

CHRISTIAN MEDICAL COLLEGE Vellore Tamilnadu India Department of Infectious Diseases in collaboration with Department of Distance Education



FELLOWSHIP IN GENERAL INFECTIOUS DISEASES

About the course:

Infectious Diseases as a specialty has gained a lot of importance in the field of internal medicine. Knowledge in microbiology has progressed enormously and many sophisticated and expensive diagnostic techniques are widely available. New treatment options are introduced while numerous microbial species demonstrate increasing resistance to antimicrobial agents. In the primary and secondary level care, medical community faces many challenges with regard to treatment of infections. This course aims to increase the knowledge and confidence of the physicians working at secondary care level for appropriate diagnosis and management of common infections.

Course content:

This is a one year distance learning course. The course content has 11 selflearning online modules which will be presented in simple and interesting selflearning format. There will be selfassessments to encourage the readers. Assignments will be posted after each module that needs to be sent back to CMC within a prescribed time limit. There will be three contact classes at CMC, Vellore where the participants will have the hands on learning in clinical and laboratory setting. The candidate needs to complete a project during the course period that will benefit his/her hospital during the service.

Eligibility:

- 1. Physicians employed for more than 2 years in secondary care level hospitals and are committed to working there.
- 2. Any health care professional who is capable enough or has been trained / seconded by physicians to handle and manage cases at secondary care level.
- 3. Presence of a laboratory is recommended, however optional and the candidate is expected to develop it in the due course of time. Laboratory should have the following:
 - a. Quality assurance scheme with a national body
 - b. Trained technician: DMLT/ BSc MLT/ MSc Microbiology or Life Sciences
 - c. Basic facilities to diagnose infections causing acute febrile illnesses.

Selection: No Entrance Exam; Candidates will be selected by interview

No of seats: 20 seats per year

Fees: There is no course fee; Institutions / participants will have to meet the cost of travel to Vellore and the cost of boarding and lodging in CMC during contact courses.

Contact :

Dr. Priscilla Rupali MD DTM&H FRCP Department of Infectious Diseases SP Complex 4th floor, Ida scudder road, Christian Medical College Vellore-632004, Phone No:0416-2282804,3617 Email : <u>fgidcmcvellore@gmail.com</u> Applications will be available online from 1st March 2018 Log on to http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/

Supported by;

Global Infectious Disease Research Training Grant From National Institutes of Health (NIH D43 TW0007392)