



# Christian Medical College Vellore

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*And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good,  
for those who are called according to His purpose. Romans 8:28*

### Inauguration of Centre for Guideline Development



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The **Inaugural ceremony of the Centre for Guideline Development** was held on 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2023 at New Examination Hall, Bagayam Campus. The inauguration programme started with a prayer song by the choir and a prayer by Rev. Rainard Pearson. The welcome address was offered by Dr. Priscilla Rupali, who explained the goals and activities of the centre. The centre's mission is to train healthcare professionals from institutions who are interested in developing guidelines or systematic reviews, as well as to develop evidence-based management guidelines for a variety of disease conditions for which there are currently no universally accepted guidelines. Dr. Paul Garner, Emeritus Professor, Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, was the chief guest for the occasion. He unveiled the inauguration board and gave the chief guest address. The felicitations were offered by Dr. Vikram Mathews, Director, Dr. Solomon Sathishkumar, Principal, Dr. Suceena Alexander Addl. Vice Principal, Dr. Ramasubramanian, President, Clinical Infectious Diseases Society, Dr. Gagandeep Singh, President, Indian Academy of Neurology, Dr. Taryn Young, READT-IT Director, South Africa and Dr. Joseph L Mathew,

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Professor, PGIMER Chandigarh. The programme ended with vote of thanks by Dr. Anupa Thamby, Asst. Professor, Department of Infectious Diseases

**Workshop on Systematic Review and Guideline Development** followed by the inauguration of CGD, a one-day introductory workshop was conducted on “Systematic review and guideline development” on 28<sup>th</sup> July, 2023 via hybrid mode. The objective of this workshop was to attempt to train different health care practitioners and stakeholders in systematic reviews and guideline development. Rev. Rainard Pearson started the day with a word of prayer and Dr. Priscilla Rupali welcomed the delegates present. There were more than 100 delegates attended from across India. The Centre for Guideline Development is grateful to Dr. Paul Garner, Dr. Rebecca Kuehn, Dr. Sandy Oliver, Dr. Bhagteswar, Dr. Vittoria Lutje and Dr. Marty Chaplin from the UK, Dr. Joseph L Mathew from PGIMER, Chandigarh Dr. Mohan Kamath and Dr. Priscilla Rupali from CMC Vellore for their expert teaching.





## Cochrane Systematic Reviews Workshop

The Cochrane India CMC Vellore Affiliate ran a 5-day workshop on ‘Systematic Reviews, GRADE and Evidence to Decision’ between the 21<sup>st</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> August, 2023. The workshop was inaugurated by the sponsor of the Cochrane CMC Vellore Affiliate, Dr. Solomon Sathishkumar, Principal, Ms.Saramma Kuruvilla, Chaplain, led in prayer. The workshop was attended by 64 participants from all over India. The workshop covered review questions, InSynQ, protocol development, risk of bias 2.0, Zotero, literature search, data collection, data analysis, Revman, GRADE as well as Evidence to decision. The sessions were a mix of teaching as well as practical hands-on time. A special session on OVID Medline in systematic search was also conducted. The resource faculty included Dr. Prathap Tharyan, Dr. Sathish Kumar, Dr. Mohan Kamath, Dr. Prasanna Samuel, Dr. Azariah Jebakumar, Dr. Vignesh Chandiraseharan, Mr. Madan kumar and Dr. Thambu David. The workshop was well received by the participants.



## Inaugural Advanced Trauma Life Support (ATLS) Provider Course

The Department of Trauma Surgery recently concluded the inaugural Advanced Trauma Life Support (ATLS) Provider Course, held from 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2023 to 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2023, at Christian Medical College Vellore, marking a significant milestone in the field of trauma care and medical education. This prestigious course was organised under the expert guidance of Prof. M.C. Mishra, the former Director at AIIMS and the chair of ATLS, India. The event commenced with great enthusiasm and gravitas, as Rev. Joseph inaugurated the course, setting a tone of compassion and dedication for the participants. The inauguration was honoured by the presence of Dr. Rajesh I, Medical Superintendent and Dr. Solomon Sathish Kumar, Principal both of whom provided their unwavering support and encouragement for the start of the course.

Throughout the course duration, medical professionals and students alike were immersed in a comprehensive curriculum designed to equip them with advanced trauma management skills. The success of the course was evident in the closing ceremony, where Dr. Mark Ranjan, Associate Director extended heartfelt felicitations to the dedicated faculty who selflessly shared their knowledge and expertise and to the students who exhibited unwavering commitment to improving trauma care. This inaugural ATLS Provider Course not only elevated the standards of trauma care but also established Christian Medical College Vellore, as a beacon of excellence in medical education and training. It stands as a testament to the institution’s dedication to advancing healthcare and nurturing the next generation of skilled medical professionals.



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## CME on Thyroid Disorders

The **Departments of Endocrinology and Continuing Medical Education** organised a **CME on Thyroid Disorders** on the 26<sup>th</sup> August, 2023.

Dr. Kripa Elizabeth Cherian explained how pregnancy affects thyroid function and the management of Graves' Disease in different stages of pregnancy and before conception. Dr. Dukhabandhu Naik from JIPMER, Puducherry, stressed the increased risk of atrial fibrillation and cardiovascular mortality with subclinical hyperthyroidism, summarised research evidence, and provided guidelines for managing subclinical hyperthyroidism.



Dr. Johns T. Johnson provided a clear evidence-based approach to the common problems of subclinical hypothyroidism in different clinical scenarios. Dr. Jinson Paul illustrated the management of thyroid emergencies through a series of practical case scenarios. The CME Department thanks the Department of Endocrinology, Dr. Felix Jebasingh, the moderator, the speakers and the Telemedicine team.



## Prosthetic and Orthotic Services share the information on Secondary Hospital Posting (SHP)

The Prosthetic and Orthotic Services (P&O) team from CMC Vellore recently conducted a secondary hospital posting (SHP) as part of their Bachelor in Prosthetics and Orthotics (BPO) course. The team consisted of three faculty members, two interns, and five BPO final year students. During the posting, they visited The Leprosy Mission Hospital in Naini and Faizabad.

At The Leprosy Mission Hospital in Naini, Dr. Premal Das, Executive Director of TLM, gave an orientation on various surgical interventions for leprosy rehabilitation. The team also had the opportunity to tour the hospital and learn about the prevalence and care for persons with leprosy in India. Mr. Babu, Physiotherapist and Mr. Madhan, Occupational Therapist provided further information on the services offered at TLM Naini.

In Faizabad, Mr. Bino Berry, Superintendent of TLM and Mr. Martin, Prosthetist and Orthotist, organised a five-day 'Disability Camp' in which persons with disabilities (PwD) in and around TLM Faizabad participated. The CMC P&O Team assessed each individual and fabricated various prostheses and orthoses, including Transtibial Prostheses, KAFO with height compensation Prosth Orthosis, Bilateral AFOs, Hand Splints, Trans Radial, Through Knee Prosthesis, and Silicone Partial Hand Prosthesis. The TLM Faizabad will follow up with the participants for regular therapy. We also had a community visit in TLM Faizabad and toured the vocational training centre.

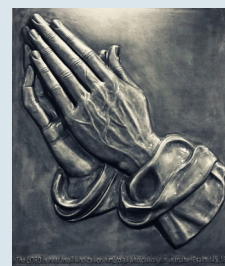
The CMC P&O team expresses gratitude towards the TLM administration for accommodating them and conducting such a live camp activity, which benefited their final-year students. They also thank the Department of Missions at CMC Vellore for connecting them with The Leprosy Mission (TLM).





September 10 - 16, 2023

**Special Prayers This Week**



**Orthopaedics :**

Dr. Thilak S. Jepegnanam and Staff  
Dr. Dan Barnabas Inja and Staff  
Dr. Anil Thomas Oommen and Staff  
Dr. Sumant Samuel and Staff  
Mrs. Anbarasy Johnson and Staff

**Hand and Leprosy Reconstructive Surgery:**

Dr. Samuel Chandrasekhara Raj and Staff  
Dr. Sheela Durai and Staff

**Malankara Jacobite Syrian Orthodox Church**

Council Members : H.G. Thomas Themotheos  
Mr. John Paul K.

**Paediatric Orthopaedics :**

Dr. Thomas Palocaren and Staff  
Mrs. Anbarasy Johnson and Staff

**Hospitals :**

MBM Mission Hospital, Kothamangalam  
St. Mary's Hospital, Manarcadu  
Mandiram Hospital, Manganam and others

**Spinal Disorders Surgery Unit :**

Dr. Rohit Amritanand and Staff  
Mrs. Anbarasy Johnson and Staff

**Memoranda**

- **Dr. Anitha Thomas**, Professor, is appointed as Head of the Department of Gynaecologic Oncology with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023 for a four-year term.
- **Dr. Anuja Abraham**, Professor, is appointed as Acting Head of Obstetrics & Gynaecology Unit-III with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023 until further notice.
- **Dr. Viji Samuel Thomson**, Professor & Head Cardiology Unit-I, is appointed as Head of the Department of Cardiology with effect from 6<sup>th</sup> September 2023 for a four-year term.
- **Dr. Chitra S**, Professor, is appointed as Head of Anaesthesia Unit-I, with effect from 16<sup>th</sup> September 2023 for a four-year term.
- **Dr. Ravikar Ralph**, Professor, is appointed as Acting Head of General Medicine Unit-I, with effect from 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023 until further notice.
- **Dr. Richa Gupta**, Professor, will continue as Head of the Department of Respiratory Medicine with effect from 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2023 for a four-year term.
- **Dr. Reuben Thomas Kurien**, Professor, is appointed as Head of Medical Gastroenterology Unit-III with effect from 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023 for a four-year term.
- **Dr. Lilly Varghese**, Professor & Head, Obstetrics & Gynaecology Unit-II & Urogynaecology, is appointed as Head of the Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023 for a four-year term.
- **Rev. Margaret Deborah J.A.**, Sr. Chaplain, is appointed as Head of Chaplaincy Department with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023 for a four-year term.



## Situations Vacant

**1. Senior Resident with MS (Orthopaedics) for the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus (Orthopaedics)**  
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://www.cmch-vellore.edu/JobVacancy.aspx?jtype=ALL> Link : "Vacancies".

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Applications will close by **September 16, 2023** for Item 1.

**2. Assistant Professor with M.Ch. (Neurosurgery) for the Department of Neurosurgery**  
Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

**3. Senior Resident / Assistant Professor with MD (Paediatrics) for the Department of Community Health (Paediatrics)**

Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as (Asst.Professor) in any NMC recognised teaching institution to apply Assistant Professor job. Accommodation Provided (Subject to Availability).

**4. Senior Resident /Assistant Professor with MD (Psychiatry) for the Department of Psychiatry (Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Unit)**

Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as (Asst.Professor) in any NMC recognised teaching institution to apply Assistant Professor job.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

**5. Senior Resident / Assistant Professor with MS (ENT) for the Department of E.N.T. Unit-I**

Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any NMC recognised teaching institution to apply Assistant Professor job.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

**6. Tutor Gr.IV with BPT (Regular Course) for the Department of PMR (Physiotherapy)**

Experience : Candidates applying for Tutor post should have completed 4 years as Physiotherapist in CMC.

Age Limit : Below 30 Years. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

**7 (a) Assistant Professor with DM (Paediatric Nephrology) (or) MD (Paediatrics) with 3 years Special Training in Paediatric Nephrology in any NMC recognised teaching institution for the Department of Paediatrics - II (Paediatric Nephrology)**

**7(b) Senior Resdient with MD (Paediatrics / DNB Paediatrics) for the Department of Paediatrics - II (Paediatric Nephrology)**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Subject to Availability).

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

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Applications will close by **September 23, 2023** for Items 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7(a) and 7(b).

**8. Occupational Therapist (Term Post) with BOT (Regular Course) for the Developmental Paediatrics Unit**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided.

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

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Applications will close by **September 25, 2023** for Item 8.



**9. Senior Research Officer (Medical)** for the **Department of Gastroenterology** **Job Code : 1490**  
Qualification : MBBS. Salary : Rs.38,150/- (Consolidated inclusive of all deductions).

Preference : Should be a Doctor familiar with field areas viz. Kaniyambadi and Vellore. Able to work in the early morning or late evening (occasionally) should have a valid two wheeler license.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode. Accommodation not Provided.

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 **September 23, 2023** for Item 9.

**10(a) Staff II Molecular Genetic / Cytogenetic Technician** for the **Department of Clinical Haematology (CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus)**

Qualifications : B.Sc., Life Science (First Class) with PG Diploma in Applied Molecular Genetic Techniques and who have four years of experience as Technical Assistant (Term Appointment) in Molecular lab or Equivalent only need to apply.

Salary Scale : 15318 - 613 – 30643 + DA & HRA as per rules. Age Limit : Below 35 years.

**10(b) Jr. Molecular Genetic / Cytogenetic Technician (Term Appointment)** for the **Department of Clinical Haematology (CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus)**

Qualifications : B.Sc., Life Science (First Class) with 2 Year PG Diploma in Applied Molecular Genetic Techniques / Cytogenetics. Consolidated Pay : 26,540/- . Age Limit : Below 35 years.

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

**11. Jr. Sterilization Technician (Term Appointment)** for the **Central Sterile Supply Department (CSSD) (Main Campus / CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus)**

Qualifications : H.Sc., with 2 Year Diploma in Hospital Sterilization Course from the recognised board.

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

Consolidated Pay : Rs.22,130/- . Age Limit : 35 Years.

**12. Jr. Speech Therapist (Term Appointment)** for the **Department of Developmental Paediatrics**

Qualifications : BASLP., / B.Sc., SLP (Preference will be given to one with experience with children).

Consolidated Pay : Rs.32,870/- . Age Limit : 35 Years. Accommodation not Provided.

Nature of Job : Assessing and offering assistance to children with speech and language disorders.

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

**13. Project Technician (External Designation – Project)** for the **Department of Neurological Sciences (CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus)**

Qualifications : B.Sc., Biological Sciences. Age Limit : 35 Years. Consolidated Pay : Rs.19,994/-.

Job Description : To work in an ICMR Project.

**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 : General - "Vacancies". **Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.** Applications will close on **September 25, 2023** for Items 10(a), 10(b), 11, 12 and 13.

**14. One Year Orientation Training Programme for Non-Technical Assistant (Trainee)** for the **Personnel Department**

Qualification : Any Graduate (Regular). Stipend : As per institutional norms. Age : 30 years and below.

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

Icon : "1 year Orientation Training Programme for NTA - Trainee"

**Note : Only regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted. Final year students are not eligible.**

**Applications should be made online. Applications through other job portals will not be considered.** Apply on or before **September 20, 2023** for Item 14.