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Central monitoring system at the labour room

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** Advanced Simulation Lab Center to train doctors, nurses, and emergency teams on maternal and neonatal care launched at CMC.*

** Cutting-edge commodities and equipment facilitated for labor and delivery rooms, and neonatal intensive care unit at the hospital.*

January 21, 2023, Vellore: The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) today launched a new Advanced Simulation Lab Center at the Christian Medical College (CMC) in Vellore, Tamil Nadu. The Lab will be used to train doctors, nurses, and emergency teams in maternal and neonatal care, including the latest technologies to respond to mother and infant emergencies, basic and advanced nursing procedures, and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR).

The dedication began with a beautiful invocation song rendered by the Choir of Nursing and Allied Health students, followed by a prayer by Rev. Finney Alexander, Chaplain.

Dr. Vikram Mathews, Director, CMC Vellore welcomed the gathering and reiterated, on behalf of the institution, our immense gratitude towards USAID for their generosity towards CMC over the last 40 years.

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Anaesthesia advanced simulation lab at CMC

There was an overview of the programmes supported by USAID from the various departments - Nursing, Anaesthesia, Neonatology and Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Dr. Vathsala Sadan, Dean College of Nursing, Dr. Ekta Rai, Head of Anaesthesia, Dr. Benjamin Ross, Professor, Neonatology and Dr. Jiji Mathews, Head of Obstetrics and Gynecology presented their respective overviews.

Dr. Vinu Moses, Deputy Director, Gifts and Grants introduced the Chief Guest for the occasion, Ms. Sangita Patel, Health Office Director at USAID India. Prior to joining the India team, she served with USAID in Pakistan, Zambia, Armenia, Namibia, and Washington D.C. She has worked for USAID since 2000, managing programs to advance public health, improve education, promote economic resiliency, provide humanitarian assistance, and strengthen social protection.

The other dignitaries present were Dr. Johnny Oommen Vice-Chair of the CMC Vellore Association, Dr. Margaret Kumar, Chair of the Vellore CMC Foundation USA, along with Dr. David Reines, Mr. John Riehl and Ms. Patricia Carroll from the Vellore CMC Foundation. Dr. Johnny emphasized the values of 'situational excellence and social relevance'.

The Advanced Simulation Lab Center is supported by USAID's \$1 million (USD) grant through its American Schools and Hospitals Abroad (ASHA) program. ASHA helps build bridges of understanding and friendship between the people of the United States of America and India. As such, the facility incorporates American best practices in protocols, patient safety, and debriefing tools that are essential for student evaluation and feedback. Through this initiative, USAID also facilitated cutting-edge commodities and equipment for labor and delivery rooms, as well as the neonatal intensive care unit at the hospital.

USAID/India Health Office Director, **Sangita Patel** stated, *"USAID aims to build upon existing evidence and best practices, as well as to catalyze new ideas, partnerships, and approaches. With this catalytic grant that has facilitated the setting up of the Advanced Simulation Lab Center and advanced labor and delivery room tools at the Christian Medical College, Vellore, USAID aims to accelerate reductions in maternal, newborn, and child mortality and morbidity by increasing the commitment and capacity of locally led institutions and providers to offer high-quality, integrated health care in the state of Tamil Nadu."*

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Dr. Vikram Mathews, Director, CMC Vellore, said *“The USAID-ASHA grants are a catalyst for bringing a change in healthcare delivery services. In the past also, USAID has supported the setting up of advanced diagnostics, simulation labs, integrated health support systems, and health facilities, improving perinatal outcomes and survival of newborns with cerebral injuries.”*

Since 1982, USAID has provided over \$11 million for infrastructure, equipment, and other needs to CMC. ASHA provides assistance to overseas schools, libraries, hospitals, and centers of excellence to catalyze collaboration between citizens of the United States and other countries and create self-sustaining local institutions.



The Dedication programme was followed by visits to the Labour Room, Neonatal ICU, Anaesthesia SIM lab and 5 SIM labs in the College of Nursing campus.



January 22 -28, 2023

Special Prayers This Week



Accident and Emergency :

Dr. K.P.P. Abhilash and Staff
Mrs. Meenatchi Sekar and Staff
Mrs. Jayalinda Christopher and Staff

CSI Krishna - Godavari Diocese

Council Members :

Rt. Rev. T. George Cornelious
Mr. T. Ravi Kumar

CSI Karnataka Diocese

Council Members : Rt. Rev. Dr. Prasana Kumar Samuel
Dr. John Ebenezar

Friends of Vellore – Sweden

Council Member : Dr. Sten Walther

Hospitals : CSI Hospital, Bangalore,
CSI Basel Mission Hospital, Gadag,
CSI Holdsworth Memorial Hospital, Mysore
and others.

Welcome

Dr. A.V. Varsha, Assistant Professor, Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery, on her return from study leave.

Memoranda

- The appointment of **Dr. Vinay Timothy Oommen**, as Council Secretary, will be for a 3 year term, from 3rd September, 2022. This supersedes are previous memorandum dated 8th September, 2022.
- **Mr. Denzil Ranjitsingh Gnanamani**, Sr. Manager (Finance & Accounts), is appointed as Treasurer with effect from 1st February, 2023 till his superannuation.
- **Dr. Rajesh I**, Professor, Radiation Oncology-II, is appointed as Medical Superintendent with effect from 1st February, 2023 for a 5 year term.
- **Mr. Reni Charles C.**, Sr. Reader, Pharmacy Services, is appointed as General Superintendent with effect from 1st February, 2023 for a 5 year term.
- **Dr. Vinitha Ravindran**, Professor (Nursing) Category-I, is appointed as Dean, College of Nursing with effect from 11th June 2023 till her superannuation.
- **Mrs. Alice Sony**, Professor (Nursing) Category-I, is appointed as Nursing Superintendent with effect from 15th March 2023 till her superannuation.

Laurels and Recognitions

Dr. Hannah Mary Thomas T, India Alliance Early Career Fellow from the Quantitative Imaging Research and Artificial Intelligence Lab in Radiation Oncology Unit-II, CMC Vellore was awarded the Institute of Advanced Sciences External Academies Fellowship from University of Surrey, UK to pursue research in Artificial Intelligence in Medical Imaging at the Centre for Vision, Speech and Signal Processing and the Survey Institute for People-Centered Artificial Intelligence.

Retirement

Mr. N. Pichandi, Sr.Gr.I Electrician is retired on 9th January, 2023 after completing 38 years of service in our institution. He joined in RUHSA Department on 1985 as an electrician. He was born in Sholingur Village, Vallimalai, Vellore District. He did his schooling in Goodlet Higher Secondary School at Sholingur and underwent a training at Katpadi Industrial Institute in the year 1983.



Mr. N. Pichandi got married to Mrs. Selvi who is as an office facilitator in the Department of Pharmacy, CMC Vellore. They are blessed with two sons, Mr. Deepak Raj is holding a post of co-ordinator for TNQ Technologies, Chennai and Mr. Akash Raj is a student of Dialysis Technology, SRIHER, Chennai.

He is a man of humility and silence and takes self-initiative at his work. He is also a good TT (Table Tennis) player. The Department of RUHSA is thankful for his dedication and commitment. The CMC family is thankful to Mr. N. Pichandi for his efficient and dedicated service to this institution and wishes him God's blessings in his retired life.

Obituaries



• **Dr. Pherlok Lamare** (PG alumnus; MS General Surgery, batch of 1976) passed away on 14th April, 2022. Dr. Pherlok Lamare, the youngest among his four siblings, was born on the 17th of April 1946 to Mr. Rajendro Rangslang and Mrs. Wilnoris Lamare residents of Sunny Hill, Shillong, Meghalaya.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

• **Dr. Usha Padiyar** (nee Usha Manerikar) (MBBS batch of 1958) passed away on 9th January, 2023. Dr. Usha Padiyar (nee Usha Manerikar) was born on 22nd December, 1940.

Dr. Usha joined for her MBBS course in the year 1958. Later she did her DCP and then MD Pathology. She worked as Assistant Director at the Vaccine Institute in Vadodara (Baroda) till 1998 December. Her only son was a precious child born 12 years after marriage, whom she courageously brought up single handed October 1998 onwards when her husband died of Acute Myocardial Infarct. She also simultaneously looked after her parents. Her son died of Acute Myocardial Infarct in May 2018 which affected her very much but she continued to do her work bravely.



Dr. Usha wrote several articles on her blog on various subjects. She had an excellent memory too. She kept in touch with many CMC alumni especially her classmates. She is survived by her daughter in law and a grandson.

Those who may wish to get in touch with the family, the contact details of her sister Dr. Asha Paidhungat (MBBS batch of 1960) is given below : Dr. Asha Paidhungat, Email : ajpaidhungat@gmail.com

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

• **Mr. Barnabas Nicholas**, former Senior Selection Grade Technician, Biochemistry Department, father of Mr. Walter Nixon, Supervisor in Radiology Department, passed away on 16th January, 2023.

Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Vasantha Barnabas, retired Sr. Pharmacist, MHC, daughter Mrs. Mary Sheeba, former Staff Nurse in CHAD, daughter-in-law Mrs. Merline Nixon, Staff Nurse in CHAD, son-in-law Mr. Kennedy, former Staff in MRD Department and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mr. J. Jobu**, father of Mr. J. Suresh Kumar, Secretary, Neurosurgery Unit-II, Department of Neurological Sciences, passed away on 19th January, 2023.

Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Thangamani, children and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Dr. Frank Garlick** (former Professor of Surgery) in Brisbane passed away on 13th January, 2023. Dr. Frank Garlick was a pilgrim, a pioneer and a prophet, who along with Dr. Val Garlick has left a trail of living his vocation in humility and simplicity!

Dr. Frank Garlick worked in the Department of General surgery, Christian Medical College Vellore from 1962 to 1970. He was an accomplished surgeon with extraordinary surgical skills and diagnostic acumen. He was popular among students and residents for his teaching and engaging skills. His colleagues looked up to him as a leader and mentor. Many alumni members would know Many remember Dr. Frank as a particularly energetic gentleman who was very keen on both encouragement and mentorship and always willing to catch up for a chat - over coffee or tea.



Prof. Frank Garlick.

Dr. Frank graduated from the University of Queensland Australia in 1951. In the early 1960s, Dr. Frank and his wife Dr. Val (also a medical graduate) worked in the Department of General Surgery, Christian Medical College Vellore, where Dr. Frank oversaw one of the 3 surgical units. They were involved in the lives of many medical students and junior doctors. After 8 years, they felt a conviction to move and responded to an invitation to join the Union of Evangelical Students (UESI) where Dr. Frank became a staff-worker - He travelled all over India visiting Mission Hospitals and the many medical colleges (100 or more at that time) in India. Dr. Frank Garlick and Dr. M.C. Mathew were co-founders of the EMFI an evangelical medical fellowship group.

Dr. Frank and Dr. Val returned to Brisbane where Dr. Frank took on the job of Director and started the Emergency Department at the Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital for 13 years. In 1989, Drs. Frank and Val were invited to return overseas, this time to Kathmandu (Nepal) as Medical Superintendent of Patan Hospital for 5 years, helping the surgical services. Drs. Frank and Val got involved in running marriage enrichment programs for families in the last two decades. They were closely involved with the CMDFA a Christian doctors fellowship in Australia and the FOV - Friends of Vellore in Brisbane.

Dr. Frank passed away on the night of Friday the 13th of January soon after his 94th birthday.

The Thanksgiving Service was held at Northeast Baptist Church in Brisbane on Friday Jan 20 at 3pm. The link to the Thanksgiving service is pasted below. https://youtube.com/live/Wv9pkjRO_2Q?feature=share

We are giving below a link to the article written by Dr. M.C. Mathew and Dr. Anna Mathew <http://waymarksonajourney.blogspot.com/2023/01/dr-frank-garlick-pilgrim-journeys-on.html>
Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

Upcoming Event

The CMC Vellore Republic Day Run 2023 is being organised for community participation on the 26th January 2023, by the Division of Clinical Radiology. The run will be held in the College Campus, Bagayam. It will start at 8.15 am, soon after the flag hoisting.

Staff, staff families including children, students and alumni are encouraged to participate and make it a memorable Republic Day Run. The registration will start on Tuesday, 17th January 2023. The link for registration is given below: <https://forms.gle/qthzCEsuhJ2wV42x9>
The registration fee is Rs.200/- and Rs.100/- for children <10 years. E-certificates will be sent to all successful participants. There will also be games for children!

We thank the staff of Clinical Radiology for their willingness to organise the event. Any queries can be sent to radio@cmcvellore.ac.in



Notice



Christian Medical College Vellore

Tamil Nadu - 632 002. Email : registrar@cmcvellore.ac.in

Medical PG (MD/MS), Diploma in Clinical Pathology & M.Ch. Neurosurgery - Broad Specialty (Post MBBS) Courses Admissions 2023

Application form can be accessed & submitted online through the College website :
<http://admissions.cmcvellore.ac.in/>
till **27th February, 2023.**

Please refer to Admission Bulletin (available at our website) for course details, eligibility criteria etc.

All courses and admissions to our College are subject to applicable regulations by University / Government / National Medical Commission / Court.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public are CAUTIONED not to be lured by any person offering admission to any of the courses conducted by CMC Vellore. The college will not be responsible for any candidates or parents dealing with such person / persons. Civil and a criminal court proceeding will be taken up against any person who holds out promises and also uses the institution's intellectual properties.

PLEASE NOTE :

**WE DO NOT ADMIT STUDENTS
THROUGH AGENTS OR AGENCIES.**

CMC VELLORE ADMINISTRATION

Situations Vacant

1(a) Senior Resident with MS / DNB (Orthopaedics) for the Department of Paediatric Orthopaedics

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary : As per Institutional Rules. Accommodation Provided (Subject to Availability).

1(b) Assistant Professor with M.Ch. in Paed. Ortho. / MS / DNB in Orthopaedics with 2 years Special Training / Fellowship in Paediatric Orthopaedics for the Department of Paediatric Orthopaedics

Preference : Fellowship experience in Paediatric Orthopaedics will be given preference.

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary : As per Institutional Rules. Accommodation Provided (Subject to Availability).

2. Lecturer Gr.II (NM) for the Department of General Pathology

Qualifications : Master's degree with Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.). Candidates must have a minimum of 4 years' experience with bench work related to Molecular Techniques and a minimum of 1 year experience in Fluorescence in-situ Hybridization (FISH) for solid tumours. Salary : As per the Institutional Rules.

Note : Only regular mode of Master's degree will be considered; private or Correspondence will not be accepted. Accommodation not Provided.

3. Tutor with MBBS for the Department of Forensic Medicine

Salary Scale : 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://www.cmch-vellore.edu/JobVacancy.aspx?jtype=ALL> Link : "Vacancies".

Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted. Applications will close by **January 28, 2023** for Items 1(a),

1(b), 2 and **February 04, 2023** for Item 3.

4. Senior Research Fellow for the Department of Paediatric Orthopaedics

Job Code : 1458

Qualification : Bachelors in Technology or Engineering / Bio-engineering (B.Tech./BE) with skills in tool and die making.

Salary : Rs.35,000/- + HRA. Age Limit : 35 Years and below.

Duration : Initial appointment for one year (Extendable).

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode. Accommodation not provided.

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Applications to be done only through online application system.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and Emails will not be accepted.**

Applications will close by **January 31, 2023** for Item 4.

5(a) Assistant Professor Gr.II for the College of Nursing, Christian Medical College Vellore.

Qualification : M.Sc. Nursing in Psychiatric Nursing Speciality. (for the **College of Nursing, Christian Medical College Vellore-Main Campus**).

Accommodation and Salary : As per institutional policy.

5(b) Research Nurse M.Sc. to work in a Project on term appointment basis. The project will be implemented under the **Department of Clinical Microbiology**.

Qualification : M.Sc. Nursing.

Salary Scale : Rs.32,195/- Consolidate pay, Accommodation not provided.

Applications should be submitted online through the link <https://www.cmch-vellore.edu/News.aspx> (under "Vacancies") on or before **February 04, 2023** for Items 5(a) and 5(b).

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

6. Jr. Cardiac Technician (Project Mode) for the Department of Cardiology (CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus)

Qualifications : B.Sc., in Cardiac Technology or B.Sc., (Sciences Subject) with PG Diploma in Cardiac Technician.

Consolidated Pay : As per the Institutional Rules.

Age Limit : Below 35 Years.

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

7. Staff III Technician for the Department of Gastroenterology

Qualifications : H.Sc, and those who have completed 4 years of experience as Technical Assistant (Project Mode) or equivalent only need to apply.

Proficiency in Multi Languages (English/ Hindi/Tamil/Bengali & Telugu) should have experience in handling Endoscopy appointments.

Only female candidates need to apply.

Salary Scale : As per the Institutional Rules. Age Limit : 35 Years.

Note : Only the above qualification on the regular mode will be accepted.

8. MCTT Gr.III for the OP Services

Qualifications : Graduate and those who have completed 4 years of experience as Jr. MCTT (Project Mode) or equivalent only need to apply.

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

Age Limit : 35 Years. Salary Scale : As per the Institutional Rules. Accommodation not Provided.

9. Jr. MRL (Project Mode) for the Department of Medical Records (CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus)

Qualifications : BMRSc. / B.Sc., Medical Records Science with good interpersonal skills and ability to communicate fluently in English, Tamil and Hindi.

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

Job Description : Candidate should work in Medical Records, OP Services in CMC Main / Ranipet Campus and other peripherals units on shift including night shift.

Age Limit : 35 Years. Consolidated Pay : As per the Institutional Rules. Accommodation not Provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system.

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

Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.

Applications will close on **January 30, 2023** for Items 6, 7, 8 and **February 06, 2023** for Item 9.