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*For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened.*

*Luke 11:10*



## Report on the 4<sup>th</sup> Certificate Course in Hospital Infection Control and Antimicrobial Stewardship



Organised by the Hospital Infection Control Committee of CMC, the 4<sup>th</sup> Certificate course on Hospital Infection Control and Antimicrobial Stewardship took place from 29<sup>th</sup> July to 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2019. The aim of this course was to train microbiologists, clinicians and administrators, involved in infection control programmes in their respective institutions.

The Tamil Nadu MGR University awarded 30 credit points for this course. There were twenty nine candidates from Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, Kerala, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Assam, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh, Chattisgarh, Rajasthan and United Arab Emirates. The inaugural function started with an invocation from the Infection Control Nurses which was followed by a prayer by Ms. Saramma Kuruvilla, Chaplain. The welcome address was given by Dr. Priscilla Rupali, Deputy Chairman of HICC, Dr. Prasad Mathews, Medical Superintendent and Chairman HICC, Dr. Anna Pulimood, Principal and Dr. Premila Lee, Nursing Superintendent gave their felicitations.

Dr. Joy S. Michael, the organising Chairperson of the course and the secretary of the HICC compeered the ceremony and gave the overview of the course. The inauguration programme ended with a vote of thanks by Dr. Malathi M, HICC officer and organising secretary of the course.

The participants were provided insight into the tools and resources required for combating Healthcare Associated Infections (HAIs). The five day workshop had various sessions which dealt with specific aspects of hospital infection control such as patient safety, health care associated infections, environment and healthcare worker safety. The sessions also covered antimicrobial resistance and antimicrobial stewardship, infection control in specialised area and hands on practical training on hand hygiene.

Group discussions were led by the external faculty, Dr. Vijay Samuel Richard and Dr. Malini R. Capoor.

*Special Prayers: August 25 - 31, 2019*

*Ophthalmology:* Dr. Sanita Mary George Korah and Staff  
Dr. Sheeja Susan John and Staff  
Dr. Padma Paul and Staff  
Dr. Shirley David and Staff

*Low Cost Effective Care Unit :*

Dr. Sunil Abraham and Staff  
Dr. Shirley David and Staff

*Department of Family Medicine:*

Dr. Sunil Abraham and Staff  
Dr. Shirley David and Staff

*Shalom Family Medicine Centre:*

Dr. Sunil Abraham and Staff  
Dr. Shirley David and Staff

*Van Allen Hospital, Kodaikanal*

*International Service Fellowship (Interserve)*

Council Members: Mr. Eappen John  
Mr. Vijay Alexander

*Christoffel Blinden Mission*

Council Member : Dr. Sara Varughese

*Sunday Services : September 01, 2019*

6.00 pm : **Scudder Auditorium**

Ms. Saramma Kuruvilla

6.30 pm : **Hospital Chapel**

Mr. Lipoktemshi

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

Rev. Margaret Deborah

4.30 pm : **Chittoor Chapel**

Rev. Vijay Kumar



The discussions were very interactive and informative, which provided clarity and guidelines on setting up an infection control programme and biomedical waste management.

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Case studies and group discussion regarding investigating and managing outbreaks were undertaken by Dr. Joy S. Michael. Various surveillance methods and antimicrobial susceptibility techniques including molecular methods were explained and demonstrated in the Department of Clinical Microbiology. Site visits to the central sterile supply department, laundry and intensive care units were also organized. An interactive session on blood borne viruses was taken by Dr. Priya Abraham, Addl. Secretary, HICC.

The workshop concluded with felicitation of the candidates and certificate distribution by Dr. Prasad Mathews and Dr. Balaji V. The report of the workshop was read by Dr. Dhanalakshmi and vote of thanks was given by Dr. Priscilla Rupali.

## State Level Workshop in 'Childhood Diabetes: Comprehensive Nursing Management'

The Departments of Paediatric Nursing and CNE and Research, College of Nursing conducted a state level workshop on '**Childhood Diabetes: Comprehensive Nursing Management**' on the July 26, 2019, with a focus on nursing management of children with Diabetes Mellitus. A total of fifty two delegates from seven different institutions attended the workshop. The sessions included an overview of childhood Diabetes, nutrition for the child with Diabetes, prevention and management of complications, patient education aspects with hands on skill sessions on Insulin therapy, glucose monitoring, management of hypoglycemia and sick day management.



## CME on Paediatric Dermatology organised



The Department of Dermatology, Venerology and Leprosy Unit - I conducted a CME on Paediatric Dermatology on 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 with a special focus on genodermatoses. Paediatric Dermatology, a relatively new subspecialty is designed to improve the approach and management of the ever growing cutaneous disorders in children which need multispecialty intervention. The CME attracted two hundred and sixty delegates representing more than forty five

medical colleges from various parts of the country including all states of south India, Maharashtra, Uttarakhand and even from the neighbouring country of Nepal. The CME was live telecasted to ten mission hospitals and fifteen alumni. It was accredited with twenty CME points by the Tamil Nadu Dr.M.G.R. Medical University, Chennai.

The speakers included, eminent faculty from CMC, PGIMER Chandigarh and St John's hospital, Bangalore along with international faculty Professor Celia Moss OBE, Consultant Dermatologist, Birmingham Children's Hospital and Dr. Ravi Gutta, an American Board certified Consultant in Allergy and Immunology with fellowship from Cleveland clinic USA; currently working in Mediclinic City Hospital, Dubai, UAE. They led discussions on allergy & urticaria, molecular genetics, genodermatoses, cytogenetics, phototherapy, auto-inflammatory syndromes, contact dermatitis, principles of topical therapy, trichoscopy, neonatal emergencies, panniculitis and so on. Both the dermatologists and paediatricians perspective was presented during the sessions. The e-Poster competition and annual paediatric dermatology quiz attracted postgraduates from over thirty colleges.

Since the focus of the CME was on genodermatoses, there was a special workshop conducted with almost forty patients representing a wide range of rare conditions. There was also a session for patients affected by epidermolysis bullosa (EB) with participation from consultants from various specialities such as paediatric ENT, PMR, paediatric dentistry, nursing team, child health, dietary and the Dermatology team. The participants and the families were highly benefited from this session.

## 73<sup>rd</sup> Independence Day Celebrations



The 73<sup>rd</sup> Independence Day celebrations were observed in a grand manner at the various campuses of CMC. In the College Campus the flag was hoisted by Dr. Rabin Chacko, Professor of Dental Surgery and the speaker for the occasion was Dr. Samuel C. Raj, Professor of Hand Surgery.



At the Hospital Campus, Dr. Sukria Nayak, Associate Director and Head, Department of Surgery hoisted the flag and gave the message. The celebration were organized at the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus, where Dr. Deepak Abraham, Associate Director (HR) spoke eloquently and hoisted the flag. The programme was followed by a community breakfast and a tree planting campaign.

## Obituaries



• **Dr. (Major) Vinod Kumar Shetty** (MBBS batch of 1958-59) on August 18, 2019. Dr. Vinod Kumar Shetty was a stalwart in many ways. He was the first in his family to take up Medicine and the first student from Mangalore to join CMC Vellore. After graduating from Vellore, he joined the Army and did MS - General Surgery and MS - Orthopaedics from AFMC, Pune. He was a gold medalist in both. He was the first army doctor to do 108 parachute jumps. He gave 16 years of dedicated service to the Indian Army.

After retirement from the Army he worked in Bangalore initially at St. Martha's Hospital and subsequently in other hospitals. He had many additional roles such as Chief Medical officer of Brooke Bond India and a Professor of Anatomy at MVJ Medical College. He was one of the founding members of Anga Karunya Kendra (an artificial limb centre providing free Jaipur foot to amputees) and Karunashreya (a hospice for poor patients who were terminally ill) He did a lot of charity work by providing free treatment for patients. But most importantly he was a patient, gentle and caring human being. A loving husband, father and grandfather and a giant among men at 6 foot 3 inches! The Uttarakriya ceremony to be held at 12.30 pm on Saturday, 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019 at Sena Vihar Hall, Kammanahalli Main Road, Kalyan Nagar, Bangalore - 560 043. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife, Mrs. Shobha, sons Dr. Shilpith and Mr. Sahith, and all the members of the family. For those who would like to get in touch with the family, the contact details of his son Dr. Shilpith Shetty are given below: Email: [shettys@doctors.org.uk](mailto:shettys@doctors.org.uk) Mobile: 9341930945.

• **Pastor. Chelladurai Muthupandian**, Founder of Arputhar Yesu Ministry, husband of Mrs. Malathi Chelladurai, former Charge Nurse in SICU, father of Dr. Deena Susie, 1<sup>st</sup> year PG in Physiology, Mr. Steve Dhinakaran and Ms. Divina, on 19<sup>th</sup> August, 2019.

• **Mr. Yeswantha Rao**, Hospital Attendant Gr.III, PMO (R.P) passed away on 18<sup>th</sup> August, 2019. He joined CMC in August 1990. He has a son and two daughters. His son, Mr. Karthick is working as Operation Theatre Technician in Apollo Hospital, Chennai, his eldest daughter, Ms. Ramya is studying B.Sc. Nursing course in A.E.C.S. Maruti Nursing College, Bangalore and younger daughter, Ms. Geetha has completed Radiology Technician course in Apollo Hospital, Chennai. He has served CMC for 29 years.



Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the families at this time of sorrow and loss.

## Retirement



**Mrs. Baggialakshmi Ramesh**, Sr. Grade Nursing Auxilliary, retired on 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2019 after serving the institution for 40 years. She joined CMC as an Auxilliary Nursing student in 1976. After her training she worked in M ward, C ward, R ward, H ward, K ward and M2 ward. She is a hard working staff who maintained good clinical skills and accountability at work. She was bestowed with the 'Best Nursing Auxilliary' award in 2006 for her exemplary work. She is married to Mr. Ramesh. She is blessed with one daughter Mrs. Vaidegi who lives in Trichy with her husband Mr. Venkatesan and assists in his business. She is also blessed with one grandson.

CMC and the Nursing Service thank Mrs. Baggialakshmi Ramesh for her long service in this institution and wish her God's blessings on her retired life.

## Situations Vacant

**1(a) Assistant Professor with M.Ch. (Endocrine Surgery)** for the **Department of Endocrine Surgery**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**1(b) Senior Resident Gr.III with M.S. (General Surgery)** for the **Department of Endocrine Surgery**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**2. Associate Research Officer Gr.IV with MPH (Master of Public Health) (Regular Course)** for the **Clinical Genetics Unit.**

Preference will be given for those who have experience in research.

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

**3. Assistant Professor with M.D. (Physiology)** for the **Department of Physiology**

Experience : Should have at least three years teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any MCI recognized teaching institution.

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

**4. Senior Resident with MD (General Medicine / Pulmonary Medicine / Anaesthesia)** for the **Division of Critical Care Medicine**

(**Medical ICU / HDU**). Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**5. Senior Resident with M.S. (General Surgery)** for the **Department of General Surgery Unit - I**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**6. Senior Resident with M.S. (General Surgery)** for the **Department of General Surgery Unit - IV**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**7. Assistant Professor with DM (Critical Care Medicine) / IDCCM / IFCCM / EDIC with two years Fellowship in Critical Care (or) MD (Anaesthesia / General Medicine) with two years fellowship in Critical Care Medicine** for the **Division of Critical Care Medicine (Surgical ICU / SHDU / AICU)**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**8. Registrar (Non PG) / Senior Resident with MBBS / M.D. (General Medicine)** for the **Department of Cardiology Unit - IV.**

Working Hours : 08.00 A.M. to 04.30 P.M. Monday to Friday.

Academics : Saturday From 08.00 A.M. to 10.00 A.M. Job Description : Outpatient Care on Tuesday and Thursday.

Inpatient Care : Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Light Work Hours and Good Work Atmosphere.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**9(a) Senior Resident with MD (Pathology)** for the **Department of General Pathology**

Age limit : <40 years. Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Subject to availability).

**Initial appointment will be as Senior Resident for one year and can be upgraded to Assistant Professor in the 2<sup>nd</sup> yr (as per the latest MCI guidelines).**

**9(b) Assistant Professor with MD (Pathology)** for the **Department of General Pathology**

Experience : Should have at least one year teaching exp as (Asst. Professor) in any MCI recognized teaching institution.

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

Apply with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies with contact phone number, e-mail ID and address to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore - 632 002 or by e-mail: [princi@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi@cmcvellore.ac.in) on or before **August 31, 2019** for items 1(a), 1(b), 2, 3, 4 and **September 07, 2019** for items 5, 6, 7, 8 and **September 09, 2019** for items 9(a) and 9(b).

**10. Assistant Surgeon / Associate Surgeon / Surgeon with MDS in Dental & Oral Surgery** for the **CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus**

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Please log on the <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies" or email to [dir.chittoor@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto: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 **September 09, 2019** for item 10.

**11. Computer Terminal Operator (Project Mode)** for the **Department of Haematology**

Qualification : Any Degree with one year Computer training / English typewriting lower.

Age limit : 30 years and below. Salary : As per institutional rules.

**12. Administrative Assistant Gr.V** for the **Department of Materials**

Qualification : Graduate + 1 year PGDHA. Salary : As per institutional rules. Age limit : 35 years and below.

Preference will be given to candidates with suitable experience in Materials Management.

Job description : Responsible for receiving goods and documentation, co-ordinating with department, issuing materials and managing the stock, ordering and follow-up of material.

**13. Accountant Cum Cashier Gr.III** for the **Centre for Stem Cell Research**

Qualification : B.Com + 1 year computer training. Salary : As per institutional rules. Age limit : 35 years and below.

Preference will be given to candidates with experience in MS Office and Accounts package.

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 **August 31, 2019** for Items 11, 12 and 13.

**14.** Applications are invited for the post of **Teacher in Balavihar Kids Corner.** Qualification: Montessori / TTC / Degree.

Preference will be given to the candidates who have experience. Fluency in English is a must.

Interested candidates may apply to Balavihar Kids Corner, CMC Hospital Campus, Vellore. Phone : 0416-2283499.

email : [balavihar@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:balavihar@cmcvellore.ac.in) On or before **September 06, 2019** for item 14.