



Christian Medical College Vellore

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Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the Lord. Psalm 31:24

World Hand Hygiene Day Hospital Infection Control Committee

"It might be gloves. It's always hand hygiene"



On May 5, 2025, World Hand Hygiene Day celebrated its 17th anniversary, alongside the World Health Organization's (WHO) 17th year of the global **SAVE LIVES: Clean Your Hands** campaign. The theme for this year, "It might be gloves. It's always hand hygiene," highlighted the importance of proper hand hygiene—even when gloves are worn—and aimed to raise awareness about the environmental impact of excessive glove use.

To mark the occasion, the Infection Prevention & Control (IPC) team at Christian Medical College Vellore, launched a range of competitions and refresher training sessions beginning in the first week of April 2025, held across its campuses. Activities included slogan writing, poster design, elocution, and video contests, all of which received enthusiastic participation from both staff and students. To further reinforce the message, themed badges and stickers were distributed to all healthcare providers, promoting a strong culture of hand hygiene throughout the institution.

The joint valedictory programme for the Town and Ranipet campuses, held on May 5th, began with a prayer by Mrs. Jisha, Chaplain. Dr. Rajiv Karthik, Deputy Chairman HIC, welcomed the gathering and highlighted the importance of hand hygiene. Felicitations were offered by Dr. David Mathew, Deputy Medical Superintendent, Mrs. Sheeba Nelson, Additional Deputy Dean of the College of Nursing and Mrs. Reena Rachel George, Deputy Nursing superintendent who highlighted the growing concern of hand hygiene fatigue, offering practical interventions to bridge existing compliance gaps. The programme concluded with vote of thanks delivered by Dr. Sarah, Asst. Professor & IPC Officer expressing gratitude to all participants and contributors.

Celebration in Chittoor Campus

The valedictory programme at the Chittoor campus, held on May 13th, opened with a prayer and Scripture reading by Rev. Ajay from the Chaplaincy Department. Dr. Reginald Alex, Deputy Medical Superintendent of CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus, served as the Chief Guest and spoke on the cultural and clinical importance of hand hygiene. He stressed the need for proper glove use alongside strict hand hygiene practices. Mrs. Sonia Sabu, Deputy Nursing Superintendent, shared her insights and extended her felicitations, presenting real-world clinical examples that underscored hand hygiene's role in infection control. The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Cheryl, Senior Resident and IPC Officer, who recognised all contributors and encouraged ongoing dedication to hand hygiene.

Highlight of the ceremony was the showcasing of award-winning videos, the reading of the top slogans, and the exhibition of impactful posters—all of which played a vital role in promoting hand hygiene awareness throughout the campuses.

The following participants were awarded prizes for various competitions.

Slogan competition

First Prize - Ms. Monica AU, MHDU
Second Prize - Ms. Gracina I, C602
Third Prize - Ms. Dhivya P, CHAD.

Poster competition

First Prize- Ms. Monica AU, MHDU & Ms. Keerthana S, B502
Second Prize- Ms. P. Rajalakshmi, C201 & Ms. M. Yasodha, C302
Third Prize- Ms. Priya J, E ward.

Video presentation

First Prize - Ms. Anitha Joice, RPICU & Team
Second Prize - Ms. Kamani, PBOR & Team
Third Prize - Neuro HDU & Team
Consolation prize - Sareen Shiloh Sharma & team, IDA Scudder School.

Prize winners in Chittoor Campus

Slogan competition

First Prize - Mrs. Jasmine Joy Sweetey, Paediatric ward
Second Prize - Mrs. Sowmiya, Post-natal ward
Third Prize - Mrs. Ruth, HHKA.

Video competition

First Prize - Surgery Ward
Second Prize - Post-Natal Ward
Third Prize - OPD.

Elocution competition:

First Prize - Mr. Jacob John, 2nd Year DMLT Student
Second Prize - Mr. Gideon Samuel M, Chittoor OR
Third Prize - Mr. Sambeta Lokesh, Gr.II Pharmacist.



CME and Workshop on Prevention of Cervical Cancer



The Department of Gynaecologic Oncology, in conjunction with the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology at CMC Vellore Chittoor campus, and in collaboration with the Association for Gynaecologic Oncology of India (AOGIN), successfully hosted a comprehensive CME and Workshop on the Prevention of Cervical Cancer on 6th May 2025. This event marked the first-ever Continuing Medical Education (CME) programme conducted at the Chittoor campus, reflecting the institution's shared commitment to eliminating the second most common cancer affecting Indian women.

The session commenced with an invocation, followed by an opening prayer. Dr. Annie Prashanthi, Head of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, CMC Chittoor, delivered the welcome address and introduced the esteemed guests of honor, including Dr. Alex Reginald, Deputy Medical Superintendent, CMC Chittoor; Dr. Anitha Thomas, Professor & Head of the Department of Gynaecologic Oncology, CMC Vellore; and Dr. Jayashree Natarajan, Professor, Adyar Cancer Institute.

Session I focused on the foundational aspects of cervical cancer prevention with insights into the etiopathogenesis, natural history of cervical cancer, the current burden of cervical cancer in the world, India and Tamil Nadu. Session II addressed the critical areas of HPV prophylactic vaccination, available screening modalities, guidelines, and current HPV testing methodologies and management.

Session III concentrated on clinical management following a positive screening test and the emerging role of artificial intelligence in cervical cancer prevention. The afternoon session commenced with a panel discussion, which was followed by an engaging and practical hands-on workshop on the management of pre-invasive disease of the cervix.

The CME was meant to train and equip general and family medicine practitioners, community medicine physicians and generally gynaecologists in screening for cervical cancer and refer or treat those with pre-invasive lesions of the cervix. The CME and workshop concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Dr. Dhanya Thomas. This collaborative initiative by CMC Chittoor and AOGIN India represents a significant step towards enhancing the knowledge and skills of healthcare professionals in the prevention of cervical cancer, ultimately contributing to improved women's health outcomes.



National Safe Motherhood Day

National Safe Motherhood Day is observed on 11th April every year. In commemoration of this day, a week-long health awareness programme was organised by Mrs. Reena V., M.Sc. Nursing Tutor, College of Nursing, CMC Vellore, Chittoor campus along with Obstetrics & Gynecology unit of CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus.

A series of awareness activities were conducted from April 7th to April 13th, 2025, targeting antenatal and postnatal mothers, as well as the general public. These activities took place in the OPD, patient waiting areas, and the postnatal ward of the Chittoor Campus. As part of the initiative, posters highlighting the theme “Equity in Maternal Healthcare: Leaving No Mother Behind” and educational models on perinatal care were displayed. Additionally, a role play was performed by B.Sc. Nursing III year students to engage and educate the audience. Patients, their attendants, and the general public actively participated and benefitted from the programme.



On April 9, 2025, an outreach programme under the scheme 'Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan' (PMSMA) was organised in Bommasamudram PHC under the guidance of Mrs. Reena V & Mrs. Sophia Percy, M.Sc. Nursing Tutors jointly with the Medical Officer, Dr. Rashmita. B.Sc. Nursing III year students from the College of Nursing, CMC Vellore, Chittoor campus conducted a health education programme for the antenatal mothers by performing a role play, emphasising the importance of antenatal care, obstetric care, postnatal care, family planning, post abortion care and control of sexually transmitted diseases.

On the 11th April 2025, a public awareness programme was conducted in the patient waiting area of Chittoor Campus. Chief guest Mrs. Rajeswari Siva, former Professor and Head, Department of Community Health Nursing, College of Nursing, CMC Vellore addressed the gathering and emphasised on timely and quality maternity care and early detection and management of high-risk pregnancies to reduce the maternal and infant mortality rate. As part of the awareness activities, a puppet show focusing on Safe Motherhood practices was presented by B.Sc. Nursing III year students, capturing the attention of mothers and the general public alike. Educational models were also exhibited and explained to mothers attending the program, enhancing their understanding of maternal and perinatal care. Additionally, a slogan competition was organised for antenatal mothers, and prizes were distributed to encourage active participation and reinforce key health messages.



Lamp Lighting Ceremony at CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus



The Lamp Lighting Ceremony for the sixth batch (B.Sc. Nursing - Batch of 2024) of the College of Nursing, CMC Vellore, Chittoor campus was held on 12th May 2025, in the Multipurpose Hall, College of Nursing, CMC Vellore, Chittoor campus. Forty nine first year B.Sc. Nursing students made a solemn promise and dedicated themselves to the nursing profession by lighting their lamps. The Chief Guest Dr. Selva Titus Chacko, the former Dean of College of Nursing, CMC Vellore, and the Dean, College of Nursing, Gulf Medical University, Ajman, U.A.E. addressed the students and uplifted their spirit with her inspiring message. She emphasised that CMC graduates are rooted in the core values that help them make a difference in the society.

She motivated the students to carry the legacy of CMC wherever they are placed and to demonstrate clinical efficiency and ethical soundness in their practice. Mrs. Nirmala Margaret P, Principal, College of Nursing, CMC Vellore, Chittoor campus gave charge to the young nursing students and highlighted the significance of the tradition of College of Nursing, CMC's Lamp Lighting Ceremony. She urged the students to let their light of compassion, care and commitment shine in the darkest moment of others' lives.

Dr. K.S. Jacob, Former Professor & Head, Department of Psychiatry, CMC Vellore, and the Consultant Psychiatrist, CMC Vellore, Chittoor campus was the Guest of Honour who addressed the students and lit the Florence Nightingale lamp which was handed over to the Principal. He motivated the young budding nurses to update their knowledge and practice and to develop an inclination towards continuous learning. He focused on the greater need for research in the current healthcare scenario and encouraged nurses to initiate research activities. Mrs. Alice Sony, Nursing Superintendent, CMC Vellore, and Mrs. Nirmala Margaret P, Principal, passed on the lamps to the students. Rev. Finney Alexander, Head of Chaplaincy, CMC Vellore offered prayer of dedication and benediction. The programme was attended by the Administrative Officers of CMC Vellore and Chittoor Campus, Dean and Faculty from College of Nursing, Medical and Nursing staff of Chittoor Campus, Chaplains and parents of students from Batch 2024.



American Heart Association - Advanced Cardiac Life Support (AHA ACLS) Provider level course



The AHA- ACLS provider level course was held on the 15th to 16th May, 2025. This 2-day course is designed for healthcare providers (doctors, nurses, paramedics) who initiate advanced life care in acutely ill adults, beyond basic life support, through the stabilisation or transport phases of adult emergency. This Advanced Cardiac Life Support Course is accredited by the American Heart Association and is valid internationally. The number of participants is strictly restricted to 19 as per AHA guidelines. The ACLS faculty were Dr. Ekta Rai, Dr. Andrew Solomon, Dr. Chris Maria, Dr. Samuel David Chandran from Department of Anaesthesia. Dr. Priya from Emergency Department. 19 delegates actively participated in this ACLS course.

Special Prayers June 01 - 07, 2025

Department of Dentistry : Dr. Santosh Koshy and Staff
Dr. Christinal D. George and Staff
Dr. Jagadish Ebenezer and Staff
Dr. Sibu Simon S. and Staff
Dr. Soumya S.V. and Staff
Dr. Shini Susan Samuel and Staff



CSI Medak Diocese

Council Members : Prof. Dr. B. Vimal Sukumar
Dr. K. Dayanand

Mizoram Presbyterian Church Synod

Council Members : Dr. R.L. Sanghluna
Rev. Dr. K. Lallawmzuala

Hospital : Synod Hospital, Durtlang, Mizoram.

Marathi Mission

Council Members : Mr. Mohan Cyril Paul Luke
Mr. Nandkumar Shinde
Hospital : Willis F Pierce Memorial Hospital, Wai, Satara and others.

Memorandum

Dr. Henry Prakash M, Professor of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation and Associate Medical Superintendent, is appointed as Associate Head, Pharmacy Services, with effect from 1st June 2025 for a four year term.

Notice

- The **7th Emergency Sonology Workshop (POCUS) for doctors**. Scheduled on 31st July 2025 in Jacob Chandy Hall, Paul Brand Building, CMC Vellore Campus. The entry is restricted to a maximum of 30 candidates on a first-come-first-serve basis. The registration fee is Rs.3500/-. For registration: <https://forms.gle/2RKgNjSMRE1dUyYH6>. For further details kindly contact Mr. Senthil Kumar, Secretary, Department of Emergency Medicine - Phone No. 2225.
- The **69th Early Management of Trauma Course (EMTC) for Doctors & Nurses**. The course is scheduled on 28th, 29th & 30th July 2025. As there has been a great demand for the same, seats are restricted to 30 on a first-come-first-serve basis. The registration fee is Rs.7000/-. For further details contact. Mr. Senthil Kumar, Secretary, Department of Emergency Medicine - Phone No. 2225. For Registration : <https://forms.gle/vrQvPzZWS1huCC7Z7>

Admission Notice

• CMC CMAI DHA 2025

Admission for 7th batch of Diploma in Hospital Administration (DHA) one-year distance education course offered in collaboration with Christian Medical Association of India (CMAI), New Delhi and Christian Medical College Vellore is open. The Programme details and the application are available at <https://www.cmch-vellore.edu/courses/>

- **RUHSA Community College for the JULY 2025**

Applications open for RUHSA Community College for the **JULY 2025 batch**. Kindly encourage eligible men and women candidates to apply for all courses. The duration of each course is one year, (six months of classroom training and six months of internship).

The last date of submission of the application is **23-06-2025**.

The following courses are offered in association with ICRDCE, Chennai, recognized by NSDC-Non-Funding Skill Certification Scheme, Govt. of India:

Skill Certificate Courses:

- Four-Wheeler Service Technician
- Field Technician Air Conditioner
- Field Technician Refrigerator
- Electrical Technician
- Field Technician – Computing & Peripherals
- Two-wheeler Service Technician.
- Self Employed Tailor
- General Duty Assistant

Education Criteria: should have completed 8th standard.

Age: Completed 16 years for Certificate courses. Younger candidates will be accepted in selected courses and will receive the RUHSA Certificate.

Application fee: Rs.15/- payable at RUHSA.

For details kindly Contact: Phone: 8300031374 / 9442511982 / 9626217667 / 8300031305.

Email : vetri.ruhsa@cmcvellore.ac.in

Obituary

- **Mrs. Kamalam Selvaraj**, mother of Mrs. Chithra S, Office Facilitator Gr.I, Department of Pharmacy passed away on 27th May, 2025. Let us uphold her children, grandchildren and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

Situations Vacant

Click the following link to view the vacancies
<https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmccapp/listapplication.aspx>

Vacancies under the Principal's Office - for queries, contact the mentioned office

1. Senior Resident Gr.III with MD (General Medicine) for the Department of Infectious Diseases

Experienced and dedicated professional who can continue to provide high-quality medical services to HIV outpatients. **Salary :** As per institutional rules.

Accommodation : Provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

Applications are to be done only through the online application system.

Please log on to <https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmccapp/listapplication.aspx>

Note: Applications are to be done only through the online application system. Hard copies will not be accepted. Applications to be done before **June 14, 2025**.

2. Jr. Special Teacher (Term Post) for the Developmental Paediatric Unit

Qualification : M.Ed. Special Education in Mental Retardation, M.A. or M.Sc. in Clinical or Rehabilitation Psychology (regular course; correspondence course not eligible).

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. **Accommodation :** Not Provided.

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3. Project Coordinator for the Department of Infectious Diseases

Job Code : 1600

Qualification : Pharm D: preference will be given to candidates with experience in systematic reviews and guideline development.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Mode of Appointment: Project Mode. **Accommodation:** Not Provided.

Applications are to be done only through the online application system.

Please log on to: <https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmccapp/listapplication.aspx>

Hard copies and emails will not be accepted. Applications will close by **June 14, 2025**.

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

4. Social Worker Gr.V for the Department of Paediatrics Unit-I (Paediatric Haematology Oncology)

Qualifications : M.A., (Sociology) and those who have completed 4 years of experience as Asst. Social Worker (Term Appointment) or equivalent only need to apply.

Salary Scale: Rs.15,318 - 613 - 30,643+ DA & HRA as per rules. **Age Limit :** 35 years.

Note: Only from Recognized University / Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence studies will be not accepted.

Applications are to be done only through the online application system.

Please log on to <https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmccapp/listapplication.aspx>

Note : Only online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted. Applications to be done before **June 09, 2025**.

5. Jr. Cardiac Technician (Term Appointment) for the Department of Cardiology (CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus)

Qualifications : B.Sc., in Cardiac Technology or B.Sc., (Science Subjects) with PG Diploma in Cardiac Technology.

Consolidated Pay: Rs.26,450/-. **Age Limit :** Below 30 Years.

Job Description: To assist in Cath Lab, Echo Cardiography, ECG, Treadmil and Holter.

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

Applications are to be done only through the online application system.

Please log on to <https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmccapp/listapplication.aspx>

Note : Only online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted. Applications to be done before **June 16, 2025**.

6. Staff III Critical Care Therapist for the Surgical Critical Care.

Qualification: B.Sc., Critical Care Technology (B.Sc., with One year Internship) from any recognized University or Diploma in Critical Care Therapy obtained from CMC Hospital (H.Sc., with two year Diploma with one year internship) and those who have completed 4 years of experience as Jr. Critical Care Therapist or equivalent only need to apply.

Salary Scale : Rs.12762 - 510 – 25512 + DA & HRA as per rules.

Age Limit : 35 years.

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

Applications are to be done only through the online application system.

Please log on to <https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmccapp/listapplication.aspx>

Note : *Only online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted. Applications to be done before **June 09, 2025.***

7. Laboratory Technician (External Designation – Project) for the Centre for Stem Cell Research

Qualifications: B.Sc., MLT / B.Sc., in Life Science / B. Tech with minimum 55% marks.

Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Nature of Job : Perform routine experiments for the project, assisting in the development, implementation and maintenance of the project and support the JRF and SRF in executing the project while managing day to day operations of the lab.

Job Description : To work in the area of cell and molecular biology related to stem cell research and to perform the routine experiments in the project and help the JRF/SRF to execute the project.

Consolidated Pay : Rs.20,000/- **Age Limit:** 30 Years.

Applications are to be done only through the online application system.

Please log on to <https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmccapp/listapplication.aspx>

Note : *Only online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted. Applications to be done before **June 16, 2025.***

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

8. Jr. Engineer Gr.IV for the Department of Civil Engineering

Qualification : Diploma in Civil Engineering.

Salary : As per institutional norms.

Age Limit : 35 years and below.

Preference : Candidates those who have successfully completed Jr. Engineer - 4th year.

Note: *Only Regular mode will be accepted, private or correspondence will not be accepted. Final Year Students are not eligible. Applications should be made online. Applications through other job portals will not be considered. Existing Staff (term or project or permanent) can apply only after getting necessary approval from Head of the department.*

Please log on to <https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmccapp/listapplication.aspx>

Apply on or before **June 04, 2025.**

9. Office Facilitator Gr.IV for the Personnel Department

Qualification : Any Graduate (Regular) with 1 year CMC Trainee passed.

Salary : As per institutional norms.

Age Limit : 35 years and below.

Preference : Candidates who have completed 4th Year - NTA will be considered, others need not apply.

Note: Only Regular mode will be accepted, private or correspondence will not be accepted. Final Year Students are not eligible. Applications should be made online. Applications through other job portals will not be considered. Existing Staff (term or project or permanent) can apply only after getting necessary approval from Head of the department.

Please log on to <https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmccapp/listapplication.aspx>

Apply on or before **June 04, 2025.**

Others

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

- **Telephone Operator:** H.Sc. with Basic Computer Knowledge and Good Communication Skills.
- **Pharmacist (Leave Vacancy) :** B. Pharma.

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

Last date for receipt of applications: **June15, 2025**