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Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; let your glory be over all the earth . Psalm 57:5

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Mrs. Rebecca Sumathy Bai retired on 10th April 2024 after dedicating 32 years of service to the institution. She was a Professor and former Head of the Neuro Nursing (Speciality VII) Department. Mrs. Rebecca completed her B.Sc Nursing in 1983 and M.Sc in 1996 from the College of Nursing, CMC Vellore. She started her professional career as a Staff Nurse in the P3 ward and later served at Scudder Memorial Hospital, Ranipet. In 1992, she re-joined CMC and worked as the Charge Nurse of N1 ward (Main campus). She continued as Nurse Manager and finally retired as the Head of Neuro Nursing Unit at CMC Vellore. She took her sabbatical to King Khalid University, Saudi Arabia as a Nurse Educator in Medical-Surgical Nursing, in charge of the wards and the University awarded her with a ‘Best Educator Award’ for her contribution.

Mrs. Rebecca is an experienced and devoted bedside nurse with exceptional assessment and clinical skills. She has been associated with the Neuro department for a long time and is highly respected by the medical fraternity of the Neurological Sciences department because of her honest and reasonable approach to all matters. Following her Senior Training Fellowship at North Shore Jewish Hospital in Manhasset, New York, she played a key role in developing the nursing wing of the Stroke unit, training Stroke Nurses, and contributing to the Stroke education booklets for patients. Additionally, she has been actively involved in training staff nurses from Chittoor and Mission hospitals in the care of patients with Stroke.

Mrs. Rebecca Sumathy Bai Retires

Mrs. Rebecca is an AHA-certified BLS provider and trainer and has helped train and certify numerous batches of Nurses as BLS providers. Her teaching and skill demonstration was not limited to CMC alone but extended to nurses at Chittoor, Karigiri, Tharapuram, and Thirunelveli and school students and teachers at Kodaikanal International School.

Mrs. Rebecca has been an executive member of the Society of Indian Neuroscience Nurses (SINN) since 1998. She has served as president and vice president for a term respectively and has also been the programme coordinator since 2019. In December 2023, during the 43rd National Annual Conference of SINN, she was conferred with the prestigious Dr. Arjun Dev Seghal oration award, honouring her lifetime contribution to neuro nursing.

Mrs. Rebecca is an exceptional teacher who puts in a lot of effort to help her students get a better understanding of their subjects. She uses animal models of the brain and spinal cord to keep her students attentive and enthusiastic, which is a testament to her commitment to teaching. She is a considerate teacher who understands the needs of her students and actively contributes to the various academic and student welfare activities in the College of Nursing. Her warm and affectionate smile makes her approachable, and her students confide in her with ease. She is an athlete, a trained classical dancer, and an active member of the chapel and church choir.

Her daughter Dr. Deborah Daphne has completed her Ph. D and is currently working at Johns Hopkins University, USA and her Son Mr. Jason Justus has a double master's degree in Biotechnology and is working in Bangalore. The CMC family is thankful to Mrs. Rebecca Sumathi for her committed service to the institution and wishes her a happy and blessed retirement life.

62nd National Pharmacy Week – 2024

The Department of Pharmacy recently held the 62nd National Pharmacy Week celebrations from 26th February 2024 to 2nd March 2024. The theme for the event was 'Join Pharmacists to Ensure Patient Safety'. The celebrations included various competitions such as poster designing, quizzes, essay writing and slogan writing, which were open to healthcare professionals and the public. Over 400 participants took part in these events, and the occasion was marked by more than 15 staff members donating their blood. As part of the celebrations, exhibitions, highlighting the importance of safe and proper use of medications were held in the three campuses; (CMC Vellore Town Campus, CMC Vellore Ranipet Campus and CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus). Patient counselling, puppet shows, educative programmes on diabetics, asthma, nutrient and healthy diet and proper use of antiretroviral drugs and anti-tuberculosis drugs were part of the exhibition.

CMC Vellore Town Campus: 28th February 2024

The Chief Guest was Mr. Nandakumar, Assistant Director, Drugs Control Office, Vellore zone. Drugs inspectors Mrs. Magalakshmi, Mrs. Saranya, Mrs. Hemalatha, Ms. Kokila and Mr. Vimal graced the occasion. Other dignitaries present were Dr. Selvamani. B, Associate Director (Finance), Mrs. Sophia Vijay, Deputy Nursing Superintendent, Mr. Reni Charles, General Superintendent, Mrs. Angelin, Addl. deputy dean and Dr. Anila Chacko, Academic officer. Dr. Ronald Carey, Head of the Department of Pharmacy welcomed the gathering. The programme concluded with a closing prayer and benediction by Rev. Joseph Devaraj, Chaplain and a vote of thanks proposed by Mr. Joseph Augustus, Department deputy secretary.





CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus: 29th February 2024

The Chief Guest for the inauguration at the Ranipet Campus was Dr. Viji Samuel, Professor and Head of Cardiology. The welcome address was delivered by Dr. Ronald Carey, Professor and Head of Pharmacy. The other dignitaries present were Dr. Ravish Sanghi, Associate Medical Superintendent, Dr. Reuben, Deputy Medical Superintendent, and Mr. Joseph Selvaraj, Deputy General Superintendent. The programme concluded with a closing prayer and benediction by Rev. Ebenezer, Chaplain and a vote of thanks by Mr. Joseph Augustus, Department Deputy Secretary.



CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus: 15th March 2024

The Chief Guest for the inauguration was Dr. Kenny S David, Associate Director (Chittoor), and Dr. Ronald Carey, Professor & Head of Pharmacy welcomed the gathering. The other dignitaries present were Mrs. Nirmala Immanuel, Principal, of the College of Nursing, Chittoor Campus, Mrs. Nirmala Samuel, Deputy General Superintendent, and Ms. Grace Angelin, Nurse Manager, of the Emergency Department. The programme concluded with a closing prayer and benediction by Rev. Giftus Joshua, Chaplain and Mr. Joseph Augustus, who proposed the vote of thanks.



The pharmacy week celebrations came to an end on 2nd March 2024. The valedictory function began with a prayer by Rev. Joseph Devaraj, chaplain and welcome by Dr. Ronald Carey. Dr. Abi Manesh, Deputy Medical Superintendent (Ag) delivered the Chief Guest's address and distributed the prizes. to winners. Mr. Joseph Augustus, Department Deputy Secretary proposed the vote of thanks



Workshop Organised on Guidance for Career Choice

A workshop on “Guidance for Career Choice” was organised by the Personnel Department, for the staff children studying from 9th till 12th grade, on 05th April 2024 at the Paul Brand building, Jacob Chandy Hall. A total of two hundred students attended the workshop. The workshop was conducted to instill a sense of clarity and confidence in students to face the upcoming board exams.

They were taken through a time of introspection, to analyse their strengths and weaknesses, to confidently face life’s challenges, to seek God’s purpose and to focus on their studies. There were sessions on choosing the right career and interview skills. The resource faculty were. Col. Dr. Paul Prathap, Hr. Consultant, Chennai. Dr. Ezhil Christudoss, Former Principal Voorhees College. Ms. Merlin Thanka Jemi Clinical Psychologist & Lecturer, MHC. Mr. Lenny Vasanthan. T, Assoc. Professor (NM – MPT), Department of Physiotherapy. Mr. Sundram, Rtd. Dpt. Tahsildar and Mr. Naveena Krishnan. S, Physical Director, College of Nursing. Dr. Vikram Mathews, Director and Mr. C. Reni Charles, General Superintendent offered their facilitations and encouraged the students



NEET Crash Course organised for the Staff Children

The Personnel Department organised for the first time, a crash course on NEET for the staff children from 5th April 2024 to 30th April 2024. The sessions were from 4:30 pm to 08:40 pm on all weekdays in Zoology, Botany, Physics and Chemistry handled by. Mr. Rajaganapathy, Pharmacist, CMC, Mr. S. Suresh, Ida Scudder School and Dr. Saranya of Spark School.



Faculty Development Programme (FDP) Organised by the Distance Education Unit

The Distance Education Unit, is moving to the next phase of growth with a new need based, blended learning courses aimed at upskilling healthcare professionals, for the various primary care needs of India, including the government sector through the NHM and other developing countries. A three-day Faculty Development Programme (FDP) was organised by the unit, from March 21st to March 23rd, 2024, at the New Exam Hall, CMC Bagayam Campus to orient faculty of various blended learning courses.

The event saw an impressive turnout, with 53 alumni co-facilitators from across the country and 8 faculty participants from Bioethics, Lifestyle Medicine, Nursing and Dental. Each day commenced with a "Thought for the day," fostering personal reflection among the participants. Sessions were dynamic, incorporating activities, group discussions, and role-playing exercises based on case scenarios to ensure active participation and comprehensive understanding of the topics covered. A significant highlight of the second day was the launch of the alumni website followed by an informal dinner that facilitated networking opportunities among attendees. The program proved to be a valuable learning experience for all participants, offering both online and onsite learning opportunities. Overall, the Faculty Development Programme served as a platform for growth, collaboration, and empowerment, leaving a lasting impact on all those involved, and strengthening the pool of faculty for the blended learning courses run by the Distance Education unit.





Special Prayers This Week

April 14 - 20, 2024

Purchase : Mr. Daniel Devakumar and Staff
Stores : Mr. Samuel Caleb Arun Kumar and Staff
Central Receiving Section (CRS) : Mr. Prabuson Paulwin and Staff
Central Sterile Supply Department (CSSD) : Ms. Florence Ponnie R.

CSI Madras Diocese

Council Members : Rt. Rev. Dr. K. Reuben Mark
Dr. J. Jerene Jayanth

CSI Kalyani Multi Speciality Hospital, Chennai

CSI Rainy Multi Speciality Hospital

CSI Hospital, Ikkadu and others.



Welcome

Mrs. Gnanasoundari, Sr. Gr. Tutor (Nursing), Community Nursing, on her return from sabbatical leave.

Memoranda

- **Dr. Arun Jacob Philip George**, Professor, is appointed as Deputy Director (Faculty Mentoring) with effect from 8th April 2024 for a four year term.
- **Dr. Roshna Rose Paul**, Professor, is appointed as Deputy Director (HR) with effect from 8th April 2024 for a four year term.

Laurels & Recognitions

Dr. Pamela Gitanjali Joseph, final year MD physiology post-graduate, won the first prize in the E-poster presentation at the Vita Electio - lifestyle modifications national conference held from 4th to 6th April 2024 at Velammal Medical College and Research Institute, Madurai.

Obituaries

• **Mrs. Raj Kishori Singh**, mother of Dr.Santosh Kumar, Professor and Head of Urology Unit II and mother-in-law of Dr. Ekta Rai, Professor and Head of Anaesthesia passed away on 31st March,2024. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mrs. Dhanalakshmi T.**, mother of Mr. Sambasivam T, Sr. Sel. Gr. Med. Lab. Technician I, Department of Pathology, CMC Vellore, passed away on 7th April, 2024. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mrs. Janet Kalaiselvan**, Multipurpose Health worker (C601 - Ranipet Campus), passed away on 8th April, 2024. Let us uphold her husband Mr. Kalaiselvan and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

Situations Vacant

Vacancies under the office of Dean College of Nursing-for queries contact the mentioned office

1. Applications are invited for the following posts at the **College of Nursing, Christian Medical College Vellore, Chittoor Campus**

(a) **Demonstrator (NM)**

Qualification : M.A. / M.Sc. (Sociology 2 years course) with minimum of 1 year teaching experience.

(b) **Demonstrator (NM)**

Qualification : M.A. / M.Sc. (Psychology 2 years course) with minimum of 1 year teaching experience.

Accommodation and Salary : As per institutional policy.

Applications should be submitted online through the link

<https://www.cmch-vellore.edu/News.aspx> (under: "vacancies") on or before **27th April, 2024**. for **Items 1(a) and 1(b)**.

Only Online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted.

Vacancies under the office of Medical Superintendent-for queries contact the mentioned office

2. **Graduate Technician Trainee for the Department of Urology (CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus)**

Qualification : Graduate with Science subject. Preference will be given for graduate in Hospital related course and direct prior experience with patients.

Age Limit : Below 30 years.

Consolidated Pay : Rs.8, 800/-.

Note : *Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.*

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 **29th April, 2024** for **Item 2**.

Vacancies under the office of General Superintendent-for queries contact the mentioned office

3. Management Assistant (Term) for the General Superintendent Office and Materials Department

Qualifications : Any Graduate / B.E. / B.Tech. / MBBS with MBA (Finance, HR, HA, MM & others) or MHA or M.Phil (HHSM) or PG DM / PGDBA / PGDPM / PGDPM & IR. (Only regular mode - completion of Masters related to Administration is mandatory).

Age Limit : 30 years and below. **Consolidated Salary :** As per institutional norms.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/> Link : "Vacancies".

Icon : "Management Assistant (Term)"

Note : Final year students need not apply.

"Preference will be given to those candidates who have prior work experience in a Tertiary Care Hospital.

Online applications through CMC website will be considered. Applications through any other means will not be entertained. Apply on or before **29th April, 2024** for **Item 3**.

4. Jr. Administrative Assistant (Term) for the General Superintendent Office

Qualifications : Any Graduate + 1 year PGDHA or 3 years experience in CMC / FHA* (Only regular mode).

Age Limit : 30 years and below. **Consolidated Salary :** As per institutional norms.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/> Link : "Vacancies".

Icon : Jr. Administrative Assistant (Term)

Note : Final year students need not apply.

*Preference will be given to those candidates who have prior work experience in a Tertiary Care Hospital.

Online applications through CMC website will be considered. Applications through any other means will not be entertained. Apply on or before **29th April, 2024 for Item 4**.

Others

5. Applications are invited from female teachers for Balavihar Kids Corner

Qualification: Montessori / TTC / Any Degree with B.Ed.

Preference will be given to candidates who are fluent in English, have teaching experience and are below 35 years of age.

Interested candidates may apply to:

Balavihar Kids Corner, CMC Hospital Campus, Vellore, Phone : 0416 - 2283499

email: balavihar@cmcvellore.ac.in on or before 20th April, 2024 for item 5

6. Librarian for Aadhyavikas KPTR CMC Campus Library

Job description: Resourceful in delivering information about available books to the library users.

Maintaining the library, materials and equipment, ensuring cleanliness, taking monthly inventory and arranging library books in order. Collecting fine for overdue books.

Duty timing - Monday to Saturday 4pm to 7pm

Qualification: Any degree course from a recognised university and computer software skills related to maintenance of library.

Desirable: Candidate must have prior experience of working as a librarian. Only female candidates need to apply. basic computer knowledge in maintaining a database of books in the library.

Kindly submit the hard copy of the curriculum vitae with contact number to Mrs. Sharon, **Aadhyavikas Kid's Corner, Kagithapatarai Campus, CMC Vellore**, on working days between 8am to 4pm on or before **20th April, 2024 for item 6**

7. Scudder Memorial Hospital (CSI - Diocese of Vellore) invited applications for the post of :

(a) General Physician Qualification : MD / DNB.

Salary : Salary commensurate with experience & As per Medical Board.

(b) General Surgeon Qualification : MS / DNB.

Salary : Salary commensurate with experience & As per Medical Board.

(c) Orthopaedic Surgeon Qualification : MS / DNB (with minimum 5 years of experience).

Salary : Salary commensurate with experience & As per Medical Board.

(d) Emergency Physician Qualification : MD / DNB / MEM.

Salary : Salary commensurate with experience & As per Medical Board.

(e) Junior Medical Officer Qualification : MBBS.

Salary : Salary commensurate with experience & As per Medical Board.

Note : Orthopaedic Department also runs DNB Programme for Orthopaedic Students.

Foreign Medical Graduates who have completed the CRRI (Compulsory Rotating Residential Internship) can apply.

Application with copies & qualification to be sent to HR Department, No.3, Kelly's Road, Scudder Memorial Hospital, Ranipet - 632 401.

Email ID : hrrsmh2021@gmail.com / anbusuresh1969@gmail.com

Contact No. **04172-281-550 / 98947 72075 / 97155 73768.**

8. Schieffelin Institute of Health - Research & Leprosy Centre, Karigiri invites applications for the following posts:

1. **Administrative Assistant (Directorate)** - Graduate + PG Diploma in Hospital Management

2. **Administrative Assistant (Purchase)** – Graduate + PG Diploma in Hospital Management

Apply with bio-data along with scanned copies of certificates and send to the directorate@karigiri.org and personnel@karigiri.org

Last date for receipt of applications: **20th April, 2024 for item 8**

9. Erratum : Project Manager (External Designation- Project)

Job Code : 1528

The Centre for Stem Cell Research (CSCR), [a unit of inStem Bengaluru, in collaboration with the Department of Biotechnology (Government of India) and the Christian Medical College (CMC) Vellore] invites applications for the Project Manager (External Designation- Project) to co-ordinate and execute the project in the area of cell and molecular biology related to stem cell research.

Qualification: Ph.D. with a minimum of 1-2 years / M.Sc. with a minimum of 5 years of work experience in laboratory / project management. Preference will be given to candidates with proficiency in data management and prior experience working on government projects or similar projects. Proven communication ability, both written and oral is essential.

Nature of Work: Monitoring project expenditure and working with administrative teams. Maintaining the necessary project documents and organizing meetings for the collaborators. Candidate will be expected to perform the experiments related to the project if necessary. For more details of the positions and the application forms visit <https://www.cscr.res.in/research-opportunities/> Please submit duly filled application to cscredu@cmcvellore.ac.in on or before **April 20, 2024.**