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Into your hands I commit my spirit; redeem me, O Lord, the God of truth. Psalm 31:5

International Snakebite Awareness Day Celebrations



The 2nd International Snakebite Awareness Day was celebrated by the Department of Medicine Unit-I on 19th September, 2019. The department had organised activities for the entire month, which aimed at creating an awareness regarding snakebite prevention and appropriate first aid care amongst communities in and around Vellore. The activities included school visits by a dedicated team of nurses and doctors from the department as well as the “Snakebite Survivors’ Meet” which took place on 14th September, 2019.

The team was able to reach out to more than six hundred school children in Vellore and introduce them to concepts of safety and snakebite prevention. The “Snakebite Survivors’ Meet” was a good platform to strengthen this awareness at the grassroots level by empowering prior victims to be voices of change in their communities as peer educators. Relevant didactic hands-on sessions and focus-group discussions were conducted to enhance the awareness.

The postgraduate registrars conducted practical sessions. This was followed by a session on educational videos in multiple languages on recognizing venomous Indian snake species and puppet shows on effective snakebite prevention in the community, organized and conducted by the Department of Nursing services. There were around five hundred participants who benefitted from these events.

The inaugural programme on 19th September commenced with an opening prayer followed by a welcome address by Dr. Alice Mathuram, Professor and Head, Medicine Unit-I. Nursing staff and doctors who participated in the school visits and survivors’ meet were felicitated by the Nursing Superintendent. The Chief Guest for the occasion was Dr. Vatsala Sadan, Dean, College of Nursing who was introduced and welcomed by Dr. Shirley David, Professor and Head, Medical Surgical Nursing.

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Special Prayers : October 06 -12, 2019

Staff and Students' Health Services :

Dr. Prasad Mathews K. and Staff
Dr. Henry Kirubakaran and Staff
Mrs. Jeyalinda Christopher and Staff

Outpatient Services :

Dr. Prasad Mathews K. and Staff
Dr. Aby Abraham and Staff
Mrs. Jeyalinda Christopher and Staff

Medical Records Department :

Dr. Prasad Mathews K. and Staff
Dr. Vijaykumar Aruldas and Staff

National Council of Churches in India

Council Member : Rev. Asir Ebenezer

North Bank Baptist Christian Association

Council Members : Rev. Chowaram Daimari
Dr. Asolie Chase

Hospital : Baptist Christian Hospital, Tezpur

Sunday Services : October 13, 2019

6.00 pm : **Scudder Auditorium**

OPTSA Thanksgiving Service –
Rev. Dr. Arul Dhas T.

6.30 pm : **Hospital Chapel**

Dr. Rabi Raja Singh

5.00 pm : **Friendship Chapel, KPTR Campus**

Dr. Samuel

4.30 pm : **Chittoor Chapel**

Rev. Vijaykumar

Memoranda :

• **Dr. Joy Sarojini Michael**, Professor is appointed as Vice Principal (AHS) with effect from 1st October, 2019 for a period of four years.

• **Dr. Dincy Peter C.V.**, Professor is appointed as Head of Dermatology, Venereology & Leprosy Unit-II with effect from 4th October 2019 for a four year term.

Welcome :

Dr. Sneha Varkki, Professor, Department of Paediatrics Unit-III, on her return from sabbatical leave.

Obituary:

Mrs. G. Lourdhumary, mother of Mr. A. Antony Raj, Co-ordinator & Campus In-charge, CMC Kaniyambadi Stores on 3rd October, 2019.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time of grief and loss.

The Chief Guest spoke on the need to implement the **WHO Global Strategy on Snakebite Envenoming** and to further expand community education on snakebite prevention and first-aid. Following this, Dr. J.V. Peter, Director, Dr. Prasad Mathews, Medical Superintendent and Dr. Premila Lee, Nursing Superintendent addressed the gathering. The vote of thanks was proposed by Sr. Meenakshi.



It is hoped that this event plays an important role in increasing community awareness towards snakes, snakebite prevention and appropriate first aid care in the days to come.

6th Short Course in Hospital Infection Control organised for Nurses



The Office of the Nursing Superintendent, in collaboration with the Hospital Infection Control Committee, successfully conducted their 6th Short Course for nurses of mission, private and Government hospitals from 16th to 21st September, 2019. The course was designed as an update on knowledge and skills pertaining to Hospital Infection

Control, through lectures, practical sessions, group discussions, skill demonstration, field and microbiology laboratory visits by Medical and Nursing faculty. A total of fifty four delegates registered, representing thirty one different hospitals from fourteen states and one union territory across India.

The inaugural ceremony began with devotion led by the Chaplain Rev. Dr. Arul Dhas. The dignitaries present at the workshop were Deputy Nursing Superintendent Mrs. Balaseetharaman, Deputy Chairman of HICC Dr. Priscilla Rupali, HICC Secretary Dr. Joy Sarojini Michael, Additional Joint Secretary HICC, Mrs. Ilavarasi Jesudoss and HICC Officer, Dr. M. Malathi.

The sessions included various aspects of infection control, accreditation and quality. The participants were encouraged to form Infection Control Committees in their own facilities. There were visits to wards, CSSD, laundry, waste disposal sites, OR and ICUs followed by demonstration in methods of environmental surveillance, detection of antibiotic resistance and testing in the Microbiology laboratory. The course concluded on 21st September with a valedictory ceremony chaired by Dr. Premila Lee, Dr. Joy Sarojini Michael, Mrs. Ilavarasi Jesudoss and Dr. M. Malathi.

New and Expanded Community Eye Clinic dedicated at RUHSA

The Community Eye Clinic was dedicated at RUHSA campus on the 9th August 2019. Comprehensive Eye Care is a pressing need in this area for both acute and chronic conditions and the Outreach unit of the department of Ophthalmology has been instrumental in pursuing a vision of accessible and affordable care for all. Their dedication, RUHSA's commitment and the generosity of the MBBS batch of 1994 celebrating their 25th Reunion resulted in developing the expanded Eye Clinic in RUHSA hospital. The dedication prayer was offered by Rev. Margaret Deborah, Senior Chaplain, Dr. Abraham Peedicayil, Chairperson, Alumni Association opened the Community Eye Clinic and Mr. David Chandran, General Superintendent unveiled the dedication plaque. The presence of the Alumni batch 1994





along with their families added much flavour to this celebration. It was a proud moment for all involved in getting the clinic ready in record time for the 1994 MBBS batch to dedicate their 25th reunion project during the reunion. RUHSA is proud to be the vehicle for presenting the message of hope to the marginalized and vulnerable people in Vellore District and thankful to all who made this possible.

Dedication of the M.Ch. Hand Surgery Programme

Professor G.A. Anderson, former Head of Dr. Paul Brand Centre for Hand Surgery unveiled a plaque to commemorate the inauguration of the M.Ch. in Hand Surgery programme (1st in India) in presence of Dr. J.V. Peter, Director. Rev. Arul Dhas, Head of Chaplaincy, Dr. Binu P. Thomas, Professor and Head, Department of Hand Surgery along with staff and students on 18th September, 2019. The Department of Hand Surgery is also happy to announce that American Society for Surgery of the Hand (ASSH) had published an article on Professor G.A. Anderson in their website. The link for the above is given below: (<http://asshperspectives.org/2019/09/professor-george-a-anderson/>)



Notices

- The notice which was published in the last week's 30.9.2019 CMC Newslines - "Expression of Interests for Empanelment for Manpower Agencies" is withdrawn.
- The 56th Early Management of Trauma Course (EMTC) for Doctors & Nurses, will be held on 14th, 15th and 16th November, 2019. As there has been a great demand for the same, seats are restricted to 35 on a first-come-first-serve basis. Registration fee is Rs.6000/-. For further details contact : Mr. Senthil Kumar, Secretary, Department of Emergency Medicine - Phone No.2225.

Note: Registration will not be entertained after 25th October, 2019.

Retirement



Mrs. V. Vijaya, Sr. Hospital Attendant, Department of Radiation Therapy retired on 1st October 2019, after 38 years of dedicated service to the institution. Her husband, Mr. Panchatcharam retired as Sr. Hospital Attendant from M.S. OPD in the year 2018, They have a son and a daughter. Their son, Mr. Yesudoss Sudhakar is a Lecturer in Clinical Bio-Chemistry and daughter, Dr. Beulah Subashini is working as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Microbiology.

The CMC community is thankful for her years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes God's blessings on her retired life.

Situations Vacant

1(a) Senior Resident Gr.III with MD (DVL) for the Department of Dermatology Unit - II

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

1(b) Registrar (Non PG) with MBBS for the Department of Dermatology Unit - II

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

2. Senior Resident with MS (OG) for the Department of Community Health

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Subject to availability).

3(a) Tutor (P & O) Grade IV for the Department of PMR (Prosthetics & Orthotics)

Qualification : Bachelor in Prosthetics & Orthotics (BPO).

Experience : Should have 5 years of experience in the field of Prosthetics & Orthotics services from Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI) recognized institution.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

3(b) Lecturer Gr.III (AHS) for the Department of PMR (Prosthetics & Orthotics)

Qualification : Master in Prosthetics & Orthotics (MPO).

Experience : Should have 5 years of experience in the field of P & O services from RCI recognized institution with 3 publications. Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

4. Psychologist Gr.V for the Department of Forensic Medicine

Qualifications : M.Sc. in Psychology with experience of working with children and survivors of violence (physical and sexual abuse, human trafficking, domestic violence, etc.). Additional experience of working with Government officials such as the District Child Protection Officer, Child Welfare Committee and the police is desirable. The applicant should be able to read, write and speak fluently in English and should also be well versed in Tamil (able to speak and understand; reading and writing preferable).

Salary scale : As per the institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". **Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.**

Applications will close on **October 19, 2019** for Items 1(a), 1(b), 2, 3(a), 3(b) and 4.

5. Centre for Stem Cell Research (a unit of inStem, Bengaluru) & Christian Medical College, Vellore
in collaboration with National Health Mission, Odisha invite applications on purely temporary basis for the following post to work under the project titled 'Control of Sickle Cell Disease and Thalassemia in Odisha'.**District Coordinators for the Centre for Stem Cell Research****Job Code : 1304**

Essential Qualification : MSW with experience in counseling and communication.

Desirable Qualification / Experience : Experience in public health.

Age : Not more than 35 years.

Remuneration up to : Rs.24,500/- per month.

Duty Station : Balasore, Cuttack, Koraput, Sambalpur, Baragarh, Jharsuguda, Bolangir, Angul, Khordha & Puri (Mention at least 3 preferred district in the application) (List of districts are subject to change).

For application form and other details, visit <http://www.cscr.in/research-opportunities/>

Please send us the duly filled application mentioning the job code either by soft copy to: cscredu@cmcvellore.ac.in or by hard copy to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam Vellore - 632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **October 21, 2019** for Item 5.

6. Senior Resident / Assistant Professor / Assistant Physician with MD or DNB in the following specialities for the CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus in Pain and Palliative Care

- Anaesthesia
- Geriatric Medicine
- Community Health
- Palliative Care diploma candidates are welcome to apply.
- Family Medicine
- PMR
- Radiotherapy and

Candidates can play a dual role in the Operation Theatre and HDU as well if they belong to an Anaesthesia background. Salary : As per institutional rules.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link : "Vacancies" or email to dir.chittoor@cmcvellore.ac.in with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies with contact phone number, e-mail ID and address.

Applications will close on **October 21, 2019** for Item 6.