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News from the Campus

A six-day training program on **Public Health Management** for Nurses was organized from July 15-20, 2019. Topics related to Health systems in India - structure and functioning, managing local health system, team building and leadership, reproductive, maternal, newborn, child and adolescent health, national health policy, national program on communicable and non-communicable diseases, optimum use of resources, human resource in health, quality of health care and monitoring and evaluation etc. were discussed and explained to the participants by experts from the industry. An interactive learning approach involving group work was adopted coupled with field visits to RHTC Najafgarh, first primary health centre of India, to provide practical exposure to the participants. Participants provided a positive feedback and appreciated their interaction with the RHTC stakeholders.



A three-day training program on **Soft skills for Healthcare professionals** for medical doctors, nurses, healthcare executives and managers was organized from September 24-26, 2019. Various topics related to skill development of healthcare professionals were discussed and explained to the participants by experts from the industry. An interactive learning approach involving group work was adopted coupled with field visits to National Institute of Health and Family Welfare (NIHFW) to encourage participants to have interaction with the functionaries of Department of communication, national skills lab and NCCVMRC. The training program was well appreciated by the respondents.



STUDENT ACTIVITY UPDATES

Academics with practical knowledge is the weapon of the IIHMR scholars. Our institute equally emphasizes on the practical exposure of the students along with classroom teaching. With this aim, students from all three streams were given opportunity to visit various organizations like Chest Clinic (TB) Department of Lok Nayak Hospital, Bureau of Indian Standards, Venkateshwar Hospital, Dwarka, Artemis Hospital, Gurugram, and Narayana Hospital, Gurugram as part of the field visits to expose to the practical aspects and ground realities of the present healthcare sector. Students had the opportunity to interact with concerned experts of the industry.



Being healthy and fit is not just a trend, it's a lifestyle. With this belief, celebrations of Sports week began on 12th August 2019, to bring students, faculty and staff together to engage in a week full of sport activities. This encourages both students and faculty to eagerly participate and take a step towards healthier tomorrow. Sports week celebrations came to an end with the Dwarka Health Run 2019 organised by IIHMR in partnership with Transcorp International and Dwarka city on August 17, 2019. The central theme of the run was "Health is Wealth - Run for it".



Teachers are the important facet of the society and their role in education and career development of the students can never be understated. Our students celebrated the Teacher's day as a gesture to express their gratitude, love and respect towards the faculty and staff. Various games and fun filled activities were conducted on this occasion encouraging participation from faculty. Eventually, event came to an end with cake cutting by the IIHMR family.



IIHMR family welcomed its 12th batch students through a Fresher's party organised by the second year students. Faculty expressed their hearty welcome to the new students. Various entertaining programs and interactive games were conducted to create a friendly environment. Mr and Miss Fresher, Mr and Miss Talented titles were given to the students.

IIHMR Delhi hosted **AADHAR-2019**, the Annual Foundation Day event on 19th August 2019, celebrating 11 years of excellence in Health Management. The celebration was graced by Dr. Manipal S. Sachdev, CEO and MD, Centre for Sight as the honorable chief guest. Commander Navneet Bali, Director Narayana Health, North Region was the Guest Of Honour and addressed the gathering. Medals were distributed to the winners of the Sports week by the dignitaries on this occasion. The evening witnessed various colourful and energetic cultural performances by the students.





On the occasion of World Patient Safety Day, IIMR in collaboration with IAPG has conducted poster presentations and extempore competitions on 17th September, 2019. Students participated with great enthusiasm and presented their views on the patient safety on different perspectives of family, healthcare providers and care givers. Winners were rewarded with cash prizes and certifications by the dignitaries.



Mr. Vineet Kumar

Research Officer

(Batch: 2016-2018)



What was your career path that led you to your current position?

It was happening eventually, but when I was pursuing PGDHM course, I found myself passionate towards Public Health. Some people motivated me to enhance my knowledge in this field and I was also trying to do my best to learn the new things which could help to understand the public health scenario. Finally, I got placement in National Health Mission, Madhya Pradesh as Data Manager in HMIS unit. I learnt lot of things from NHM and recently grabbed the opportunity to do something in Research Field in IIHMR-Delhi as Research Officer under very renowned faculty Dr. Nitish Dogra. It is not so easy but enjoying the task whether it is desk or field, really interesting job where you can learn Public Health Research.

Could you describe your typical workday?

When I was in NHM, I got a task to do. I had to get data from HMIS portal, since I was also a part of HMIS unit that's why I should have Username and password of the HMIS portal. But seniors did not want me to have the credentials, those people were like that why do an outsider (from other state) and fresher at state level? But after sometime their thinking had changed somewhere and they let me work in my area.

What educational preparation would you recommend for someone who wants to advance in this field?

It does not matter, what was your stream in graduation. It would be great, if you can do a certification/short term and online course related Public Health, Data Quality, MPW, Medical Record handling etc., participate as volunteer in any community event of NGOs.

How do you see this field changing in the near future?

India needs lot of helping hand in health sector, we will see sound opening in this field and we are achieving the set targets. Although, we are not in good condition as community health but efforts in good direction always give better result.

Healthcare in Headlines

- **Fortis, Max, Medanta — Why private Indian hospitals are selling out to foreign players**

According to rating agency ICRA, the total value of mergers and acquisitions in the hospital sector in 2018-19 posted a record rise of 155%.

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Source - The Print. Date- July 1, 2019

- **Can new-age technology transform healthcare?**

In Venture Capital pitch rooms and mass media alike, there is growing buzz around health-tech. In India alone, health-tech startups raised over \$500 million in 2018. Care is getting smarter and better targeted. Artificial Intelligence (AI), Big Data, Blockchain, Machine Learning (ML), Internet of Things (IoT) - healthcare is seen as a massive opportunity for each of these new-age technologies.

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Source- Business Today. Date- July 9, 2019

- **Health Sector to Get Rs. 62,398 Crore, Rs. 6,400 Crore for Ayushman Bharat**

Budget 2019: The budgetary allocation for the sector is Rs. 60,908.22 crore, with Rs. 6,400 crores earmarked for the center's flagship health insurance scheme Ayushman Bharat. Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman Friday announced Rs. 62,659.12 crore outlay for the health sector in the 2019-2020 fiscal, the highest in the last two financial years.

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Source- NDTV News. Date- July 5, 2019

- **India to have 40K primary health care Centers under Ayushman Bharat by 2019-20: Govt**

The Ayushman Bharat Health and Wellness Centers are supported by the government for strengthening primary health centers in states for promotive and preventive health care.

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Source-The Economic Times Health World. Date- July 16, 2019

- **New health era will begin in India with National Digital Health Blueprint**

The main objective of National Digital Health Blueprint (NDHB) is to create a system of Personal Health Records, based on international standards, and easily accessible to the citizens and to the service providers, based on citizen-consent. It also includes promoting Health Data Analytics and Medical Research; enhancing the efficiency and effectiveness of Governance at all levels and ensuring quality of healthcare.

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Source-Pharma Tutor News. Date- July 16, 2019

- **President gave assent to medical commission (NMC) act2019**

Prof. Ranjit Roy Chaudhury committee {2015} recommended structurally reconfiguring the MCI's Functions and suggested the formation of a National Medical Commission.

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Source-Jagranjosh. Date-August 7, 2019

- **There has been a discussion over the gap between the requirements and availability of facilities in the Mental healthcare in India.**

According to a recent National Mental Health Survey, approximately 150 people in India need care for their mental health condition.

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Source-PIB. Date- August 7, 2019

- **ICMR finalized India's first National Essential diagnostic list (NEDL).**

This list aims to bridge the current regulatory system's gap

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Source- The Hindu Times. Date- August 17, 2019

- **Aster Healthcare to invest Rs 1,000 crores in five new hospitals**

The Kochi-based Aster DM Healthcare, one of the few publicly traded hospitals chains in the country, is planning to add over 2,000 beds at an investment of over Rs 1,000 crore in the next two to three years in five new properties outside Kerala.

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Source- The Economic Times | Healthcare Date- August 20, 2019

- **With A Network of Local Pharmacies, MedCords Looks to Digitise Healthcare in Rural India**

Kotaf-based MedCords is a telemedicine startup with a particular focus on rural India. The company differentiates itself in the crowded telemedicine space through its unique approach of partnering with local pharmacies.

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Source- Inc42.com. Date- August 31, 2019

- **World Health Organization, recently included 'vaccine hesitancy' as one of the 10 threats to global health highlighting that overcoming 'vaccine hesitancy' can reduce the global spread of measles infection.**

As per WHO, Vaccine Hesitancy is defined as "reluctance or refusal to vaccinate despite the availability of vaccines" and is influenced by factors such as complacency, convenience and confidence.

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Source- The Hindu. Date-September 18, 2019

- **The Union Cabinet approved the Promulgation of the Prohibition of Electronic Cigarettes (production, manufacture, import, export, transport, sale, distribution, storage and advertisement) Ordinance, 2019.**

This decision has come on the back of an advisory issued by the Government in 2018 to all States to consider banning e-cigarettes. 16 States and 1 UT have already banned e cigarettes in their jurisdictions.

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Source- PSR. Date-September 18, 2019

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