be done.

RESEARCH WORK MUST TO GET PROMOTION-MCI

Minimum service period for promotions has been reduced but research paper would be mandatory to get the promotion. Minimum service period required for promotion from assistant professor to associate professor rank has been reduced from 5 years to 4 years but at least 2 research papers would be mandatory. Similarly for promotions from associate professor to professor level, service period comes down from 4 years to 3 years but 4 research papers would be required.

RECENT RESEARCHES

NEW BLOOD TESTS PROMISE SIMPLE CANCER DETECTION

Two new blood tests could help doctors detect colon and stomach cancer simply, cheaply and early without the need for invasive procedures or unpleasant examinations. One test is developed by Belgian Biotech Firm Oncomethylome and another by Scientist in Germany. The Test use Blood samples to detect specific genetic signal of the disease.

DO YOU KNOW??

- 1. NAVJAT SHISHU SURAKSHA KARYAKRAM- A national initiative to reduce Neonatal deaths in the country.
- 2. Hospital offers EMI scheme for cancer care.
- 18 month paid leave for HIV + TN government employees.
- 4. Now, you can get insured against H1N1.
- Cabinet approves proposal to amend organ transplantation act.
- 6. Govt may provide health cover to NREGA workers.
- 7. Railways to give 75% discount on train fares to HIV+.
- 8. 3 firms in race to deliver H1N1 detection kit.
- 9. During ICU stay, a crash course on organ donation.

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THIRTIES ARE THE NEW FIFTIES FOR HEART DISEASE

The typical heart patient until five years back was his mid fifties. Now the man with blockages in heart is most probably in 30-39 age groups, according to Saffolalife study 2009. The study covering 8469 people found that 49.1% Indians were at high risk for developing heart diseases. On the eve of World Heart Day, the multi-city survey found that this bunch's vital heart statistic — the ratio of total cholesterol and the good cholesterol (called HDL) — is too high at 4.5 to be termed healthy. Men from Mumbai and Chennai were worst off (with a high risk ratio of 49.6% and 53.8% respectively) as compared to men in Kolkata and Delhi (32% and 29.7% respectively). The survey attributed the difference in the risk rates for Mumbai's men to longer commuting time, long working hours, unhealthy eating habits, lack of physical activity and erratic eating schedules.

BY 2010, 60% DEMENTIA PATIENTS WILL BE FROM INDIA

The World Alzheimer's report 2009, said there would be 35 million people worldwide with dementia by 2010 and 60% of them would be free from low and middle income countries like India, rising to 70.5% by 2050. Report focused impact of dementia on caregivers. Statistics of report suggested that 40-75% of caregivers had significant psychological illness as a result of their care giving and 15-32% have clinically diagnosable major depression.

IN A FIRST, AN AIDS VACCINE SHOWS SOME SUCCESS

Researchers conducted world's largest AIDS vaccine trial of more than 16,000 volunteers in Thailand and announced that vaccine cut the risk of becoming infected with HIV by more than 31%. Study used the strains of HIV common in Thailand. Whether such a vaccine would work against other strains in world is unknown. That's not good enough for immediate use, researchers say. Yet it is a watershed event in the 26 years since the AIDS virus was discovered. Recent setbacks led many scientists to think a successful vaccine would never be possible.

OBESITY IN WOMAN INCREASES RISK OF CANCER

In one study, nearly 6 crore women in India above 15 were found to be obese. A separate study found obesity to be leading cause of cancer these days. Obesity accounts for 20% of cancer deaths in women. Scientists think that fatty women produce more hormones which help cancer thrive. 20-30% of cancer of colon, breast, uterus and oesophagus are due to being overweight, lacking physical activity.



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TRAINING ON HOSPITAL ADMIINISTRATION AND QUALITY IMPROVEMENT, Organized By NRHM ORISSA in collaboration with NHSRC & IIHMR, New Delhi at Bhubaneswar Held on 7th to 10th September 2009

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