

GSMC MUHS UNESCO BIOETHICS UNIT

ANNUAL REPORT – 2019

I. Highlights & Achievements:

- **“Psychological First Aid Workshop”** was conducted on **10th July 2019**. It was conducted by Dr. Shubhangi Parkar, Professor and Head of the Department of Psychiatry at KEMH along with Dr. Shilpa Adarkar Professor, Department of Psychiatry at KEMH. Thirty-eight (38) undergraduate students attended from various discipline attended this workshop.
- Workshop on **“Narrative writing and Reflections”** was conducted **19th of July 2019**. The students were introduced to the concepts of narrative writing in medicine and how to reflect. This workshop was conducted by Dr. Padmaja Samant, Professor, Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology, Dr. Munira Hirkani, Professor, Department of Physiology, KEMH and Dr. Henal Shah, Professor, Department of Psychiatry at Nair Hospital.
- **World Bioethics Day Celebrations - The World Bioethics Day 2019** Celebrations started with various competitions for undergraduate students on the theme of World Bioethics Day 2018- **“Respect for Cultural Diversity in Healthcare”**. The celebrations culminated into the mega event held on **Monday, 14th October 2019**. Dr Armida Fernandez, renowned Neonatologist, Former Dean of Sion Hospital; chief guest on this occasion, delivered a key note address on the theme, **“Respect for Cultural Diversity in Health”**.
- The **Symposium** on the theme **“Respect for Cultural Diversity in Healthcare”** was arranged on **14th October, 2019** as a part of World Bioethics Day Celebrations. There were three invited guest speakers Dr Jayita Deodhar, Professor of Psychiatry & Palliative care, Tata Memorial Hospital, Mrs. Sujata Ashtekar, Organ Donation Coordinator & Consultant and Ms Surabhi Mittal, IIT Mumbai. They touched upon different aspects related to cultural diversity and healthcare.
- **Publication** - Annual bulletin of the unit, **“INARCH”** based on the theme **“Respect for Cultural Diversity in Healthcare”** was released during the World Bioethics Day celebration on **14th October 2019**. Dr Padmaja Samant was the editor of this bulletin.

II. Education: GSMC MUHS UNESCO Bioethics unit conducts training for undergraduate students across various disciplines in accordance with the syllabus designed by MUHS and UNESCO chair, Haifa. As per MCI directives, the '**Bioethics sessions as a part of Foundation Course**' were conducted during 3rd August 2019 to 23rd August 2019 for the new batch of 250 First MBBS students. There were 7 sessions which covered the competencies addressed under the theme 'Professionalism and Ethics'. The modules are conducted by trained members and experts in the field.

Sr No	Date	Topics Covered
1	3 rd August 2019	Professionalism and Ethics
2	8 th August 2019	Human Dignity and Human rights
3	13 th August 2019	Beneficence and Non maleficence
4	16 th August 2019	Equality, equity and Justice
5	20 th August 2019	Cultural Diversity
6	21 st August 2019	Honesty and Integrity
7	23 rd August 2019	Audiovisual session (Informal formative assessment)

Following topics were covered for other disciplines:

Discipline & Batch	Date	Topic covered
First MBBS and OT and PT students Admission Batch 2018	March 11, 2019	Introduction to Ethics, Medical Ethics, Bioethics History, Bioethical Principles and Cultural diversity Human rights and dignity, Benefit and Harm, Empathy, Autonomy, Equality and justice
First Year Nursing Students 2018 Batch	February 25, 2019	MUHS and Nursing syllabus modules were held
Interns	Doctor patient relationship and communication skills and Professionalism	

Post Graduate Grand rounds:

Post graduate grand rounds were held for residents of Radiology, Anaesthesia and Paediatric anaesthesia on 5th April 2019 in Community Medicine seminar hall.

III. Student wing Activities: The unit has a strong student wing that carries out various activities. This year competitions were held on the theme “Respect for Cultural Diversity in Healthcare”. Outside classroom activities are carried out to sensitize towards ethical values, team work and leadership. Experts from outside and within the institute are invited as judges.

- ❖ **Rangoli Competition 2019:** Rangoli competition was held on the theme ‘Respect for Cultural Diversity in Healthcare’.
- ❖ **Poster Competition 2019:** Total 29 posters were received from undergraduate students, postgraduate students and employees of KEMH & Seth GSMC.
Winners were as follow: First Prize: Prashant Harish Saraf (First MBBS). Second Prize: Pranita Misal (II BPTH) & Megha Gavit (III GNM) and
Special Prize for artistic excellence: Mrunmai Gaikwad (III BPTH)
- ❖ **A Short Film Competition:** It was held on 10th October, 2019. Two films were received from MCGM medical colleges.
- ❖ **Street play competition 2018** -- A grand street play competition was showcased in the MLT on the theme of Respect for cultural diversity in Health on 10th October, 2019. Winning team was from school of Nursing, Seth GSMC & KEMH.

Research:

- Perception of knowledge attitude and practices of medical ethics in undergraduates of health care profession. Omkar Thakur, Gautami Chaudhari, Dr Mariya Jiandani, Dr S B Salagre
- Assessment of Ethics and Professionalism among the medical undergraduate students of a tertiary care teaching hospital: A questionnaire based cross-sectional survey Marathe PA, Bavishi D, Pooja SG, Kokate D, Mulkalwar A

Publications-

- Respect for cultural Diversity: Minding the gap. M P Jiandani, Jyotsna Thosar
- Cultural Competence: Healthcare beyond Medicine. Dr. Trupti Ramteke, Dr Karuna Nadkarni, Dr Padmaja Marathe
- Legal Medicine in Relation with Respect for Cultural Diversity. Dr. Shashank Tyagi

- Importance of cultural competency/ diversity in nursing practices. Arya Deshmukh, Vaishali Chavan
- Cultural Diversities Discourse in Medical Education. Dr Padmaja Samant
- Philosophy in Healthcare. Dr. Venkatesh Rathod, Dr. Nayana Ingole
- Reflection of Cultural Diversity in Issues of Dying and Death. Dr. Y B Chavan, Dr. Anjali Telang
- Reflections: Bioethics Learning and Application. Devi Bavishi

Awards & Honours-

- Assessment of Ethics and Professionalism among the medical undergraduate students of a tertiary care teaching hospital: A questionnaire based cross-sectional survey
Marathe PA, Bavishi D, Pooja SG, Kokate D, Mulkalwar A
This paper received 1st prize in 217th scientific meeting of Staff Society, Seth GSMC & KEMH on 19th July 2019.

Looking Ahead: Training of Postgraduates in Bioethics and clinical ethics

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