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The Lord will keep you from all harm - he will watch over your life. Psalm 121:7

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**Mrs. Hannah Paul,** Senior Personnel Manager, superannuated on 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2022. She joined CMC in the year 1985 after completing MSW from Stella Mari's College, Chennai as Research Officer in Psychiatry Department for Standardising Eysenck's Personality Questionnaire in local vernacular. On 4<sup>th</sup> January 1988 she joined as Welfare Officer in Personnel Department. She was involved in visiting families of Group D workers in Kagithapattarai and Kaspa to create awareness on health car; conducting weekly outreach clinics and camps to drive out social evil with the help of senior faculties like Late Dr. Jonathan Raju and Dr. Roul. She initiated evening classes to reduce school dropout percentage among Group D staff's children and counselled families facing problems due to substance abuse and domestic violence associated with addiction.

CMC Staff dependants welfare society was started by her to enable families of employees to supplement their income by engaging the dependants in income generating programmes, which is running successfully till date.

She was instrumental in obtaining legal opinions for the sanction and follow up of interest free housing loan through salary deduction

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granted to around 250 group D employees initiated by Dr. L.B.M. Joseph which was further strengthened by Dr. Benjamin Pulimood, former Director of CMC. Joseph Nagar in Kaspa is named after Dr. L.B.M. Joseph by the beneficiaries of this project called Low Cost Housing Scheme for Class 4 employees, during Mr. J.K. Mathuranayagam's period.

She took charge of Personnel Department on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2009 as the 5<sup>th</sup> Personnel Manager and as the first lady to lead the department. She firmly believed in developing a motivated workforce who will be assets to the Institution. Hence, she invested lot of time in building internal drive among workers akin to the Motto and Philosophy of this Institution, keeping our Founder Dr. Ida as the role model.

By balancing law and mercy; the two main characteristics of our Lord Jesus Christ, she along with the team members turned the last stone in restoring delinquent employees back to the expected productive level of the Institution by combining counselling and disciplinary proceedings. This approach has helped the Institution during legal proceedings against terminated employees and none of the employees who were terminated during her period were given reinstatement order by the Labour courts.

She was instrumental in starting ARISE (Alcoholics Rehabilitation Initiative and Support for employees) Clinic in Personnel Department where a combination of Psychiatrist, Medical and Social Worker aim at helping Chronic alcoholics to come out of problem drinking.

She was sound in Institutional policies and practices and has helped frame guidelines for GSB Rules, revising Staff Service Rules, formulating uniform promotion policy for all appointing authorities and many such rules.

Her husband Mr. Paul James is a HR Consultant at Chennai. She is blessed with two children; son Mr. Jonathan Samuel has dedicated his life for full time Gospel work. His wife Mrs. Shalin is a Staff Nurse in Qatar. Daughter Mrs. Karen is a high school teacher in Ida Scudder School and Son-in-law Mr. Jonathan is working in Accounts Department. She is blessed with a Granddaughter by name Amanda. The Institution wishes her a long and happy retired life.

## CMC Annual Alumni Reunion 2020-2021

The Medical Alumni Reunion 2020 and 2021 were held together from August 25 to 27, 2022. About 200 alumni from various parts of the world gathered in Vellore with their families to take part in the celebrations. The following are the special batches of the year 2020 and 2021:

**Year 2020**: 1945, 1950, 1955, 1960, 1965, 1970, 1975, 1979-80, 1985 and 1990 **Year 2021**: 1946, 1951, 1956, 1961, 1966, 1971, 1976, 1981, 1986, 1991 and 1996

The whole programme of the Alumni Reunion 2020-2021 was live streamed and over 200 alumni participated via the zoom link and over 1000 viewers watched the stream of the entertainment.

On August 26, 2022, the celebrations commenced with the representatives of the special reunion batches sharing their experiences, anecdotes and wisdom with the medical students. There were some interactive activities incorporated throughout this session. The alumni who spoke included Dr. V.I. Mathan (1955), Dr. Glory Alexander (1970), Dr. Serena Jane Salis (1990), Dr. Kumar N (1996) and Dr. Kingsley Robert (1996).

This was followed by a CME session. The speakers included Dr. Monisha Esther Nongpiur (1996), Dr. Samson Sujit Kumar (1990) and Dr. Arunkumar M.J. (1985) The CME session was chaired by Dr. Suceena Alexander (Addl. Vice Principal, CMC).

The General Reunion on August 27, 2022 began with traditional tree planting and the Alumni meeting in Scudder Auditorium. The Director, Dr. J.V. Peter, the Principal, Dr. Solomon Sathishkumar and the Medical Superintendent Dr. Prasad Mathews presented updates about the work at CMC, including how CMC tided over the Covid crisis and have inaugurated the new Ranipet campus. There were also the MBBS admissions in CMC this year.

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The President of the Student's Association Mr. Arpit Sadhu welcomed the alumni on behalf of the student body and gave a brief overview about students events during and after pandemic restrictions and shared a few photographs of these events.

This was followed by a Continuing Medical Education Session and Alumni Networking Session. The alumni who spoke during the CME session included Dr. Thomas Arun Varghese (1986), Dr. Prabir kumar Chatterjee (1981) and Dr. Ira Goldsmith (1979-80).

Dr. Alka Ganesh (1965), Dr. Benny Benjamin (1966), Dr. George Cherian (1961) and Dr. Rachel Koshy (1976) spoke during the Alumni Networking Session after which there were special batch introductions and photographs. The alumni proceeded to the Men's and Women's Hostels, where the current students, along with the alumni, entertained the crowd and had lunch together.

At the Thanksgiving Service in the Scudder Auditorium, Dr. John Cherian Oommen (1979-80) shared the message. The batch of 2015 and 2016 were given the charge to serve and not to seek to be served. Dr. Abraham Joseph and Dr. Sarala Krishnamurthy from the batch of 1961 passed on the torch of light to the batch representatives of 2015 and 2016.

Later that evening, Dr. Sunitha Varghese (1996) and Dr. Sujith Varghese Thomas (1995) was honoured with the College Motto Award for her life of faith and commitment, effectively translated to one of service in the spirit of our alma mater.

There were two nights of entertainment. Friday night saw performances by the special batches for the 2020 Reunion and Saturday night had performances by the special batches for the 2021 reunion along with the Batch of 2016. Students performed on both days. The wide range of music, dances, anecdotes, skits, spoofs and ghumbals drew loud applauses from those watching in the Scudder Auditorium and online.

The Reunion 2020-2021 displayed the typical CMC spirit and showed that even with obstacles like covid, the desire to stay connected and meet are evergreen.

The videos of the Sessions (Meet The Students, CME, Alumni Networking), Thanksgiving Service, College Motto Award and the Entertainment Programmes will be in our youtube channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCoWN2pa E49ldj8IFYZ3WiQ

#### **<u>College Motto award citation:</u>**

#### COLLEGE MOTTO AWARD 2021

It is our pleasant privilege to introduce the recipients of the College Motto award for the year 2021 - Dr.Sujith Varghese Thomas & Dr. Sunitha Varghese from the MBBS batches of 1995 & 1996 respectively.

Dr. Sunitha Varghese née Henry Kannan joined Christian Medical College on July 12<sup>th</sup>, 1996. A soft-spoken girl with a sweet smile, golden voice and a heart for service; her guiding principle and vision has been: "If we are unfaithful, He (God) remains faithful; for He cannot deny who He is", as found in 2 Timothy 2:13(NLT). Her passion for missions was further fuelled by listening to Dr. Ramani Atkuri speak about the community needs in Orissa during the Community Orientation Program. In 1999, the secondary hospital visit to Asha Kiran Hospital, Lamptaput, Orissa cemented the plans for mission service in North India. Following her MBBS, she worked for two years at CSI North Kerala Mission Hospital and her subsequent interactions with Dr. John C. Oommen and Dr. Anil Cherian further inspired her fervour for mission service.

Dr. Sujith Varghese Thomas joined CMC Vellore as a member of the Batch of 1995, having committed his life as a medical missionary in a children's camp as a 11-year old boy. A visit to Asha Kiran Hospital, Lamptaput with a few of his classmates at the end of his first year convicted him and also drew his attention towards North Indian mission fields. During his years in CMC, he was actively involved in the Evangelical Union and in encouraging others in the Lord. After completing his MBBS, he worked for nearly two years as the Medical Superintendent and only doctor

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in BMP Mission Hospital in Kalahandi district in Odisha; where for a period, he also took up the roles of nurse and laboratory technician. Other than his clinical role, he was actively engaged in sharing the gospel in surrounding village communities and churches.

Sujith and Sunitha were married in 2003 and were also united in their zeal for mission service in impoverished parts of North India. Following their sponsorship obligations, they returned to their Alma Mater for postgraduate studies. Sujith completed MS in General Surgery (2004-2007) and worked for a year as Consultant in the Colorectal Surgery Department. Sunitha completed MD in Community Medicine (2005-2008) and passed out with the department gold medal. In 2008, they were 'called' to serve the Broadwell Christian Mission Hospital in Fatehpur, Uttar Pradesh where they moved as a young family with their 3-year-old daughter Soumya. They were the only doctors during the initial years and hence, were on continuous call. They faced many challenges and quickly learnt to depend on the providence of their heavenly Father. Lack of electricity was a big one, being available for only five hours every day. At extreme temperatures of 48 degrees in summer and nearly zero degrees in winter, they drew their power from Above to make things work. Dilapidated infrastructure, meagre income, small patient numbers and difficult clientele were some of the negatives they fought to make positive. They had to donate blood multiple times to patients prior to performing surgeries on them as there was no easy access to blood banks or willing blood donors. In the midst of such challenging circumstances of their first year, their son Saral was born. The delivery was conducted by the couple themselves amidst limited infrastructure. Much challenges lay ahead of them. Sujith had to travel to Kanpur several times a week for USG training while Sunitha would be the only doctor at the hospital and also covering home. This was physically and emotionally demanding. In an area notorious for dacoits, murders and kidnapping; this young family depended on the security of the Lord's angels. There were a lot of sacrifices they had to make as a family including children's education, inability to go on vacations or visit family. Once when their son fractured his femur, they had to drive 8 hours to get him to the nearest orthopaedic surgeon.

Sujith took on the administration of the hospital as Senior Administrative Officer and Medical Superintendent while actively running the Obstetric and Surgical services. He pushed himself to get additional training in Ultrasonography and Neonatology to be able to provide for the needs of the predominantly obstetric set-up and also to get skills and knowledge in endoscopy, colonoscopy, law and leadership. He also had to function as the Anaesthetist during a major part of the time there. The OPD, in-patient wards and staff apartments were either newly built or revamped and new clinical areas like NICU, ICU, modular operation theatre complex, dental, orthopaedic and physiotherapy departments were set up. As a leader, he strived to develop an environment of love, unity and harmony among the staff and patients. He also mentored several junior doctors in the art of surgery and inspired their clinical practice. He was instrumental in bringing together pastors and Christian leaders in the district for regular times of prayer and united envisioning for a spiritual revival. Along with pastors, he regularly visited and preached in village churches as well as organised spiritual meetings at the hospital grounds. They saw many people coming to the saving knowledge of Christ with the lives of many being transformed. He was conferred the Global Leadership Award from LOBA in 2019.

Sunitha actively involved herself in the strategic planning for the hospital. Her obstetric experience and skill made the hospital known for safe vaginal births after Caesarean sections and treatment of infertility. As Project Director of Community Health, she cast a large vision for Community Health in the region and encouraged and developed her team to pursue it. She started an urban health programme among the Dalits of the urban area in 2010 which greatly improved the immunisation status of children, decreased neonatal mortality rates, improved maternal health and empowered adolescent girls with adequate tools to fight gender discrimination. She was instrumental in starting livelihood workshops to teach skills, agricultural techniques and craft making to enable communities to rise above poverty. She initiated a community based mental health programme and oral cancer screening towards preventive health care for the people of Fatehpur. Sunitha spearheaded the disability program to help individuals get required assistance from the government. Ashraya, a similar initiative for disabled children was her brain child too. In 2012, Sunitha's father fell ill with terminal cancer and as she could not leave the hospital to care for him, she brought her parents to Fatehpur where he eventually passed away. This painful experience inspired her to complete a fellowship in Palliative Care and establish the first Palliative Care program in the district and one of the very few in the whole

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state of Uttar Pradesh. She joined hands with SGPGI, Lucknow to train doctors of the UP government in Basic Palliative Care. Sunitha advocated anti-tuberculosis treatment through the WHO and was invited to speak in Mexico and Canada. She also presented in New York on urban community health. She went on to be appointed as Deputy Director of the Community Health Wing of the Emmanuel Hospital Association.

In 2019, after working for 11 years in Fatehpur, Sujith and Sunitha moved to Kotagiri Medical Fellowship Hospital. Over the next two years, Sujith helped in building the surgical, sonography and endoscopy services at KMF. In 2020, he sensed a clear leading to step down from institutional medical work and engage in ministry of working amongst North Indian migrant workers in Coimbatore and Nilgiris. It was at this juncture that he felt led to pursue a Masters in Divinity. He was selected for the same on full scholarship at the Fuller's Theological Seminary, California and is presently half way through the course.

At KMF, Sunitha functioned clinically as the obstetrician and strived to build up the maternity services. She did a need assessment for Kotagiri which serves as a baseline document for community engagement at KMF. She worked in the tea estates for children with malnutrition through the Government Anganwadi program, explored non-communicable diseases and set up home-based palliative care services. Sunitha's passion for community obstetrics was answered with an opportunity to work with Prof. Gagandeep Kang in a project funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation on Pregnancy Risk Stratification in India. Currently, they follow up pregnant women in communities through antenatal, delivery and post-natal periods, collecting high-dimensional clinical and social data to help find solutions to improve maternal and neonatal mortality rates.

The family is now based in Coonoor awaiting their next divine appointment after their present engagements. Dr. Sujith Varghese Thomas and Dr. Sunitha Varghese have performed selfless service in needy parts of our country and have lived a life that exemplifies the college motto - "Not to be ministered unto but to minister." The Alumni Association of Christian Medical College Vellore is proud to present the College Motto Award for the year 2021 to them as a couple.



**MBBS Batch of 1961** 



MBBS Batch of 1965 - 1966



MBBS Batch of 1970



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MBBS Batch of 1976



MBBS Batch of 1981



MBBS Batch of 1979 - 1980



MBBS Batch of 1985



MBBS Batch of 1986



MBBS Batch of 1990



MBBS Batch of 1996



## **Skills Development Workshop for working Pharmacists**

The Department of Pharmacy has organized Skills Development Workshop for working Pharmacists on 29<sup>th</sup> July, 2022 at Jacob Chandy Hall, Paul Brand Building. More than 120 delegates working in Mission Hospitals, Railway Hospitals, Government Hospitals, Community Pharmacies actively participated in the Workshop.

The Workshop started with a word of prayer by Rev. Dr. T. Arul Dhas, Head, Department of Chaplaincy. Dr. Selvamani.B, Head, Department of Pharmacy welcomed the gathering followed by felicitations by Dr. J.V. Peter, Director, Dr. Joy Sarojini Michael, Vice Principal (AHS) and Er. David Chandran, General Superintendent.

Through the one day workshop a team of experts from CMC and outside delivered lectures and hands on training of the following topics (i) Medicines used in New Borns (ii) Principles of Topical Therapy, An overview on Medication errors and incident reporting, Adverse Drug Reactions (ADR) reporting, Asthma and inhaler Techniques, Diabetes: Insulins and injection Techniques and Basic Life Support (BLS). The main objectives of this workshop is to impart Skills to working Pharmacists in hospitals and community to provide quality Pharmacy Services to the patients. The programme required excellent feedback from the participants.



## **Three Day Programme for Staff Children**



A three day programme for staff children who have qualified in the preliminary exam for AHS courses was conducted by the personnel department. More than 80 girls and boys attended the programme. The programme was held between 3.00 pm and 4.30 pm on the 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of August. Professor T.S. Ravikumar, retired professor from the college of nursing handled the sessions. Ms. Sonia Valas, Deputy General Superintendent and Mr.Durai Jasper, General Superintendent also their inputs. Practical suggestions and tips on facing an interview were given to the the candidates on all three days.

#### September 04 -10, 2022

## **Special Prayers This Week**

#### Orthopaedics, Paediatric Orthopaedics & Spinal Disorders Surgery Unit :

- Dr. Thilak S. Jepegnanam and Staff
- Dr. Manasseh Nithyananth J. and Staff
- Dr. Anil Thomas Oommen and Staff
- Dr. Sumant Samuel and Staff
- Dr. Thomas Palocaran and Staff
- Dr. Rohit Amritanand and Staff
- Dr. Sheela Durai and Staff

Hand and Leprosy Reconstructive Surgery: Dr. Samuel Chandrasekhara Raj and Staff Ms. Mercy and Staff

Malankara Jacobite Syrian Orthodox Church Council Members: H.G. Thomas Themotheos Mr. John Paul K.

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

## Welcome

Dr. Satheesh Solomon T Selvin, Surgeon, Ophthalmology, on his return from study leave.

## **Congratulations!**

• **Dr. Vishnu A.R.,** Senior Resident and **Dr. Einstein Paul** 1<sup>st</sup> year MD Nuclear Medicine Resident were awarded 2<sup>nd</sup> price in the Quiz competition at the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Southern Chapter of Society of Nuclear Medicine India which was held in Bangalore from 13<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> August, 2022.

• The following doctors have won the Professor Dr. A. Jesudoss Medal for Rhinology in the Tamil Nadu State Annual ENT Conference - Kurinji 2022, held from 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2022 at Kodaikanal. **Dr. Shwetha A. - 1<sup>st</sup> Prize** and **Dr. Rashmi Tanya Boaz - 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize.** 

• The following candidates were successful in the Postgraduate MD / MS Examinations held in May 2022 (University results published 22.07.2022 – 03.08.2022).

**MD. Radiaton Oncology :** Binila Johnson, Don Babu Chemplavil, Ezhil Sindhanai M Parvath, Jebin Samraj, Punitha K, Rajendra Benny K, Thamizharasi S and Neethu Jose.

MD. Respiratory Medicine : Barekar Pratiksha Moshe, Danny Prasad, Sarah Ann Koshy and Savitha K.

MD. Immuno Haematology & Blood Transfusion : Akshata Pandiri, Don Davis M. and Jayasree S.S.

**MS. General Surgery :** Ajith John, Angelo Christopher, Catherine Priscilla Victor, Lallawmsanga L H, Lijin Selvens, Nishant Samuel Nanda, Preeti Baweja and Rebecca Ramya Nethala.

**MS.** OG : Johana Pearlin J, Mapitha V P, Raisa Samuel, Sonia Baby John, Aida Merin Finny, Andrew Moses, Elza Rebecca Kharsyntiew, Evelina Jane K, Gifty D, Gisy Samuel, Hana Christy T, Hima Nakka, Jasmin Pollen Sahu, Jincy Anna Iype, Monitta M, Nitin Alexander Abraham, D.D.N. Niveditha and Riba Elizabeth Varghese Jennie.

**MD. Radiodiagnosis :** Joseph Chacko Paul, Jemirajasundari B, Remya Mary Mathew, Aditya Singh, Asha Ouseph, Eablin Revena Renald, Kirti Anna Koikkara, Panneerselvam Johnselvam, Renata and Sam Christopher J.

MD. DVL : Hanna Alice Abraham, Lydia Sharon K, Paulin Sudhan and Surya Mary Mathew.

**MD. Psychiatry :** Sneha Maria Sebastian, Sivakumar P.T, Prabhujot John, Mano Rakesh K.R., Kevin Nishal J, Sasi Priya S., Kavitha T. and Neha S. Leister.

## Retirement

**Mrs. Thiruppavai V,** Sr. Sel. Gr.I Technician, Department of Clinical Virology retired on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022, after 34 years of dedicated service to the institution. She joined the Department of Clinical Virology in the year 1988. She finished Diploma in Clinical Pathology and Blood bank. Her husband Mr. S. Tirunavukarsu dealing with Ayurveda and Siddha Medicines. Her elder daughter Mrs. T. Janani is working as a Receptionist Grade-II and son-in-law Mr. S. Senthil Kumar is working as an Office Facilitator, Grade-II. Her second daughter, Ms. T. Soundarya is working as a Critical care Therapist in MICU". The CMC community is thankful for her dedicated service and commitment to the institution and wishes her God's blessings on her retired life.



#### **Obituary**

Mr. Srinivas Waran, husband of Dr. Marcia Deane Waran, MBBS Alumnus of batch of 1975 and MD Medicine batch of 1984, father of Dr. Gautam Waran, Physician, Radiation Oncology, Chittoor Campus and father-in-law of Dr. Leah Thomas, Assistant Professor of ENT, Chittoor Campus passed away on 25<sup>th</sup> August, 2022. Let us uphold the bereaved family members in our prayers. Those who would like to get in touch with Dr. Marcia may contact her by email at waranmarcia@hotmail.com



## **Situations Vacant**

#### 1(a) Senior Resident with MD (General Pathology) for the Department of General Pathology

Age Limit : <40 Years. Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Subject to Availability).

#### 1(b) Assistant Professor with MD (General Pathology) for the Department of General Pathology

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Subject to Availability). Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as Assistant Professor in any NMC recognised teaching institution.

#### 1(c) Associate Professor with MD (General Pathology) for the Department of General Pathology

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Subject to Availability). Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as Associate Professor in any NMC recognised teaching institution.

# **2.** Associate Professor with MD (Palliative Medicine) / MD (Anaesthesia with experience in Palliative Medicine) for the Department of Palliative Medicine

Experience : Should have five years of teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any NMC recognised teaching institution with 2 papers published after PG degree.

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

**3(a)** Assistant Professor with DM (Interventional Radiology) or MD / DNB (Radiology) with 3 years Special Training in Interventional Radiology (includes 2 year fellowship in CMC only) for the Department of Interventional Radiology

#### 3(b) Senior Resident with MD / DNB (Radiology) for the Department of Interventional Radiology

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

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

**4. Demonstrator (NM) (Term Post)** with **M.Sc., in Biostatistics / M.Sc., Statistics** for the **Department of Biostatistics.** Salary scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Applications to be done only through 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 **September 10, 2022** for Items 1(a), 1(b), 1(c) and **September 17, 2022** for Items 2, 3(a), 3(b) and 4.

#### 5. Invites applications for PhD Programme in Medical Biotechnology with specialization in Haematology/ Biomedical Genetics in the Department of Endocrinology affiliated to The Regional Center for Biotechnology (RCB), Faridabad.

Eligibility Criteria : M.Sc./ M.Tech in any branch of Life Sciences / M. Pharm / MBBS / MD or an equivalent degree with first Class or CGPA > 6.5 (5% relaxation for SC/ST/OBC/PwD allowed as per the GOI norms).

In addition to the above, the following qualification are preferred :

DBT / CSIR / UGC / DST-INSPIRE / ICMR / Any Government Fellowships.

Institutional fellowships may be provided to eligible candidates.

For application and Further details: http://www.cmchaematology.org/careers.php. Last date for application : September 12, 2022 for Item 5. For any queries: haemedu@cmcvellore.ac.in

#### 6. Programme Manager

#### Job Code :1447

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 **Programme Manager position to work under the project entitled "Novel Approaches to Haematological Disorders (NAHD).** 

Qualification : PhD. with minimum of 2 years / M.Sc with minimum of 5 years work experience in laboratory / project management. Salary will be commensurate with experience.

#### For application form visit https://www.cscr.res.in/research-opportunities/

Please send us the duly filled application mentioning the job code either by soft copy to **cscredu@cmcvellore.ac.in** or by hard copy to The Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore-632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **September 19, 2022** for Item 6. *Continued on Page 10* 9

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#### 7. Project Officer (IT) for the Distance Education Unit

Job Code : 1449

Project : Multimedia Project – Distance Education.Qualification : B.E., Computer Science / B. Tech IT) / MCA.Age Limit : Up to 35 Years.Salary : As per institutional rules.Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.Accommodation not provided.

Qualification and Relevant Experience : B.E., Computer Science / B. Tech IT) / MCA with relevant experience in online / blended / distance course management with minimum 1 year of work experience in an institution offering Distance Medical Education. Preference will be given to candidates with experience in administrative and technical management of online medical education courses through the learning Management System (LMS), providing support for off campus students, support in content creation for online/blended learning modules utilizing digital content creation tools, delivery of learning content through LMS, providing support in management of academic tasks related to instructional design and contextualization of blended learning medical education course students, knowledge of xAPI, storage management in cloud services such as Firebase, Student App management, troubleshooting tech queries, hosting the video conferencing on various platforms for online learning – will be preferred.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to **https://www.cmch-vellore.edu** Link : General - "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted*. Applications will close by **September 19, 2022** for Item 7.

#### 8. Asst. Respiratory Therapist (Project Mode) for the Department of Paediatric Unit - III

Qualifications : B.Sc., Respiratory Therapy / B.Sc. with PG Diploma in advanced Respiratory Therapy. *Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.* Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 Years.

#### 9. Graduate Technician (External Project) for the Department of Trauma Surgery

Qualifications : Bachelor's Degree (Preference will be given to Life Science Graduates).

Stipend : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 Years.

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 10, 2022 for Item 8 and September 19, 2022 for Item 9.

#### **10. Personnel Manager**

Qualifications : MBA (HR) or MA (PMIR / HR) or MSW (PMIR / HR) or equivalent with 15 years experience. Age Limit : Preferred between 45 and 55 Years. Salary : Will be commensurate with experience.

Job Role : Management of Staff matters under the General Services. Management of Recruitment, Placement, Assessment, Promotions, Leave Management, Disciplinary matters, Staff Legal matters, Staff Welfare, etc. Knowledge of statutory norms essential.

Please log on to : http://www.cmch-vellore.edu Link : General - "Vacancies". Icon : "Personnel Manager".

#### 11. Electrical / Environmental Engineer

Qualification : B.E. Environmental / Electrical or equivalent with minimum 15 years experience in large hospitals and / or large industrial establishments. Have experience in managing staff, contract workers, contracts, bill verification. Knowledge of statutory norms essential.

Age Limit : Preferred between 45 and 55 Years of age. Salary : Will be commensurate with experience.

**Electrical Engineer - Job Role :** Management of Power Distribution network, Lighting and Ventilation network, Lifts, Substations, Generators, Solar Panels, UPS Systems etc.

**Environmental Engineer-Job Role:** Management of STP, ETP, RO Plants, Biomedical and Solid Waste Management etc. Please log on to : http://www.cmch-vellore.edu Link : General - "Vacancies". Icon : "Engineer".

Applications should be made online. Applications through other Job Portals will not be considered. Apply on or before **September 12, 2022** for Items 10 and 11.

**12.** Schieffelin Institute of Health-Research & Leprosy Centre, Karigiri – 632 106 invites applications for the following Leave Vacancy post : Optometrist (Leave Vacancy). Qualification : B.Sc. / M.Sc. in Optometry with minimum 1 year of teaching experience. Age : Below 35 Years. Candidate can apply using Job Application available at https://leprosyhealth.org, career section and send along with scan copies of the certificates to personnel@karigiri.org. Last date for receipt of applications : September 10, 2022.

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The commands of the Lord are radiant, giving light to the eyes. Psalm 19:8

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**Mrs. Sarala Stanley,** Superintending Engineer and Head of the Department, Electrical, retired on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2022. She was the 1<sup>st</sup> Lady Engineer in CMC to have joined Electrical Department on July 1988 and has completed 34 years of dedicated service to the Institution. She was leading the Department from 2009 onwards, but was formally given the Headship during November 2020.

She had graduated in Electrical Engineering from the prestigious College of Engineering Guindy, Anna University followed by Diploma in Pollution Control, Masters in Human Resources Management, and M. Tech in Power systems. She is an active member of Tamilnadu Electrical Installation Engineers Association and Indian Institute of Plant Engineers. She went as an Observer at Royal Adelaide Hospital, Australia.

She was overseeing the Electrical works in all the CMC Campuses, namely Main Hospital Campus, Bagayam Campus, Kagithapattarai Campus, RUHSA, Chittoor Campus and partly in Ranipet Campus. She has actively contributed in establishing the Fire Department and Environmental Engineering Department. Formerly, she was in-charge of the Hospital water supply distribution system, when this service was under Electrical Department, before

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## Mrs. Sarala Stanley Retires

"The water and waste water system" got separated under Environmental Engineering Department. She has served as Assistant General Superintendent during the period of 2004 to 2008. She also served as Convenor, Fire Safety Committee. As the senior most Engineer in CMC service, she has served in many Committees like Administrative Committee, UPS Committee, Fire Safety Committee, Tender Committee etc. to name a few.

On taking up the role as Head of Campus Engineering, Town Campus, her contribution during the Covid challenge for organizing Engineering modification works and management of the flood water situation was significant and commendable. She was available for services round the clock and had a special rapport with the Electricity Board Authorities for solving power supply issues.

Her husband, Dr. Stanley Jones Karunakaran retired as Principal and Head of Tamil Department from Voorhees College, Vellore. They have 3 children, one daughter and two sons. Her daughter Mrs. Jenifer Thamizhpriya is an Engineer in Biomedical Engineering. They are blessed with a grandson.

As she is entering another phase in life, the Engineering Department in General and the Electrical Engineering Department in particular, gratefully acknowledge her contributions and wish her "All the very best".

## **World Breast Feeding Week Celebrations**



The Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology Nursing and the Department of Neonatology observed **World Breast Feeding Week** from 1<sup>st</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> August, 2022, centered on the theme "Step Up for Breast Feeding : Educate and Support". The inaugural programme was conducted in G4 South Ward. Mrs. Nirmala Manoharan, Retired Professor, CMC Vellore highlighted the importance of breast feeding during her Chief Guest's address and Mrs. Shanthi, Lactation Nurse Educator, Government Medical College, Vellore spoke on the significance of the human milk bank. Dr. Joanna, a breast feeding mother motivated other lactating mothers by sharing her experience. An awareness programme on importance of breast feeding through the traditional Villupattu and skit was conducted by the nursing staff. In the CMC Intranet, information on the importance, commonly asked questions, problems and remedies related to breast feeding were displayed.

Mrs. Mories Shankar, Nurse Manager and Mrs. Grace Mary, Lactation Nurse Educator, CMC Vellore conducted an educational programme on breast feeding and held discussions on commonly asked questions and practical tips on breast feeding. The nursing staff of OBG Nursing Department, CHAD, RUHSA and from Scudder Memorial Hospital, Ranipet were benefited from these discussions. A Flash Mob was organised to sensitize the importance of breast feeding and the final year GNM nursing students organised a Villupattu and pep-talk across the corridors of the OBG department in ISSCC building . Posters were displayed in the wards and corridors of the department;Information pamphlets were distributed to raise the awareness and group health education was conducted in the wards on various aspects related to breast feedin throughout the week. Essay and slogan competitions were conducted for the mothers admitted in the OBG wards and prizes were distributed.

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## **World Breast Feeding Week Celebrations**



## The 7<sup>th</sup> 3-Minute Thesis Competition for CMC Faculty

**The 7<sup>th</sup> 3-Minute Thesis Competition** for CMC faculty was conducted by the Clinical Epidemiology Unit (CEU) in collaboration with the University of Queensland, Australia on 6<sup>th</sup> August, 2022 . There were 15 participants from 14 departments of the institution who presented their work. Dr. Thambu David, Professor and Head of the CEU welcomed the participants and explained the rules. Participants had 3 minutes and one slide to present their work. Dr. Joy Mammen (Professor, Department of Transfusion Medicine & Immunohaematology), Dr. Mohan Kamath, (Professor, Department of Reproductive Medicine) and Dr. Prasanna Samuel, (Professor, Department of Biostatistics) were the judges.

The quality and style of the presentations were excellent. Mr. Heber Rew Bright from the Department of Pharmacy won the 1<sup>st</sup> prize, Dr. Vijayan. P from Trauma Surgery, the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize and Dr Dheeraj Kattula from Psychiatry got the 3<sup>rd</sup> prize.

The Video is available at: https://youtu.be/gJ69sORAIlk



## September 11 - 17, 2022

#### **Special Prayers This Week**

Pharmacy Service :

Dr. Selvamani B. and Staff

**Pharmacology & Clinical Pharmacology :** Dr. Sujith John Chandy and Staff

**Reynolds Memorial Hospital, Washim** Chairman : Dr. J.V. Peter Secretary : Dr. Thomas Samuel Ram Samavesam of Telugu Baptist Churches Council Members : Dr. Devaraj Voola Mrs. G. Jammuna Rani

Reformed Church in America

*Evangelical Lutheran Church in America* Council Member : Mr. Y. Franklin Ishida

## Memoranda

• **Dr. Vinay Timothy Oommen,** Professor, is appointed as Secretary, The Christian Medical College Vellore Association & Council (Council Secretary) with effect from 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2022 for a four year term.

• Dr. Dheepak Selvaraj A., Professor, is appointed as Associate Director (Ranipet Campus) with effect from 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2022 for a four year term.

• Dr. Beena Koshy, Professor, is appointed as Deputy Director (Finance) with effect from 9<sup>th</sup> September 2022 for a four year term.

• Dr. Leena R.V., Professor, is appointed as Deputy Director (Legal Affairs) with effect from 9<sup>th</sup> September 2022 for a four year term.

• Dr. Reuben Thomas Kurien, Professor, is appointed as Deputy Medical Superintendent with effect from 9<sup>th</sup> September 2022 for a four year term.

• Dr. Anita Shirley Joselyn, Professor, is appointed as Deputy Medical Superintendent with effect from 9<sup>th</sup> September 2022 for a four year term.

• Mrs. Santhi Gladson, Professor in Nursing, is appointed as Deputy Nursing Superintendent (Ranipet Campus) with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022 for a four year term.

• Dr. Shashank Lamba, Professor, is appointed as Head of the Department of Plastic Surgery and Plastic Surgery Unit-I, with effect from 8<sup>th</sup> September 2022 for a four year term.

• Dr. Thomas Samuel Ram, Professor & Head, Department of Radiation Oncology, will continue as Head of Radiation Oncology Unit-I with effect from 9<sup>th</sup> September 2022 for a four year term.

• Dr. Roy Thankachen, Professor will continue as Head of Cardiothoracic Surgery Unit-III with effect from 14<sup>th</sup> September 2022 for a four year term.

• Dr. Korah T. Kuruvilla, Professor will continue as Head of Cardiothoracic Surgery Unit-II with effect from 16<sup>th</sup> September 2022 for a four year term.

• **Dr. Samuel George Hansdak**, Professor & Head, General Medicine Unit-IV, is appointed as Head of the Department of General Medicine with effect from 16<sup>th</sup> September 2022 until further notice.

• **Dr. Vinoi George David,** Professor & Head, Nephrology Unit-I, is appointed as Head of the Department of Nephrology with effect from 17<sup>th</sup> September 2022 for a four year term.

• Dr. Santosh Varughese, Professor, will continue as Head of Nephrology Unit-II, with effect from 17<sup>th</sup> September 2022 for a four year term.

• Dr. Dan Barnabas Inja, Associate Professor, is appointed as Acting Head of Orthopaedics Unit-I with effect from 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022 until further notice.



## Retirement

**Mr. Asokan,** Sel. Gr. Training Officer on 28<sup>th</sup> July, 2022 after 37 years of service to the Institution. He Joined RUHSA Department in the year of 1986 as a Rural Community Officer and worked hard in the villages of K.V. Kuppam block. He was active and had good interpersonal relationship with the community. He was helping in projects and coordinated many training programs in the department.

Known in the community as "RUHSA Asokan" Mr. Asokan took responsibility for the RUHSA Community College for nearly four years and managed the transport unit.

His wife Mrs. Sheeba Asokan is a home maker. He has a son Mr. Jesuran who completed B.Sc. MLT in CMC and is now working as Lab Technician in JIPMER, Pondicherry.

The CMC community is thankful for his dedicated service and commitment to the institution and wishes his God's blessings on his retired life.

## **Obituaries**

• Mrs. Septima Augustine, mother-in-law of Dr. Reginald Alex, Professor of Medicine, CMC Chittoor Campus and mother of Dr. Beulah Alex (Alumnus of Dermatology, CMC 2001 batch) passed away on the 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2022.

• Mrs. Latha, mother of Ms. Priyanka, Staff Nurse, Accident and Emergency Department, passed away on 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2022.

• Mr. Rederick Solomons, father-in-law of Dr. Henry Prakash, Professor in PMR, passed away on 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2022.

Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the families in our prayers.

## **Upcoming Event**

#### WORLD PHARMACIST DAY - 25th SEP 2022

Dept. of Pharmacy Services, Christian Medical College Theme: Pharmacy united in action for a healthier world

#### **Registration**

For Participation in

Handmade Poster Design Contest On-the-spot & Creative Slogan Writing Contest On-the-spot and Quiz Competition

- Who can participate?
- Pharmacists and Pharmacy Trainees working in the Dept. of Pharmacy, CMC, Vellore.
- Last Date for registration for all the competitions: 19.09.2022, Monday, 6 p.m.
- Please note that no need to submit soft copies of poster or slogan phrases because the events are conducted on-the-spot.

#### **Organized By:**

Dept. of Pharmacy Services, Christian Medical College, Vellore – 4. Short-URL link is given below to register https://forms.gle/huUKsJtvGUQzUR9S8 [OR] scan the QR code to register and to know the guidelines

For Queries/Clarifications: Contact: Phone 2567 or 6584 Email: pharmacy@cmcvellore.ac.in / pharmtech@cmcvellore.ac.in

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## **Situations Vacant**

#### 1(a) Senior Resident with MD (General Pathology) for the Department of General Pathology

Age Limit : <40 Years. Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Subject to Availability).

#### 1(b) Assistant Professor with MD (General Pathology) for the Department of General Pathology

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Subject to Availability). Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as Assistant Professor in any NMC recognised teaching institution.

#### 1(c) Associate Professor with MD (General Pathology) for the Department of General Pathology

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Subject to Availability). Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as Associate Professor in any NMC recognised teaching institution.

# **2.** Assistant Professor with MCh (Trauma Surgery & Critical Care) for the Department of Trauma Surgery Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

#### 3. Assistant Professor with MCh (Urology) for the Department of Urology

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

## 4. Assistant Professor with DM in Neurology / Paed. Neurology for the Department of Neurological Sciences (Paediatric Neurology)

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

#### 5. Registrar (Non PG) with MBBS for the Department of (Palliative Care Medicine)

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

Applications to be done only through 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 **September 17, 2022** for Item 1(a), 1(b), 1(c) and **September 18, 2022** for Items 2, 3 and **September 19, 2022** for Items 4 and 5.

**6. Jr. Radiographer (Project Mode)** for the **Department of Radiodiagnosis, CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus** Qualifications : H.Sc. with two years CMAI Diploma in Radiodiagnosis Technology (or) B.Sc. Radiology also can apply.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 Years.

Job Description : Candidates will be posted in routine and special procedure areas including ultrasound in Main and Peripherals and will have to do shift duties.

#### 7. Staff III Speech Therapist for the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus

Qualifications : B.Sc., (Audiology / Speech & Hearing) and those who have completed 4 years of experience as (Technical Assistant / Jr. Speech Therapist) only need to apply.

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

Age Limit : Below 35 Years.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Job Description : To work in the Chittoor Campus.

## Situations Vacant

#### 8. Jr. Microbiologist (Project Mode) for the Department of Clinical Microbiology

Qualifications: B.Sc., Degree with PG Diploma in Medical Microbiology (CMAI) with experience in Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing techniques (MIC, MBD and Time Kill Assay) and PCR.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : 35 Years.

*Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.* Nature of Job : To work in the Microbiology Laboratory as Technologist.

# 8. Programmer Trainee (Project) / Asst. Programmer (Project) for Promotion & PTP Office Programmer Trainee :

B. Tech. (I.T) / B.E.(Computer Science) / MCA / MCS / MS Computer Science / M.Sc., (Computer Science). Age Limit : 30 years for Programmer Trainee.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

#### Asst. Programmer :

B. Tech., (I.T) / B.E. (Computer Science) / MCA / MCS / MS Computer Science / M.Sc., (Computer Science) with one year In- service training.

Age Limit : 35 years for Asst. Programmer.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

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

Job Description : Website development.

Requires demonstrable skills and certification in WordPress, AWS, APIs and database management, experience with various programming languages like HTML5, CSS, Javascript & PHP.

Candidates who have prior experience with programming, configuring, implementation and maintenance of WordPress sites for healthcare organizations will be given preference.

#### Note : Only the above qualification on the regular mode will be 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 26, 2022** for Items 6, 7, 8 and 9.

#### 10. Jr. Field Worker (Project Mode) for the Department of RUHSA

Qualification : Plus Two.Age Limit : 35 years and below.Consolidated Salary : As per institutional norms.

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

Please log on to **http://www.cmch-vellore.edu** Link: "Vacancies". Icon : "Jr. Field Worker".

Candidates from RUHSA local community are preferred. Apply on or before **September 26, 2022** for Item 10.

# Christian Medical College Vellore NEWSLINE SEPTEMBER 19, 2022



Righteous are you, O Lord, and your laws are right. Psalm 119-137

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**Mrs. Helen Sujatha Charles,** Professor and Head of Psychiatric Nursing Department superannuated on 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2022 after 39 years and 5 months of dedicated service in the institution. She completed her Diploma in Nursing and Midwifery in 1983 at College of Nursing, Christian Medical College Vellore. She started her career as a staff Nurse in Paediatric Ward and worked for 14 years in Paediatric Nursing Department. She has contributed effectively towards patient care at all levels from Staff Nurse to Charge Nurse. She was a compassionate Paediatric Nurse and has motivated the staff nurses to render nursing care of high quality blended with courage and compassion.

She later moved on to Psychiatric Nursing Department following her post-graduation and started her career as a Junior Lecturer in the department since 1997. She climbed up the ladder to become Professor and Head of the Department. She has contributed immensely to the department towards innovative practices in mental health services. She has been instrumental in improving the Acute Mental Health services following her training at Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Adelaide. She has been a resource person for several State, National and International Workshops /Conferences.

## Mrs. Helen Sujatha Charles Retires

She is highly respected and loved by her students. She is a proponent of integration model of nursing education and nursing service practiced in our institution. She has been an integral part of the College of Nursing family, actively contributing to the various academic and student's welfare activities. She is admired for her sense of humour and aesthetics.

Professor Helen's husband Mr. Nehemiah Charles John is a retired Assistant Head Master of Voohrees Higher Secondary School. She is blessed with daughter Mrs. Loverly Sona Charles, Nursing alumna of College of Nursing, Christian Medical College Vellore, currently working in Australia and son Mr. Anand Mathew Charles working as a Tutor in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Occupational Therapy Department, Christian Medical College Vellore. The CMC family is thankful to Mrs. Helen Sujatha Charles for her staunch service in this institution and wish her a happy, peaceful and productive retirement life.

## **FROST - Front Office Security Training Programme**

The FROST programme for security personnel was jointly framed by The Department of Hospital Management Studies and Staff Training & Development along with the Security department in the year 2018. The 2021 programme was conducted from 19<sup>th</sup> November to 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2021. Dr. Samuel N.J. David Assoc. General Superintendent and Sr. Manager (Management Studies and H.R) and Department Head delivered the welcome address. The Purpose of the training programme is to bring about a significant difference in attitude, behaviour and communication among security personnel keeping the CMC Vision, Mission and Purpose statement in mind.

Every training programme included information on CMC's history to help staff members feel a sense of connection to the organisation where they were hired. Every employee at CMC is given a thorough understanding of the organization's history, which helps them comprehend and adhere to their tasks and obligations. Pre-test was conducted to assess the existing knowledge of training.

Mr. Durai Jasper, PRO, Deputy General Superintendent (HR) (Welfare and Legal) gave a masterful narration of the history of CMC. He also said that it was the responsibility of every employee to understand the background of the organization to which they have been hired and he also spoke about the importance of interpersonal skills. In order to secure and safeguard the patients, their families, and even the staff members of the institution, it is the responsibility of the security officers to work well together as they handle diverse scenarios.

Later, the sessions were handled by Mr. Paul, Chaplain who taught the security personnel on Anger Management, Stress Management, and Self Esteem. As the patients will be communicating with the security personnel most of the time for directions and other related basic questions to the securities, it is the responsibility of every security to be patient and compassionate toward the patients. In addition, the securities need to stand for long hours and they need to adhere to shift timings.

Finally, a session by Mrs. Sonia Valas Asst. manager General Superintendent Office, Deputy General Superintendent (CSSD, Laundry) covered all aspects of soft skills with a focus on the abilities needed for every security professional, from how they must be groomed to how they must practise their work. Post Test was conducted to assess the effectiveness of the training programme.

In order to identify the shortcomings of the training programme and make improvements for future training sessions, feedback from the security staff was also gathered at the end of the programme.

# Love your neighbor – CMC Vellore responds to the Healthcare needs in Sri Lanka



An unprecedented economic crisis in Srilanka, the worst since the country gained independence in 1948, led to chronic shortage of fuel, gas and food. The healthcare sector was no exception with hospitals facing numerous problems due to shortages of medicines, supplies and fuel. For several weeks' hospitals were forced to carry out only emergency surgeries.

Various governments, organisations and individuals in response have been extending their support through donation of money and supplies.

Dr. D.C. Ambalavanar, Alumni from the MBBS Batch of '75 approached the Director of CMC Vellore to support the shortage of medical supplies. Christian Medical College Vellore also joined these efforts and has facilitated supply of essential medical items through the Deputy High Commissioner of Sri Lanka. On behalf of CMC, the consignment was handed over to the Director, Teaching Hospital Jaffna by Dr. Ambalavanar. It is the very first time that CMC has undertaken such a humanitarian exercise outside of India.

This response has reached at a crucial time. It is hoped that there will be more ways in which CMC can help and collaborate with the region in future.

## **Golden Jubliee Celebrations of Main Pharmacy Block and Alumni Meeting**

The Department of Pharmacy celebrated the Golden Jubilee celebrations of Main Pharmacy Block and conducted Alumni meeting on Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at Jacob Chandy Hall, Paul Brand Building. More than 140 Alumni and Retired Staff participated in the programme. The Golden Jubilee celebration inauguration was started with a word of prayer offered by Rev. Dr. Arul Dhas, Head, Chaplaincy, Dr. Selvamani, Head, Pharmacy Department welcomed the gathering and the Chief Guest Dr. Alice Kuruvilla, Professor & Former, Head of Pharmacy delivered Chief Guest address. She also released the Souvenir, the first copy was received by Col. Prem Kumar Martin (D.Pharm First Batch Student – 1957) and he



shared his experience and memories. Dr. Sujith Chandy, Council Secretary and Head, Pharmacology department gave his felicitation. Mr. Rajaganapathy, Deputy Secretary, Pharmacy Department proposed the vote of thanks. The Alumni members informed that they had a good practical experience and learnt many things in Pharmacy Department at CMC. They expressed that it is very useful now at their workplace.

A virtual tour of Pharmacy Department in Main campus and Pharmacy outlets in Peripheral campus (including CMC Vellore Ranipet campus) was telecasted. After the lunch Alumni meeting was conducted, the constitution was presented and the same was approved. The alumni members selected the following office bearers Mr. David Livingstone, President, Mr. Isaac Premkumar, Vice President, Mr. Mano Inbarasan, Secretary, Mrs. S.Chithra, Treasurer, Mr. Jesan Elija Rajendran, Entertainment Secretary and Executive members for Alumni Association for the biennium 2022 to 2024. The meeting was concluded with vote of thanks and prayer.



#### September 18 - 24, 2022

## **Special Prayers This Week**

CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus : Dr. Vikram Mathews and Staff

Poona Christian Medical Association Council Members : Dr. Christopher David Moses Dr. Shoba C. Moses

Hospitals : N.M. Wadia Hospital, Pune and Jalna Mission Hospital, Jalna

#### Welcome

Dr. Roshna Rose Paul, Professor, ENT Unit-V, on her return from study leave.

## **Congratulations!**

**Dr. Mathew Alexander,** Professor of Neurology had delivered the first Late Dr. GM Taori Oration organized by the Nagpur Neuro Society on 28<sup>th</sup> August 2022, at the first Annual Conference of Nagpur Neuro Society.

#### Retirement

**Mr. Benjamin Rajah**, Department of Haematology, retired on  $27^{th}$  August 2022 after 35 years of dedicated service to the institution. He had initially worked as social worker in Community Development Society (CODES), Bagayam from 1987 to July, 1993. He joined the department of Haematology as a Graduate Technician Trainee on  $2^{nd}$ August,1993.

He is one of the few staff who has been there from the beginning of the department and has played various roles as the situation demanded for the growth of the department. His willingness to take any responsibility cheerfully is exemplary, fulfilling the institutional motto "Not to be ministered unto, but to minister". His wife, Mrs. Chitra Benjamin is a retired (Voluntary Retirement Scheme (VRS) cytology technician from the Department of General Pathology, CMC. They have one daughter, Ms. Anita who is an engineer working in Flowserve, Chennai. The institution is grateful for his sincere service and prays for a blessed retired life along with his family.

The CMC community is thankful for his dedicated service and commitment to the institution and wishes him God's blessings on his retired life.

## **Obituaries**

• **Mr. Munirathinam,** retired Hospital Attendant, father of Mr. Jai Shankar, Sr. Sel. Gr.II Pharmacist, Mr. Ramachandran, Hospital Attendant, Schell Eye Hospital and Mr. M. Chandran, Hospital Attendant, 'C' Ward, passed away on 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2022.

• Mrs. Saramma Chacko, mother of Dr. Mary Purna Chacko, Professor and Head of Cytogenetics and mother-in-law of Dr. Aby Abraham, Professor and Head of Haematology Department, passed away on 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2022.

Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the families in our prayers.

## **Situations Vacant**

#### 1. Senior Resident (AP) with MS (Orthopaedics) for the Department of Spine Surgery

Preference will be given to those who have Fellowship in Spine Surgery. Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

# 2. Senior Resident / Assistant Professor with NMC-recognised postgraduate degree in M.Ch. / DNB (Neurosurgery) for the Department of Neurological Sciences (Neurosurgery)

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment. Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).





## Situations Vacant

#### 3. Senior Resident with MD (Community Medicine) for the Wellcome Research Laboratory

Preference : Candidates who have demonstrable interest in community based research on Epidemiology and interventions for enteric infections and neglected tropical diseases are preferred.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

**4.** Assistant Research Officer (NM) with M.Sc. Microbiology (Medical) /Applied Microbiology for the **Department of Clinical Virology.** Salary scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

**5. Occupational Therapist (Term Post)** with **BOT Degree (Regular Course)** for the **Department of Paediatric Orthopaedics.** Consolidated Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

#### 6. Junior Training Officer for the Department of RUHSA

Qulification : Masters in Sociology / Social Work / M.Sc. Medical Sociology / Masters in Health Management / Masters in Public Health +2 years appropriate experience (or) M.Phil in Social Sciences. Consolidated Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Applications to be done only through 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 September 23, 2022 for Item 1 and October 01, 2022 for Items 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

#### 7. Jr. Graduate Perfusionist for the Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery

Qualifications : B.Sc., with PG Diploma Cardio Pulmonary Perfusion Care Technology Course (with 1 year internship) / B.Sc., in Cardio Pulmonary Perfusion Care Technology (with 1 year internship).

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 Years.

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

Job Description : Managing Cardio Pulmonary Bypass, IABP, ECMO, taking care of Heart Lung Machine, Ventilators, Monitors and ECHO machine. On call duties involves covering ICU and OR emergencies, weekends and night duties on rotation. Training / Teaching of B.Sc., Cardio Pulmonary Perfusion Care Technology Students.

#### 8. Jr. Speech Therapist (Project Mode) for the Department of Neurological Sciences

Qualifications : BASLP., (Bachelor of Audiology & Speech Language). Candidate with knowledge of multiple linguistic skills will be prepared. Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 Years.

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

Nature of Job : Assessing patients with language dysfunsions, assessing patients for swallowing, giving speech therapy. Candidates will have to assess and manage both inpatients and outpatients.

#### 9. Staff IV Receptionist for the Department of Transfusion Medicine & Immunohaematology

Qualifications : Graduate with Good communication and multilingual skills and 4 Years as Receptionist only need to apply. Salary : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 Years.

Note : Should have at least one year of experience in Transfusion services and Blood donor recruitment. Experience certificate should be uploaded along with the online application and *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 **October 03, 2022** for Items 7, 8 and 9.

**10. Assistant Publicity and Information Officer (Asst. PIO)** under Project Mode. The project will be implemented under **Directorate** for a period of two years. The term of appointment is co-terminus with the duration of the project. Qualifications : Post-graduate degree in ICT or Mass Communication (M.Sc. / MA). Age Limit : 35 years and below. Consolidated Salary : As per institutional norms. Requires demonstrable skills in creative writing and graphic design; experience in Content Management Systems, primarily WordPress and social media management; familiarity with Adobe apps like Indesign, Photoshop and with the processes and tools (like Adobe Premier Pro) of video production.

Candidates who have prior experience producing multimedia content for healthcare organisations will be given preference. *Applications should be made online. Applications through other job portals will not be considered.* 

Please log on to http://www.cmch-vellore.eduLink: General - "Vacancies".Tab: "Assistant Publicity and Information Officer".Apply on or before October 03, 2022 for Item 10.

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My soul finds rest in God alone; my salvation comes from him. - Psalm 62:1

## Dr. Ari G. Chacko Retires



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**Obituaries** 

**Situations Vacant** 

**Dr. Ari G. Chacko,** Professor and former Head of the Department of Neurological Sciences retired on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2022 after nearly 43 years of dedicated service to the institution. Professor Ari G. Chacko is widely regarded as one of the most dynamic neurosurgeon and inspirational teacher. This is attributable to his immense passion for Neurosurgery, genuine concern for patient wellbeing and student growth. His commitment has helped to enhance the reputation of the department and institution as a center for providing care especially for the most challenging cases.

Professor Ari G. Chacko completed his undergraduate training from Christian Medical College in 1985. After having completed his bond, he joined the Department of Neurological Sciences at CMC Vellore in May 1988 as Non-PG Registrar. He subsequently completed his M.Ch. Neurosurgery in 1994.

Dr. Ari always had keen interest in teaching and research, in spite of his busy neurosurgery theatre time. His charismatic ever smiling face created a friendly atmosphere among his colleagues and residents. His office was always open to our pleas and constant doubts regarding patient care. He was patient to hear and always would

## Dr. Ari G. Chacko Retires

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come up with an easy way to solve the tough cases. His constant habit of reading and upgrading about the current literature made him what he is. He spent lot of his time visualizing the surgery virtually and he always says that we need to finish the virtual surgery the night before the main surgery. This made him perform complex surgeries at ease. He was keen on teaching and imparting knowledge to the people around him. He always encouraged the junior to develop strong communication skills so that everyone in the OR is on the same note during the surgeries. This improves the patient outcomes.

He is known for his love for fitness, he has never missed a day to jog or a chance to trek. He loves his smart watch more than his Smartphone as it gives him fitness advises and helps him track his calories. He is a great lover of music. Music by his side in OR helps him calm his nerves while operating on complex cases. He dissects into the songs and plays it till it gets registered in the hippocampus.

He is a great mentor, researcher, tree of support to all his juniors and residents. CMC. We thank him for his outstanding contributions to the institution and wish him all good for his future endeavors.

## **CME on Endocrine Causes of Hypertension**

At a CME held on 10<sup>th</sup> September, 2022, Dr. Nitin Kapoor, Professor of Endocrinology, highlighted the need to identify causes of secondary hypertension – causes that can be both curable or life threatening if undetected. Using clinical examples, he discussed endocrine causes of hypertension such as pheochromocytoma, hyperaldosteronism, Cushing's syndrome, etc., Each sub-topic was followed by a summary of "practice pearls" that are pivotal to management. Participants appreciated the lucid and practical summary of a complex subject.



## The Department of Forensic Medicine conducted - Toxic InQUIZition

The Department of Forensic Medicine and Toxicology conducted its 2<sup>nd</sup> annual undergraduate quiz **"Toxic InQUIZition"** for undergraduates and interns of all streams in CMC at New Examination Hall, Bagayam on September 3<sup>rd</sup> 2022. Dr. Vinod Abraham, Vice Principal - UG and Dr. Noel Walter, former Head of Forensic Medicine graced the occasion. A total of 17 teams participated in the Quiz.

The following teams were the Prize Winners :

- Winners : House Arryn (Anagha Nidugala S and Jangala Sai Supriya)
- **Runner-Up** : House Martell (Naveenajosepriya M and Benita Mercy Karunya B)
- Third Place : House Tyrell (Priyanjali Venkata Chode and Kakileti Mercy Theophila)





A new Employees Contributory Death Benefit Scheme was introduced by the Administration and came into effect from the 1<sup>st</sup> of March, 2022 with the approval of the CMC Council. All the confirmed employees of CMC Vellore Association, except for those who opted out, will be enrolled as members of the scheme. In the event of the death of a member while in service, the other members shall contribute through a monthly deduction. The contribution of each employees in Group A is Rs.150, Group B & C Rs.100 and Group D Rs.75 each time that an employee passes away. The payment of the contribution will be disbursed to the bank account of the nominee/dependent. The members who are on Sabbatical leave or on deputation will also continue to be a member. This scheme is Employees Contributory and is in addition to "The Vellore Medical College and Hospital Employees' Death Benefit Scheme" which already exists.

For details of the Contributory Death Benefit Scheme, refer circular dated 8<sup>th</sup> March 2022, which is available in the Staff self service of the CMC Intranet page.

#### September 25 - October 01, 2022

#### **Special Prayers This Week**

#### Staff and Students' Health Services :

Dr. Prasad Mathews K. and Staff Dr. Kanagalakshmi and Staff Mrs. Jeyalinda Christopher and Staff

#### **Outpatient Services :**

Dr. Prasad Mathews K. and Staff Dr. Felix Jebasingh and Staff Dr. Vijaykumar Aruldas and Staff Mrs. Jeyalinda Christopher and Staff

Medical Records Department : Dr. Prasad Mathews K. and Staff Dr. Vijaykumar Aruldas and Staff

Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church Catholicate of the East Council Members : HG Dr. Yuhanon Mar Diascoros Fr. M.C. Poulose

Hospital: M.O.S.C. Medical Mission Hospital, Kolencherry and others.



## **Employees Contributory Death Benefit Scheme**

## Congratulations!

• Dr. Richa Gupta, Professor and Head, Department of Respiratory Medicine, has been elected as a Governing Council Member of the Indian Chest Society for a term of two years from 2022 to 2024.

• **Dr. Santhosh N,** Associate Professor, Department of Urology won the first prize in the "Practice changing publications by YOU members" session at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Youth Conclave 2022 (organised by the Urological Society of India) at Hyderabad from 30<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2022 for the presentation "Tamsulosin and Placebo Vs Tamsulosin and Tadalafil in male Lower Urinary Tract Symptoms: A Double-blind Randomized Controlled Trial".

• **Dr. Mrinalini Peters,** MD (Paed), Department of Medical Genetics was awarded second prize for poster presentation on "Case Report: X-Linked Spondyloepiphyseal dysplasia tarda (SEDT) in two Indian brothers related to TRAPPC2 novel variant : The second molecularly confirmed family from India. "at the 19<sup>th</sup> ICMR Course on Medical Genetics and Genetic Counseling held at SGPGI, Lucknow in August 2022.

• **Dr. Jeya Lisha J,** first year postgraduate, Department of Physiology, won the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize in the PG Inter-medical Quiz Competition held along with "SHESMU - 22: CME - An Update on Hematopoietic Stem Cell" on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2022 Organised by the Institute of Physiology, Madras Medical College, Chennai, Tamil Nadu.

## **Obituaries**

• Mr. Uthamaseelan, father of Ms. Devi, Staff Nurse, C-Ward and Ms. Faridha, Staff Nurse, Operating Room passed away on 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2022.

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

• Mr. U.K. Pillai Col (Retd), father of Dr. Rahul Pillai, Associate Professor, Department of Anaesthesia and father-in-law of Dr. Priya Gangadharan passed away on 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2022.

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

## **Situations Vacant**

1. Jr. Speech Therapist (Project Mode) for the Department of Developmental Paediatrics
 Qualifications : BASLP., / B.Sc., SLP (Preference will be given to one with experience with children).
 Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years. Accommodation not provided.
 Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.
 Nature of Job : Assessing and offering assistance to children with speech and language disorders.

2. Asst. Social Worker (Project Mode) for the Medical ICU (MICU) / Medical HDU (MHDU) Qualifications: Master of Social Work (Medical and Psychiatric Social Work specialization only). Only Fresher's (Male candidates) need apply. Prior placements in Critical Care Units preferred. Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 Years. Job Description : To work in the MHDU / MICU.

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 **October 10, 2022** for Items 1 and 2.

#### 3. Non Technical Assistant (Project Mode)

Qualifications : Graduate (regular) with One year CMC training passed.

Consolidated Salary : As per institutional norms.

Preference will be given to candidates who have completed One year Graduate Training (NTA) in CMC. Please log on to **http://www.cmch-vellore.edu** Link: General - "Vacancies".

Tab: "Non Technical Assistant".

Applications should be made online. Applications through other Job Portals will not be considered.

## **Situations Vacant**

#### 4. Non-Technical Assistant for Central Command Centre - Ranipet Campus

Qualifications : Any Graduate (Regular). Age Limit : 30 Years and below.

Consolidated Salary : As per institutional norms.

Candidates should have adequate knowledge in hospital disaster management systems, quality processes, data handling and analysis, hospital accreditation standards and good communication, language skills.

Candidates with prior experience in CMC and who have one year experience / training in Quality, Safety in hospitals will be preferred.

Please log on to http://www.cmch-vellore.edu

Link: General - "Vacancies".

Tab : "Non Technical Assistant".

Applications should be made online. Applications through other Job Portals will not be considered.

**5.** Computer Terminal Operator to work in a project on Term Appointment basis. The term of appointment is co-terminus with the duration of the project. The project will be implemented under Developmental Paediatrics. The name of the project is "MF Autism Research".

Qualification : Any Graduate (Regular).

Age Limit : 30 years and below.

Consolidated Salary : As per institutional norms.

Preference will be given to the candidates who have the knowledge of basic computer skills and knowledge of Hindi (written & spoken) is a must. Knowledge of Bengali is desirable.

Please log on to http://www.cmch-vellore.edu
Link: General - "Vacancies".
Tab : "Computer Terminal Operator".
Applications should be made online. Applications through other Job Portals will not be considered.

#### 6. Jr. Administrative Assistant (Project Mode) for Quality Management & Safety Cell

Qualifications : Graduate + 1 year PGDHA / FHA / MBA / MHA or equivalent. Age Limit : 30 years and below. Salary : As per institutional norms.

Candidates should posses good communication skills, management and analysis of data, good interpersonal skill. Relevant knowledge in hospital quality and safety would be an added advantage.

Please log on to **http://www.cmch-vellore.edu** Link: General - "Vacancies". Tab: "Jr. Administrative Assistant". Applications should be made online. Applications through other Job Portals will not be considered.

Apply on or before September 29, 2022 for Items 3, 4 and October 08, 2022 for Item 5 and October 10, 2022 for Item 6.

# Christian Medical College Vellore NEWSLINE OCTOBER 03, 2022



**OCTOBER 03, 2022** 

*I will sing of the Lord's great love for ever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations. Psalm 89:1* 

## **Dr. Sony Retires**



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**Congratulations!** 

**Situations Vacant** 

Dr. Sony Asst. Physician Gr.I of the Department of Medical Genetics retired on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2022 after 14 years of dedicated service. He is a sincere, conscientious, and hard-working physician who looked after patients with care and consideration. He completed his MBBS in 1992 from Mysore Government College, MD in General Medicine (2004) from Christian Medical College, Vellore, and Post-doctoral fellowship in Endocrinology (2011) from Christian Medical College, Vellore. After completing his MBBS he worked as a Junior Medical officer from 1993 to 1994 and 1994 to 1996 in Christa Mitra Ashram Hospital, Ankola, Karnataka, and Christian Fellowship Hospital, Oddanchatram respectively. He then joined and worked in Medical ICU, Christian Medical College, Vellore from March to September 1998. After his MD in General Medicine, he worked as a consultant physician in Christian Fellowship Hospital, Oddanchatram from 2005 to 2008 and as a non PG registrar in Endocrinology from 2008.

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## **Dr. Sony Retires**

He subsequently joined the Department of Medical Genetics in 2011 and took various active roles in the molecular laboratory, in patient and outpatient's care. He was involved in various projects in Endocrinology and actively participated in field visits under the ICMR funded Alkaptonuria project in Clinical Genetics. His main interest was in the neuromuscular disorders which includes muscular dystrophies and spinocerebellar ataxia. He also participated in CMEs involving Lysosomal storage disorders and presented cases.

Dr. Sony's wife, Mrs. Alice Sony, Professor works in Maternity nursing in CMC. Their daughter, Ms. Neha Sony belongs to the batch of 2018 and is pursuing her final year MBBS. We thank him for his substantial contributions to our institution and CMC wishes him a peaceful, happy and productive retired life.

## World Patient Safety Day 2022

World Patient Safety Day is observed on the 17<sup>th</sup> of September every year by World Health Organization (WHO). The theme for this year was "Medication Safety - Medication without Harm". On the 14<sup>th</sup> of September 2022, the Department of Quality Management Cell conducted a programme in the Scudder Auditorium to commemorate this event. The programme was attended by medical students, nursing students, AHS students, faculty and students from staff training department, Department Quality Managers (DQMs), and Department Safety Advisors (DSAs). Around 320 participants including staff and students participated in the programme.

The programme began with a prayer, led by Mr. Paul Ravi Kumar, Chaplain, followed by welcome by Dr. Binila Chacko, Deputy Director (Quality). Felicitations were offered by Dr. Solomon Sathishkumar, Principal, Dr. Bala Seetharaman, Nursing Superintendent, Ms. Shandrella Immanuel, Deputy Dean and Er. David Chandran, General Superintendent.

Dr. Lallu Joseph, Quality Manager & Associate General Superintendent oriented the participants on patient safety. There were informative academic sessions which followed the orientation, focused on the topic; six *International Patient Safety Goals*.

The eminet speakers for the sessions were Dr. Priya G, Assistant professor Emergency Department, Dr. Binila Chacko, Professor MICU, Dr. Ravikar Ralph, Professor Medicine I & Clinical Toxicology, Ms. Thenmozhi Sundar Nurse Manager OR Nursing, Dr. Hema Paul Assistant Physician HICC, Ms. Sugitha Kingsly, Charge Nurse & Quality Co-ordinator from Nursing Service Office. Mr. Jacob Prabhu, Senior Pharmacist also discussed the Role of a pharmacist in medication safety.

The programme concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Lallu Joseph followed by a "Walkathon". The walkathon was organised inside the Bagayam campus with the aim to spread awareness on patient safety.

As part of the many events at the programme, an E-Quiz and E-Poster competition were organised . The winners of the competitions are given below:



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## World Patient Safety Day 2022

#### **E-Quiz winners :**

- 1<sup>st</sup>Prize : Ms. Jebagnanam Ebenezer S, Charge Nurse, H ward
- 2<sup>nd</sup>Prize : Ms. Chellam Sweetlin, Staff Nurse, Labour room
- 3rd Prize : Ms. Revathi K, Charge Nurse, Daycare OR

# **E**-poster competition on the topic : "Best practices on medication safety or patient engagement in medication safety"

- 1<sup>st</sup>Prize : **Mr. John Leeson**, Assistant Social Worker, Pulmonary Medicine
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize : Ms. Rini Wils, Nurse Manager, Surgical Nursing Department
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize : Ms. Jebagnanam Ebenezer S, Charge Nurse, H ward

#### Audience Round I- E-Quiz winners :

- 1<sup>st</sup>Prize : Ms. Chellam Sweetlin, Staff Nurse, Labour room
- 2<sup>nd</sup>Prize : Ms. Jebagnanam Ebenezer S, Charge Nurse, H ward
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize : **Ms. Esther Sumitha,** PBBSc Nursing Student, College of Nursing

#### Audience Round II- E-Quiz winners:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize : Dr. Grace Pinki, Junior Research fellow, Pulmonary Medicine 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize : Mr. Lionel Allen, Trainee Graduate, Outpatient Department

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize : **Dr. Arin Natania**, Junior Research Office, Pulmonary Medicine.



## Annual Sports Day 2022 conducted by College of Nursing CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus

The Annual Sports Meet of the College of Nursing CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus was held on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2022 at Aashraya, CMC Vellore, Chittoor. The Chief Guest for the programme was Dr. Aruna, Commissioner, Chittoor Municipal Corporation. The gathering was welcomed by Ms. Brighty Mariam Benny, Tutor and Junior Sports Advisor. The programme started with hoisting the National Flag by the Chief Guest Dr. Aruna, Commissioner, Chittoor Municipal Corporation, the College flag by Mrs. Florence Segaran, Principal, College of Nursing CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus and Olympic Flag by Dr. Bala Seetharaman, Nursing Superintendent, CMC Vellore.

The Annual Sports Day was declared open by the Chief Guest with the release of doves to symbolise peace, hope and freedom. The Chief Guest addressed the students and encouraged the students to have regular exercises along with the studies. She also appreciated the institution for organising sports events and students for their active participation. The Olympic Torch was lit by Dr. Kenny David, Associate Director, CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus followed by the inspection of the march past team. The College of Nursing Students CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus performed a spectacular march-past parade, which was led by Ms. Durga Devi, SNA Sports Chairperson. The first, second and third year Bsc Nursing students performed colourful mass drill according to their houses Pitman, Nightingale, Houghton and Taylor. Relay Race and Tug-of-war and staff sports events were conducted. Prizes were given by Dr. Kenny David, Associate Director CMC Vellore, Chittoor campus for the winners of the events conducted over the past few weeks. The individual championship was won by Ms. Lianne Elizabeth, 1<sup>st</sup> year B.Sc. Nursing student of Nightingale House. The rolling-cup for march-past was won by Pitman House and Overall Championship was bagged by Nightingale House. Ms. Annie Elizabeth, faculty and Senior Sports Advisor proposed the vote of thanks. The programme concluded with the singing of National Anthem.



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Annual Sports Day 2022 conducted by College of Nursing CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus



The 2<sup>nd</sup> National Pharmacovigilance Week

The **ADR Monitoring Centre** (**AMC**) of the Christian Medical College Vellore, under the National Coordination centre for Pharmacovigilance programme of India (PvPI), celebrated the 2<sup>nd</sup> National Pharmacovigilance week from 17<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2022. The theme for this year's programme was "Encouraging Reporting of Adverse Drug Reactions by Patients". To promote community level awareness and sensitization among health care professionals and general public, a hand drawn poster competition and short video making competition for staff, students and the general public were conducted. A total of 32 posters and eight short videos were received.



On the 21<sup>st</sup> of September 2022, Wednesday, adjacent to the ISSCC building, a stall was put up to create awareness on reporting of adverse drug reactions. The stall was inaugurated with a word of prayer by Rev. Dr. Arul Dhas, Head of Chaplaincy. Dr. Sujith J. Chandy, Head, Department of Pharmacology & Clinical Pharmacology, welcomed the gathering. The Chief Guest Dr. Selvamani, Associate Director (Finance) and Head of the Department of Pharmacy, delivered the Chief Guest address, reiterating the importance of reporting adverse drug reactions. Dr. Dincy Peter, Head, Department of Dermatology, released the personalised awareness badges to clinicians, nursing staff, pharmacists and the public, all of whom are key stakeholders for reporting adverse effects of medicines (*call 2690 for free awareness badges*). Dr. Krupa George, Assistant Professor, Clinical Toxicology Unit & Poisons Information Centre, expressed the importance of recognizing cases of poisoning due to overdose of medicines, especially so in the context of accidental poisoning. The above dignitaries and Ms. Dorothy Devakirubai, Deputy nursing superintendent distributed the prizes to the contest winners. The inauguration concluded with a vote of thanks and prayer. A demonstration of the PvPI mobile application to encourage ADR reporting was presented to the public who visited the stall. Healthcare workers, students and staff were explained different ways of reporting 4 ADRs within the hospital including via phone (#3726).

## October 02 - 08, 2022

## **Special Prayers This Week**

*Transfusion Medicine and Immunohaematology* : Dr. Dolly Rose and Staff

The Salvation Army-India South Western Territory Council Members: Colonel Gabriel I. Christian Lieut Colonel Saju Daniel

Hospital : Community Hospital, Ernakulam and Kottayam

*The Salvation Army - India Western Territory* Council Members : Major Jayanthi G. Macwan Major Devdan Kalkumbe

Hospital: Evangeline Booth Hospital, Ahmednagar and others

#### The Salvation Army - India South Eastern Territory Council Members :

Commissioner John Kumar Dasari Lt. Col. Lalbulliana Tlau

Hospital : Catherine Booth Hospital, Negercoil.

## Memorandum

• Dr. Anoop George Alex, Professor, is appointed as Acting Head of Cardiology Unit-III with effect from 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2022 until further notice.

## **Congratulations!**

• The **Department of Emergency Medicine** has successfully been accredited in accordance with the **Quality & Accreditation Institute (QAI) standards.** This exercise, initiated in August 2021, was brought to fruition through the combined efforts of the teams from Emergency Department, Quality Management Cell, Nursing Service, Medical Superintendent's Office, Pharmacy Services, HIC Office, Transport Department, Engineering Services, and Staff Training Department. On 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2022, Dr. J V. Peter handed over the certificate to Dr. K.P.P. Abhilash and congratulated the entire team for taking up this exercise.



This certificate is valid till July 2025. Congratulations to the Emergency Department team.

• The **Departments of Nephrology and Urology** are glad to inform that the Kidney Transplant Team of Christian Medical College Vellore has received Excellence Awards for both Deceased Donor Transplant Programme and Living Donor Transplant Programme in Tamil Nadu during 2021-2022 by the Transplant Authority of Tamil Nadu. The awards were presented by the Honourable Health Minister Mr. Subramanian.







## **Situations Vacant**

#### 1. Assistant Professor with DM (Medical Oncology) for the Department of Medical Oncology

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**2. Senior Resident** with **MS** (**Orthopaedics**) for the **Department of Orthopaedics Unit-II** Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**3. Senior Resident** with **M.D. (Physiology**) for the **Department of Physiology** Experience in cell culture and patch-clamp electrophysiology is desirable. Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

#### 4. Lecturer Gr.III (AH) for the Department of Neurological Sciences

Qualification : M.Sc. (Psychology) with 2 years M.Phil in Clinical Psychology. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

## **5. Senior Resident / Assistant Professor** with NMC-recognised postgraduate degree in M.Ch. / DNB (Neurosurgery) for the Department of Neurological Sciences (Neurosurgery)

(Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment). Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

# 6. Senior Resident with MDS in Prosthodontics and Crown & Bridge for the Department of Dental & Oral Surgery Unit-II

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

**7. Registrar (Non-PG)** with **MBBS** for the **Department of Paediatrics Unit-I (Well Baby Clinic)** Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Subject to Availability).

#### 8. Clinical Pharmacist Trainee for the Department of Pharmacology & Clinical Pharmacology

Qualification : Pharm D from a PCI-recognised institution with internship completed and preferably with at least a<br/>year of additional experience.Age Limit : 35 Years.Job Description : Assisting the Therapeutic Drug Monitoring (TDM) services (Medication counselling, clinical

discussions, optimally timed blood specimens), Pharmacovigilance and Medicine Use Reviews.

Stipend : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

#### 9. Senior Resident / Assistant Professor with MD (Biochemistry) for the Department of Biochemistry

Experience : No experience required for SR position. One year teaching experience as Assistant Professor in any NMC-recognised teaching institution is required for applying for the Assistant Professor position. 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 October 08, 2022 for Items 1, 2, 3, 4 and October 10, 2022 for Items 5, 6 and October 15, 2022 for Item 7 and October 20, 2022 for Item 8 and October 22, 2022 for Item 9.

# **10. Occupational Therapist (Two posts)** for the **Developmental Paediatrics Unit**Job Code : 1450Qualification : BOT.

Work description : Working with children with neurodevelopmental disorders.Salary : As per institutional rules.Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.Accommodation not provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to **http://www.cmchvellore.edu** Link : General - "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and Emails will not be accepted*. Applications will close by **October 15, 2022** for Item 10.

# Christian Medical College Vellore NEWSLINE OCTOBER 10, 2022



You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit - fruit that will last. Then the father will give you whatever you ask in my name. - John15:16

## **Thanksgiving and Commissioning Service**





The Thanksgiving and Commissioning Service for the new Director of CMC Vellore, Dr. Vikram Mathews, took place on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at the Scudder Auditorium, Bagayam. Dr. Vikram Mathews has taken over this mantle of leader ship from Dr. J.V. Peter, former Director as the 15<sup>th</sup> Director of this great institution. Dr. Vikram belongs to the MBBS batch of 1985 and he is a professor in Haematology.

This threefold service is a solemn and prestigious ceremony during which the new Director will be commissioned to take up this crucial role girded with the blessings of God and of the entire institution; an institution which has been witness to the healing ministry of Christ for the past 122 years.

## Thanksgiving and Commissioning Service



The special service consists of the Service of Thanksgiving, the Commissioning Service and the Holy Communion to reiterate the fact that everyone who serves this institution is commissioned by God to partner with him to heal the sick and lead those to the abundance of Life promised in Christ.

During the Thanksgiving Service, the community expressed their gratitude to the founder and the former directors of this institution especially to Dr. J.V. Peter and his family for the five years of leadership and for taking the institution safely through the stormy years of the pandemic.

The second part of the service, commissioned the new Director as one whom we believe is chosen by God for this stewardship in this particular Ministry. Through the commissioning of the new leader we believe that it would further enhance the witness of the church's Ministry of healing here in CMC. With the biblical practice of "laying on of hands" by the Bishop of CSI Vellore Diocese Rt. Rev. H. Sharma Nithiyanandham along with, Mr. Barkos Warjri (IAS retired) Council Chairman, Rev. Dr. T. Arul Dhas, Head of Chaplaincy, Dr. J.V. Peter, former Director and Vicar Varghese Philip, Presbyter in charge, East Parade Church; Dr. Vikram Mathews was commissioned to be the new Director of Christian Medical College Vellore.

The service concluded with the communion service in which the entire community partook to affirm their faith.

May God help Dr. Vikram Mathews as he takes on this leadership of this institution to Greater Heights to demonstrate God's love and Christ's sacrifice for the sake of the world. Amen.

## **5<sup>th</sup> International Snakebite Awareness Day**

The **5**<sup>th</sup> **International Snakebite Awareness Day,** was organized by the Poison Control Center, Department of Medicine on September 19, 2022. Month-long activities were held with the aim of increasing awareness about snakebite prevention and appropriate first aid amongst communities in and around Vellore. The Annual Snakebite Survivors' Meet was held as a virtual session for patients who had presented to CMC over the past year with snakebite envenoming. The meet is a forum for participants to share their personal experiences of dealing with the consequences of a snakebite with others who may have been similarly affected. It also provides an opportunity to reinforce snakebite prevention and appropriate first aid and importantly empower snakebite victims to be peer educators in their own communities.

An essay writing competition was organized for undergraduate and postgraduate students of Medicine, Nursing and the Allied Health Sciences, on the topic "Snakebite mitigation through the lens of One Health – An Indian perspective". The first prize was awarded to Dr. Parth Sharma (MBBS graduate, 2014), the second prize to Blessy Keren (3<sup>rd</sup> Year BSc. Nursing) and the third prize to Bilin Sebastian (Community Health Nursing).

A new addition to the activities this year was the postgraduate Inter-collegiate quiz on toxinology and snakebite mitigation – "STING". The quiz was a way to sensitize medical postgraduates to the field of toxinology. Twenty-six teams from various medical colleges participated. The chief guest was Dr. S. Raghunanthanan, (Professor and Chief, Poison Control, Training and Research Centre, Rajiv Gandhi Government General Hospital & Madras Medical College). The video "Snakes and Snakebite in Northeast" was screened highlighting the challenges of snakebite in Northeast India. The first prize was a tie between Dr. Gurumoorthy A.D and Dr. Keerthy Varman (Stanley Medical College) and Dr. Jahnawi Marathe & Dr. Manoj Jacob (CMC, Vellore). The third prize went to Dr. Pratheep Sabari R & Dr. Nivethan M from Thanjavur Medical College. Apart from the attractive prizes, the winners were given free passes to the Madras Crocodile Bank.

The International Snakebite Awareness Day was commemorated with a program which was graced by Dr. Prasad Mathews, Medical Superintendent, Dr. Solomon Sathishkumar, Principal, Dr. Bala Seetharaman, Nursing Superintendent and Rev. Dr. Arul Dhas, Head of Chaplaincy. The guests addressed the gathering, highlighting the need for various strategies to address the problem of snakebite envenoming - increasing community awareness, research to guide management strategies and improve the existing antivenom and measures to reduce the cost of snakebite treatment. A series of stalls were organized to educate the public on snakebite prevention and appropriate first aid. Hands-on demonstration of limb immobilization, puppet show, interactive games and the screening of videos in the regional languages were the methods used to create awareness.

It is hoped that these activities would play a role in creating awareness regarding snakes and snakebite prevention and appropriate first aid among the public and the medical community and be a step towards mitigating snakebite related deaths in the country.



## **International Haematology Nursing Conference 2022**

In commemoration of the Platinum Jubilee celebration of the BSc. (Nursing) Programme in College of Nursing, the Departments of Hematology Nursing and CNE & Research organized an International Hematology Nursing Conference on the theme : Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation (HSCT): Exploring global Nursing perspectives in striving towards excellence on a hybrid mode between 6<sup>th</sup> and 7th September 2022. The Chief Guest for the conference was Dr. Selva Titus Chacko, Former Dean, College of Nursing, CMC, Vellore & Dean, Gulf Medical University, Dubai whose address motivated Hematology & HSC transplant nurses to keep their knowledge abreast to provide the highest standard of care.

Padma Shri Dr. Mammen Chandy, Former Head, Department of Hematology, CMC, Vellore, President, ISBMT & Former Director, Tata Medical Centre, Kolkata was the Guest of Honor. He encouraged the nurses through his words of wisdom and expertise, calling "Nurses as the mothers of HSCT care." "A hand book on HSCT Nursing" developed by the Department of Hematology Nursing was released during the inauguration by Padma Shri Dr. Mammen Chandy. A total of four hundred and twenty participants enthusiastically attended the conference from all over the globe and were inquisitive to learn about HSCT care.



The conference had seven plenary sessions which comprehensively included all dimensions of HSCT care featuring both Indian and global perspectives, providing evidence based insights and highlighting the recent trends and challenges in HSCT. Expert resource persons delivered the sessions and were chaired by eminent medical and nursing leaders from India and abroad. The conference also was enriched by 12 oral and 17 poster scientific presentations. The prize winners were awarded with attractive prizes and certificates. The prize winners were as follows: **Oral presentation :** 

I prize : Mrs. Nadhiya G, Chemotherapy Nurse coordinator, CMC, Vellore.

II prize : Mrs. Lillian Percy Kujur, Professor (Nursing), CMC, Vellore.

III prize : Ms. Ann Bothmley, Volunteer, CMC, Vellore & Ms. Angel Mary N.J, II year M.Sc. Nursing Student, Government College of Nursing, Thiruvanathapuram, Kerala.

#### **Poster presentation :**

I prize : Mrs. Deena David, Asst. Professor (Nursing), CMC, Vellore.

II prize : Mrs. Rini Wils, M.Sc. Nursing Tutor, CMC, Vellore.

III prize : Mrs. Meenakshi Sekar, Professor (Nursing), CMC, Vellore.

An added credit was the initiation of Nurse's Wing of ISHBT (Indian Society of hematology and Blood Transfusion) during the conference. The conference concluded with Dr. Prasad Mathews, Medical Superintendent appreciating the efforts of the organizing team. The Tamil Nadu Nurses and Midwives Council awarded 10 credit points and the Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR Medical University, Chennai awarded 20 credit hours for the conference. The conference was a huge success and for sure fostered comradeship. We thank God for His enabling grace.

## MBA (HHSM) Hospital Immersion Programme

The Department of Hospital Management Studies and Staff Training and Development (HMSSTD) conducted the hospital immersion programme for the 2020 - 2022 Batch of MBA (HHSM) participants, from 5<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> September 2022. MBA in Hospital and Health Systems Management (HHSM) is a four-semester Work Integrated Learning Programme, conducted in collaboration with Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS), Pilani & Christian Medical College (CMC), Vellore. In fulfillment of the MBA (HHSM) course curriculum, a one week of hospital immersion programme component is held in Vellore during the third semester.

The hospital immersion programme began with prayer by Rev. Dr. Arul Dhas, Head, Chaplaincy. Dr. Samuel N.J. David, Sr. Manager and Head, HMSSTD welcomed the batch of MBA (HHSM) participants and *encouraged the participants to learn as much as possible during the programme so that they could be strategic leaders in the field of healthcare*. Dr. Vikram Mathews, Director Designate, addressed the students on the importance of effective management of the hospital for sustainable operations. Dr. Sowmya Satyendra, Assoc. Director (HR) also addressed the students about the need for continuous learning on the job in order to be effective healthcare providers and administrators. Dr. J.V. Peter, Director addressed the participants and highlighted the salient features of the MBA (HHSM) programme and congratulated them for choosing to pursue the course. He also highlighted his experience in pursuing a similar course from BITS.

The hospital immersion programme was attended mostly by medical doctors across the country. During the programme, sessions were conducted by various CMC staff and extramural faculty on the practical aspects of areas of Hospital and Health Systems Management, through case studies, department visits, interactions, group discussions, etc. *The programme was well appreciated by all the participants through their lively participation and candid feedback*.



## October 09 -15, 2022 Special Prayers This Week

Community Health and Development : Dr. Venkataraghava M. and Staff Dr. Vathsala Sadan and Staff

*National Council of Churches in India* Council Member : Rev. Asir Ebenezer

North Bank Baptist Christian Association Council Members : Rev. Chowaram Daimari Dr. Asolie Chase

Hospital : Baptist Christian Hospital, Tezpur.

## Memoranda

The **Department of Ophthalmology** will function as **six units** with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2022.

• Dr. Lekha Mary Abraham, Professor, will continue as Head of the Department of Ophthalmology and Ophthalmology Unit-I as per the Memorandum dated 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 2022.

• **Dr. Jeyanth Suresh Rose,** Professor, is appointed as Head of Ophthalmology Unit-II with effect from 1<sup>st</sup>October, 2022 for a four year term.

• **Dr. Sheeja Susan John**, Professor, is appointed as Head of Ophthalmology Unit-III, with effect from 1<sup>st</sup>October, 2022 for a four year term.

• **Dr. Deepa John,** Professor, is appointed as Head of Ophthalmology Unit-IV, with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2022 for a four year term.

• Dr. Satheesh Solomon T. Selvin, Professor, is appointed as Ag. Head of Ophthalmology Unit-V, with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2022 until further notice.

• **Dr. Anika Amritanand,** Surgeon / Associate Professor, is appointed as Ag. Head of Ophthalmology Unit-VI, with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2022 until further notice.

The Department of Nephrology will function as three units with effect from 15<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

• Dr. Vinoi George David, Professor, will continue as Head of the Department of Nephrology & Nephrology Unit-I as per the Memorandum dated 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2022.

• Dr. Santhosh Varughese, Professor, will continue as Head of Nephrology Unit-II as per the Memorandum dated 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2022.

• **Dr. Suceena Alexander,** Professor, is appointed as Head of Nephrology Unit-III with effect from 15<sup>th</sup>October, 2022 for a four year term.

## **Congratulations!**

• The following candidates were successful in the **Postgraduate Higher Specialty** Examination held in **August 2022 (University results published on 16.09.2022 to 21.09.2022).** 

Cardiology	: Dr. Sakthivel S, Dr. Karthik Gopinath, Dr. Selva Kumar C, Dr. Haynes Raja K,		
	Dr. Sandhya S. and Dr. Tulluru Ravi Sankar.		
Clinical Haematolo	gy: Dr. Lakshmy C.V.		
Critical Care	ritical Care : Dr. More Atul Ramchandra and Dr. Lovely Thomas.		
Endocrinology	: Dr.Krishna Prabha J, Dr.Johns T. Johnson, Dr.Pragya Gupta and Dr.Venkata Sandeep N.		

Gastroenterology : Dr. Nicholas Vijay Rao G, Dr. Sairam P.S., Dr. John Titus George, Dr. Sumanth Koppolu and Dr. Umesh K.J.



## **Sports News**

The **Staff games and sports** will be starting from the month of October. The following conveners will receive the team entries on or before **22<sup>nd</sup> October**, **2022**. They can give you further details regarding the Tournament and dates.

In cricket 6 players must be in the playing elevens with the title of the department.

Also for more details, contact Dr. Balaganesan, Physical Director, Telephone : 4478 / 9443628333

Members for the various games :

S.No	Sports	Name	Department	Tel. No
1	Athletics	Mr. Naveena Krishnan	College of Nursing	7016 / 9994023416
		Mr. Nixon Barnabas	Radiology	2822 / 9843182611
		Mr. Prakash	MCIT/MRD	9944902637
		Mr. Wilson	Electrical	9244316222
		Mr. Chindhani Selvan	MCTT/MRD	9600252499
2	Basketball	Dr. Thomas Palocaren	Paediatric Ortho II	2172 / 9894464919
		Dr. R. Balaganesan	Physical Director	4478/9443628333
3	Cricket	Mr. Mainson	Haematology	9597506244
		Mr. Srinivasan	OPD pharmacy	8825380550
		Mr. Sathyamurthy	P&O	9500291918
		Mr. Edin Decoster Lawrence	CRS	9597937010
		Mr. Nieldoss	Radiology	9843310927
4	Chess	Mr. Bharathi Raja	ISSCC Pharmacy	3212/9943023204
5	Carrom	Mr. Lazarus	Dermatology	2756/9043900411
6	Football	Mr. Sampath Paul	College Maintenance	4244/9443437824
		Mr. Praveen Raja. M	CHAD Pharmacy	9994069604
7	Hockey	Dr. R. Balaganesan	Physical Director	4478/9443628333
8	Shuttle	Mr. Vinayagaram	MS Office (CBMO)	2790/9994689563
	Badminton	Mr. Balaji	MRD	2790 / 9043072546
9	TableTennis	Mr. Selvakumar	Electrical Dept.,	9787456587
		Mr. Navcen Krishnan	College of Nursing	7016/9994023416
10	Tennis	Dr. Rohit Benjamin	Neurology	9952544872
11	Volleyball	Mr. Navena Krishnan	College of Nursing	7016/9994023416
		Mr. Allan Jebaraj	P&O	2720/9791315214

## **Upcoming Event**

Medical Undergraduate College Day	:	12 <sup>th</sup> November, 2022
Medical Baccalaureate Service	:	13 <sup>th</sup> November, 2022
Medical Undergraduate & Postgraduate Graduation	:	14 <sup>th</sup> November, 2022
Allied Health Sciences Baccalaureate Service	:	20 <sup>th</sup> November, 2022
Allied Health Sciences Graduation	:	21 <sup>st</sup> November, 2022

#### • 61st Early Management of Trauma Course (EMTC) for Doctors & Nurses.

The course is scheduled for 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> November 2022. 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.6,500/-. For further details contact. Mr. Senthil Kumar, Secretary, Department of Emergency Medicine - Phone No.2225.

Note: Registration will not be entertained after 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2022.

## Obituary

**Mr. Arul Jeba Sundara Moni,** father of Ms. Selva Babitha, Staff Nurse in E-Ward passed away on 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2022. Let us uphold his daughters and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

## Notice

#### • Admission Notice for the year 2022-2023 - Balavihar Play Group

Admission to Balavihar Play Group for the year 2022-2023 is open. Application form can be collected from Balavihar Kids Corner. The filled in form can be submitted to Balavihar Kids Corner from 10<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022 between 1.00 pm to 4.00 pm.

## Kindly attach the photocopy of the child's birth certificate and salary slip along with the application form.

**Eligibility Criteria** : Children of CMCH staff, who has completed 1½ years by 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2022 are eligible to apply. Priority will be given to children residing in the CMC Campus. Parents residing in the CMC Campus whose child will complete 1½ years by 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 and would like to admit their child also must apply now.

• The **Department of Bioethics and Distance Education Unit** as well as **The Centre for Bioethics (TCB)**, New Delhi are planning to start admissions for the second batch of students for the Post Graduate Diploma in Christian Bioethics (PGDCBE), a two year distance programme from this academic year onwards.

#### **CMC TCB PGDBCE 2022**

Admission for the second batch of Post Graduate Diploma in Christian Bioethics (PGDCBE) two year distance education course offered in collaboration with The Centre for Bioethics (TCB), New Delhi and Christian Medical College (CMC), Vellore is open. The programme details and application are available at **www.cmch-vellore.edu?Newsroom?Courses and Admissions.** Applications are open till **31**<sup>st</sup> **October, 2022.** 

## **Situations Vacant**

## 1. Senior Resident / Assistant Professor with MD (Paediatrics) for the Department of Paediatrics Unit – II (Paediatric Nephrology)

(Preference will be given to candidates who have training in Paediatric Nephrology). Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as Assistant Professor in any NMC recognised teaching institution is required for applying for the Assistant Professor position. Age Limit : <40 years. Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

#### 2. Senior Resident with MS (ENT) for the Department of E.N.T. Unit-I

Preferably with 3 years of experience. 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 **October 15, 2022** for Item 1 **October 22, 2022** for Item 2.

## **3. Jr. Graduate Medical Lab Technician (Project Mode)** and **Jr. Histopathology Technician (Project Mode)** for the **Department of General Pathology** for **CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus**

Jr. Graduate Medical Lab Technician (Project Mode). Qualifications : B.Sc. MLT.

#### Jr. Histopathology Technician.

Qualifications : Graduate in Life Science with PG Diploma in Histopathology.

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

Age Limit : 35 Years. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Nature of Job : Histopathology – Tissue processing, Section cutting and staining.

## **Situations Vacant**

#### 4. Call Centre Operators (External - Project) for the Department of Community Health

Qualifications : Graduate (Preference will be given for those candidate with good communication skills in English, Tamil and Basic Computer Skills).

Note : Only from Recognized University / Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence willbe not accepted.Age Limit : 35 Years.Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

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 **October 24, 2022** for Items 3 and 4.

#### 5. Non Technical Assistant (Project Mode)

Qualifications : Any Graduate (regular) with One year CMC training passed. Consolidated Salary : As per institutional norms.

## Candidates who have completed One Year Orientation Training Programme for Graduate Trainee (NTA) only need apply.

Please log on to **http://www.cmch-vellore.edu** Link : General - "Vacancies". Tab: "Non Technical Assistant".

Applications should be made online. Applications through other Job Portals will not be considered. Apply on or before **October 14, 2022** for Item 5.

**6. One Year Orientation Training Programme** for **Non-Technical Assistant (NTA)** Qualifications : Graduate (Regular Course). Age : 30 Years. Consolidated Stipend : As per institutional norms.

Please log on to http://www.cmch-vellore.edu

Link: General - "Vacancies". Tab : "One Year Orientation Training Programme for NTA ".

**7. Management Assistant** for **Hospital Management Studies & Staff Training Department (Project Mode)** Qualification : Graduate / B.E. / B.Tech / MBBS + MBA - Finance, HR, HA, MM / MHA / M.Phil HHSM / PGDM/ PGDBA / PGDPM / PGDPM & IR 2 years full time course - approved by AICTE & certified by AIU as equivalent to MBA and 2 years experience.

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

Preference will be given to those with academic mindset, teaching experience and relevant experience in health sector. Good congnitive, communication and computer skills are a must.

Please log on to **http://www.cmch-vellore.edu** Link: General - "Vacancies". Tab : "Management Assistant".

#### 8. Management Assistant (Project Mode) for Food & Beverages Section

Qualification : Graduate / B.E. / B.Tech / MBBS + MBA - Finance, HR, HA, MM / MHA / M.Phil (HHSM) / PGDM / PGDBA / PGDPM / PGDPM & IR 2 years full time course - approved by AICTE & certified by AIU as equivalent to MBA and 2 years experience.

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

Preference will be given to those with relevant experience in hospitality / food and beverages management in the health sector. Good congnitive, communication and computer skills are a must.

Please log on to **http://www.cmch-vellore.edu** Link: General - "Vacancies". Tab : "Management Assistant".

Applications should be made online. Applications through other Job Portals will not be considered. Apply on or before **October 20, 2022** for Item 6 and **October 24, 2022** for Items 7 and 8.



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## SHILOH 2022

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**SHILOH 2022,** The Annual Students' Mission conference was held in Hybrid mode (physical and virtual ) from 29<sup>th</sup> September to 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2022. The theme this year was "Not to be Served, but to Serve" based on Mark 10:45. Given the context of post pandemic transitions, within and outside the institution, the theme revisited and encouraged reflections on the Servant Leadership of Jesus and what we stand for as an institution in the current mileu.

Shiloh is a movement that provides students from different health care disciplines a glimpse of Christian healthcare in India, and inspire and develop leaders in the mission fields. This year, there were about 1300 registrations with more than 900 attending on-site and the rest joining virtually.

The Plenary speakers were Dr. Cijoy Kuriakose (Christian Fellowship Hospital, Oddanchhatram), Mr. Mohan Patnaik (Lead Like Jesus) and Dr. Arul Anketel (Healthcare Christian Fellowship International), who expounded on the theme from the Word of God and gave deep insights on finding our purpose in light of the theme, and understanding on the motivation and mission of serving in the spirit of Christ.

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There were international participants who benefited from this year's Shiloh. Alumni from Australia, United Kingdom, United States of America and other parts of the world registered and took time to be part of SHILOH virtually.

The Mission presentations by representatives from various mission hospitals and organizations, both from within the country and abroad, gave an insight of their work and the transformational impact. The talks challenged all and sensitized to opportunities to serve in areas of need. The need is huge across the country and many mission hospitals are in various levels of challenging situations. These sessions gave an understanding of the labor of love in various places as well as a call to revive the struggling ones or pioneer in new areas as mentioned in Genesis 26:18 "And Isaac dug again the wells of water which they had dug in the days of Abraham his father..."

One of the highlights of Shiloh is the John Scudder Oration, instituted in memory of Rev. Dr. John Scudder I, grandfather of Dr. Ida Scudder and the first American medical missionary to serve in Ceylon and in India. This year, the oration was delivered by Dr. Latha Paul, a postgraduate alumnus from Christian Medical College, Vellore, who has committed her life to missions for nearly four decades. She is recognised for her medical work in Oddanchatram, Jammu & Kashmir, the Maldives, and Africa, and is currently involved in reviving Subbamma Mission Hospital in Moripodu, Andhra Pradesh. The oration was passionate, inspirational and inspired everyone to listen and obey the voice of God in all decision making.

Dr. Vikram Mathews, our newly appointed Director of CMC Vellore addressed the gathering and urged for the need to form niduses of transformation in the mission hospitals to spearhead compassionate care and development in areas of need.

The Group Discussions gave an opportunity for participants to interact with the speakers and provided time for reflection. The young participants were stimulated to introspect on the theme and understand its implication as they plan forward.

Breakout sessions led by Duke Jeyaraj from G4 mission, Charles Premkumar from Reasons to Believe, Netheileng Kom IAS officer from Govt of Manipur, Dr. Anil & Shalini from South Sudan, Saline Taster, Starlin Vijay from Makunda Hospital, Arpit Mathew from Madhepura Hospital, Robert Kumar and team from Herbertpur, session with Dental students gave the opportunity to understand various dynamics involved in serving God in different contexts and to address issues faced by young individuals.

The Bible quiz organized by quiz masters, Dr. Justin Benjamin and Dr. Jija Justin onsite, and Dr. Audrin Lenin and Dr. Adeline Sitther for online participants, was an engaging experience. The quizzes challenged all to read God's word more carefully. This time the portion for the Quiz was the four Gospels and the Book of Acts.

Meaningful sessions of praise and worship were led by the choir comprised of medical, nursing, allied health students and staff. Stalls were put up by 18 different organizations and mission hospitals to interact and connect with students and highlight their activities in different regions of the country.

The Music Night was led by the Sishya team and the participants had an engaging time of praising God, followed by a challenging message by Ashok Vedanayagam. The Sunday service was led by Rev. Pearson and was followed by the question and answers time with the panel of speakers moderated by Arun Zachariah.

PG SHILOH too was held as a hybrid program on Sunday afternoon, 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2022. There were nearly 100 participants who attended it physically and an additional 50 connected virtually. Drs. Anil and Shalini Cherian from South Sudan, Mr. Bino Berry and Dr. Accurate Mercy from The Leprosy Mission Faizabad and Dr. Raj Kumar Songa were the resource people for this programme. It was a time of fellowship and a reminder of how God brings about transformation in remote places through people who were yielded to him.

SHILOH again proved to be an opportunity for members of the CMC community to voluntarily come together and work in conjunction with partner organizations (Christian Medical Association of India, Emmanuel Hospital Association, The Leprosy Mission Trust India, Evangelical Medical Fellowship of India) for the glory of God. We are thankful to the alumni and various well-wishers and supporters for being part of this effort through their prayers and contributions.

It was a time of connecting students and leaders in the mission field, where many have been inspired and challenged to respond to God's calling.

## **SHILOH 2022**

#### Tamil SHILOH - 2022

The SHILOH (Tamil) for the CMC staff was held between 11<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at the Main Hospital Chapel. The guest speaker for this year was Rev. Dr. E.L. Mathansingh, Founder & Director of Thy Grace Equipping Academy, Vellore, is involved in Bible teaching and training.

More than 500 staff enthusiastically participated each day and were blessed through the word of God. 'The story of a family' in Luke 16:19-31, 'A strange meeting' - Mark 5:1-20 and 'A man who made use of the opportunity' from Luke 19:1-10 were the biblical passages. It was inspiring and many made meaningful decisions during the three-day event.

Dr. Vikram Mathews, Director, CMC, Dr. Thomas Samuel Ram, Associate Director (Missions) and Er. David Chandran, the General Superintendent were present and encouraged the staff to contribute towards the vision and mission of Christian Medical College, Vellore and to be part of the healing ministry of Christ.









## 23<sup>rd</sup> National Conference of IAES - IAESCON 2022

The 23<sup>rd</sup> National conference of the Indian Association of Endocrine Surgeons was conducted at Christian Medical College, Vellore at the Bagayam Campus on 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> September 2022. This two-day conference was preceded by a hands-on pre-conference workshop on 15<sup>th</sup> September 2022. The pre-conference workshop was attended by more than 40 delegates and was conducted by faculty from CMC Vellore and invited faculty. The morning session of the pre-conference workshop had interactive lectures from the departments of Radiology, Endocrinology and Nuclear Medicine on topics pertinent to the endocrine surgeons and give an insight on recent advances related to their specialities.

This was followed by a workshop with the focus on surgeon performed ultrasound, ultrasound guided fine needle aspiration cytology (FNAC), live cytology staining and demonstration, anatomy using plastinated head and neck models and hands-on ultrasound guided FNAC and vacuum assisted biopsy on tissue specimens. The response to this session was very good and all the delegates lauded the theory to practical transition experience that this session provided.

The afternoon session by senior retired faculty started with talks from Dr. Aravindan Nair, Dr. Anurag Srivastav and Dr. Ranil Fernando in the 'Care to Share' session who talked about their career experience sharing pearls of wisdom. The highlight of the day was the cadaveric dissection in anatomy dissection hall for neck anatomy, transoral mental nerve anatomy and retroperitoneal adrenalectomy access which drew a huge response and was appreciapted by everyone who attended.

This was followed by a session on operative videos from experts and case based discussion for under-grauate students who presented 2 cases and had a exam oriented discussion for these cases.

The 1st day of the National conference of IAESCON 2022 started with blessings from Padmashree Prof S Vittalfounding president of IAES. There were a series of interesting case based discussions presented by budding endocrine surgeons and opinions from seniors were sought. 'What is New' in the field of endocrine surgery was discussed in the next session followed by orations from eminent faculty. The Prof. S Vittal Oration"Parathyroid detection by infrared flurorescence" was delivered by Dr. Frederic Triponez, Prof and Head, Dept. of Thoracic and Endocrine Surgery, University Hospital, Geneva via a recorded presentation and he was present live online to interact with the delegates. The KD Verma Oration was delivered by Dr. Deepak Abraham, Prof of Endocrine Surgery, CMC Vellore and he spoke on 'Pracitising the art and science of medicne as a calling'. The Presidential oration "Trends in Endocrine Surgery" was given by Dr. Kailash Mohapatra, Prof of Surgery, SCB Medical Collage Cuttack and current President of Indian Association of Endocrine Surgeons.



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The innovate IAESCON Chennai 2009 quiz hosted by IAES secretary Dr. Sabaretnam was very informative and brought a cheer and smile to all. The quiz winners were Dr. Antarip Bhattacharya and Dr. Aadarsh Raghavan.

Prof. Jothi Ramalingam Best Paper award saw 6 papers of high quality being presented and intensily discussed. The final winner was adjudged as Dr. Rizhin Sooraj from KGMU, Lucknow.

The panel discussion on safe thyroid surgery had experienced surgeons from different parts of India sharing their experiences and tips and tricks they have learnt in performing safe total thyroidectomy. Prof James Lee from the Monash University, Melbourne and Dr. Kithsiri Senanayake from SriLanka spoke on the Evolution of thyroid surgery and Normocalcemic hyperparathyroidism respectively in the special plenary lectures, both being present via zoom to answer questions from the delegates.

The inaugural function of IAESCON 2022 was graced by Dr. Kenny David, Associate Director CMC, Vellore, Dr. Prasad Mathew, Medical Superintendent, CMC Vellore, Dr. Solomon Satish Kumar, Principal, CMC Vellore, Dr. Kailash Mohapatra, Hon President, IAES, Dr. M. Sabaretnam, Hon. Secretary, IAES, Dr. MJ Paul, Organizing

Chairman and Dr. Shawn Thomas, Organizing Secretary, IAESCON 2022. The inaugural function witnessed the release of the IAES textbook of Endocrine Surgery and the IJSER Association Journal, which had received google indexing and was progressing toward medical indexing. The general body of IAESCON 2022 was held at the same premises after the session and was attended by well over 50 members.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> day of IAESCON 2022 started with Endocrine Lectures on a myriad of topics such as well differentiated thyroid cancers, locally advanced thyroid cancers and parathyroid incidentalomas. State of the art management of medullary thyroid carcinoma was presented as a special lecture by Dr. Amit Agarwal. Debates were the centre stage of the 2<sup>nd</sup> day and saw intense discussion and rebuttal from both parties in the debate.

A comprehensive case-based discussion on the role of spine surgery in thyroid cancer, external beam radiation therapy and systemic therapy in thyroid cancers and genomics in thyroid cancer was delivered by faculty from these departments from within CMC. The last session was a comprehensive master video session which included videos from the basic endocrine surgery procedures to the very advanced robotic thyroid surgeries and was followed by the valedictory function.

IAESCON 2022 was complimented by one and all for its punctuality, focus on inclusiveness, multi-modality discussions for endocrine disorders and the new information shared in the wide range of topics discussed.



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Faculty-Alumni Meet orginised by the Division of Gastrointestinal Sciences

**The Division of Gastrointestinal Sciences held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Faculty-Alumni Meet on 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2022** at Ranipet Campus. The milestones of 50 years of Gastroenterology Outpatient Clinic and 10 years of DM Hepatology and Advanced Endoscopy Fellowship training courses were celebrated in addition to inauguration of the new clinical facility. The Director, Medical Superintendent and Principal offered their felicitations at the inauguration. This function was made special by the presence of a donor family to Ranipet campus, in memory of their late son. Senior Faculty-Alumni, who among them included former Directors, Medical Superintendents, Principal and General Superintendent, were felicitated. They shared their experience of and vision for the cohesive evolution of clinical and research arms of GI Sciences. A total of 72 faculty and alumni participated. The academic session was followed by a time of reminiscences, discussion on the way forward and rounded off by meeting the current DM students and dinner at Eden Gardens, Bagayam Campus.

The next day, at the Quality Circle, Dr. V.I. Mathan, former Director and Head, GI Sciences, spoke about the "Seven Generations of CMC".

This was followed by Tamil Nadu Chapter of the Indian Society of Gastroenterology midterm meet, hosted by the Depts' of Gastroenterology and Hepatology. Aimed to maximize student involvement, 145 delegates attended. A highlight was the Drs. Minnie and V.I. Mathan Oration, delivered by Prof. Abhijit Chowdhury, Head, Indian Institute of Liver and Digestive Sciences, Kolkata on the topic "Liver Diseases and Population Health: The Metabolic Interface". DM Registrars from CMC Vellore, Dr. Vijay Balaji and Dr. Amruthavarshini N. won first place in the Gastroenterology and Hepatology poster section respectively. The first prize in the Quiz was bagged by Dr. Krishna Bharadwaj and Dr. Hemanth Chintala while the second prize went to Dr. Vijay Balaji.

These two events marked the first major conferences held at the CMC Vellore Ranipet Campus.



## Department of Palliative Medicine conducted the World Palliative and Hospice Day

**The World Palliative and Hospice Day was commemorated on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2022.** The theme for the year 2022 is 'Healing Hearts and Communities'. The Department of Palliative Medicine conducted an academic session on "How can I support my suffering patient? - Tender compassionate conversations" on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022. The session was inaugurated by our Director Dr Vikram Mathews who highlighted the need to see every patient entering the hospital premises as a 'person' and not just by a 'bed number' or 'diagnosis'. We had two eminent faculties to teach in this session; Dr. Mhoira Leng a UK trained specialist palliative care physician who brought in her experience and expertise of working in and advocating palliative care over 30 years in 4 continents and Dr. Chitra Venkateswaran, Professor in Psychiatry and Palliative Care at Believers Church Medical College Hospital, Thiruvalla, Kerala and Founder / Clinical Director, Mehac Foundation.

The session had 67 participants including, doctors, nurses, chaplains, social workers and counselors. The session highlighted the importance of 'tender compassionate conversations' as an essential part of health care delivery. It was an interactive teaching learning session with role play; discussion and question answer time where participants could bring up real life challenges in handling difficult questions/ situations in patient care. The session highlighted the challenges in caring for suffering patients which affected not just the physical but psychological, social and spiritual domains. The importance of self-care for health care professionals to continue to provide compassionate care was emphasized. Participants appreciated the usefulness of the session and expressed need for such sessions for all health care professionals. We are grateful to God for His help.



## Survivor Meet 2022

The Department of Gynaecologic Oncology celebrated their Survivors Meet 2022 on 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2022 with the theme "Empowered to Encourage". Hailing from different strata, they all came together to share stories of how they overcame the disease and survived to tell their experiences. Inspiring others, this group had a fun time along with informative sessions, as friends and families of our cancer survivors celebrated their spirit to overcome their struggle by the strength and determination God had provided them. Survivors Meet is a celebration for those who have survived cancer and gone on to become beacons of Inspiration for others. The event had talks on Survivorship, Radiation therapy, Chemotherapy, a panel discussion on the day to day issues faced by gynae-cancer patients by the Palliative Care Department, the importance of a well-balanced diet for a cancer patient by the Dietary department. The PMR team had the audience smiling and dancing along with them for a time of exercise and fitness. The skilful ward staff enacted a very practical skit with a meaningful message to show how our survivors are empowered to encourage others, the stoma care staff had the audience engrossed with their Puppet show. The Dietary department, Ward staff and the Stoma care staff had stalls presenting their exhibits. The survivor talks that were interspersed between these sessions were touching, thoughtful and encouraging to everyone. One of the survivors who attended said "I enjoyed this meeting. Many such Survivor meets should be conducted to help survivors celebrate their life and generate awareness about the disease".



### October 16 - 22, 2022

## **Special Prayers This Week**

#### Psychiatry :

Dr. Suja Kurian and Staff Dr. Thangadurai P. and Stafff Dr. Donae Elizabeth George and Staff Dr. Arun R. and Staff Dr. Priya Mary Mammen and Staff Dr. Manoranjitham Sathiyaseelan and Staff

#### Radiotherapy :

Dr. Thomas Samuel Ram and Staff Dr. Rajesh I. and Staff Dr. Rajesh B. and Staff Mrs. Roseline Rhenius and Staff *Nuclear Medicine* : Dr. Juli Hephzibah and Staff

*Head & Neck Surgery* : Dr. Rajiv C. Michael and Staff Dr. Amit Jiwan Tirkey and Staff

Palliative Care : Dr. Jenifer Jeba S. and Staff Mrs. Roseline Rhenius and Staff

Marthoma Syrian Church of Malabar

Council Members : Rt. Rev. Dr. Mathews Mar Makarios Episcopa Rev. Shibu Samuel Hospitals : Fellowship Mission Hospital, Kumbanad Marthoma Mission Hospital, Chungathara and others.

## Welcome

Dr. Harshjeet Singh Bal, Professor, Paediatric Surgery, on his return from study leave.

### Memorandum

• Dr. John Jose E, Professor, is appointed as Head of Cardiology Unit-II with effect from 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2022 for a four year term.

## **Congratulations!**

• Dr. Lisa Mary Cherian, Associate Professor, ENT Unit-III, won the Bronze Medal in the Senior Consultant award category for oral presentation at "12<sup>th</sup> Annual Research Day" on 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2022.

• The following candidates were successful in the **Postgraduate Higher Specialty** Examination held in **August 2022 (University results published on 16.09.2022 to 21.09.2022).** 

Hepatology: Dr. Sandeep Kumar and Dr. Vijay Alexander.Infectious Diseases: Dr. Prasannakumar P. and Dr. Kundakarla Bhanu Prasad.Nephrology: Dr. Jayaprakash T, Dr. Utkarash Mishra, Dr. Ankit Jain and Dr. Chilaka Rajesh.Neurology: Dr. I. Srija, Dr. Kancha Naresh and Dr. Koneru Vamsikrishna.Paediatric Neurology: Dr. Joshi Shridhar Popbhai and Dr. Narmadham K.B.Pulmonary MedicineDr. Arya Gopi and Dr. Lakshminarayana Jasti.Rheumatology: Dr. Avanish Jha, Dr. Chandhu A.S.,Dr. Abhilasha Arvind Manwatkar and Dr. Prabhu V.Cardio Vascular & Thoracic Surgery : Dr. Mallampati Sameer and Dr. Aamir Mohammad.Endocrine Surgery: Dr. Shreya Surendra.

## **Obituaries**

• Mr. T. Kirubanandan, Artisan, Civil Engineering Department father of Mr. Subash, Anaesthesia Technician and Miss. Indra, Staff Nurse, O Block, passed away on 9<sup>th</sup> October, 2022.

Let us uphold his wife, son, daughter and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• Mr. Joseph Wilfred, retired Senior Radiographer, Department of Radiology, passed away on 9<sup>th</sup> October, 2022.

Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Mary Rathna, daughters Mrs. Christina, former Occupational Therapist, Mrs. Jemima, former Respiratory Therapist and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• Mr. Manavalan S., father of Mrs. Parimala, Staff Nurse in Q2-Ward, Mrs. Mercy, Staff Nurse in P1 Ward, passed away on 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2022.

Let us uphold his daughters and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.



## **Situations Vacant**

#### 1. Senior Resident / Assistant Professor with MD /MS /DNB (Obst. & Gynae.) for the Department of RUHSA

Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as Assistant Professor in any NMC recognised teaching institution for applying Assistant Professor Job.

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment. Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

**2. Junior Lecturer (NM)** with **Ph.D. in Viral related subjects** for the **Department of Clinical Virology** Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

**3. Senior Resident** with **MD Paediatrics / DNB Paediatrics** for the **Department of Neonatology** (Those who have 2 years experience in neonatology will be preferred).

(Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment). Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

# **4.** Assistant Professor with DM (Medical Oncology) / MD (Medicine / Radiation Oncology / Paediatrics) with **2 years of continuous experience in Medical Oncology** for the **Department of Medical Oncology** 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". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted*. Applications will close by October 22, 2022 for Item 1 and October 29, 2022 Items 2, 3 and 4.

**5. Jr. Anaesthesia Technician (Project Mode)** for the **Department of Anaesthesia** for **CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus** Qualification : B.Sc., (Operation Theatre and Anaesthesia Technology 3 year course + 1 year Internship) (or) Diploma in Anaesthesia Technology (2 year course + 1 year Internship). Note : 1 Year internship is Mandatory. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 Years. Job Description : Anaesthesia Technician.

#### 6. Jr. Pharmacist (Project Mode) for the Pharmacy Services & Peripheral Units

Qualifications : D.Pharm / B.Pharm. Candidates with Typing and Computer skills will be preferred.

Appointment will be given only for pharmacists who have registered in the Tamil Nadu State Pharmacy Council and who have completed one year traineeship in the Department of Pharmacy.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 Years.

Job Description : Dispensing of Drugs, Charging the prescriptions, receiving cash and other roles assigned.

#### 7. Asst. Programmer (Project Mode) in CHIPS (CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus)

Qualifications : B.Tech. (I.T) / B.E.(Computer Science) / MCA / MCS / MS Computer Science / M.Sc. (Computer Science). Experience : Preference will be given for those who have completed the Programmer Trainee posting in CHIPS for at least 1 year.

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

Age Limit : 35 Years. Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

#### 8. MCTT Trainee for the OP Services

Qualifications : Graduates with computer knowledge and having good interpersonal skills and multilingual capabilities. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 30 Years.

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

Job Description : To work in MCTT (Payment) Counters in CMC Ranipet campus, Vellore campus and peripheral units. Duty will be in shift on rotation basis including night shifts.

#### 9. Pharmacist Trainee for the Pharmacy Services

Qualification : D.Pharm / B. Pharm. Stipend : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : Below 30 Years. Appointment will be given only for Pharmacists who have registered in the State Pharmacy Council. Candidates with Typing and Computer Skills will be preferred. Job Description : Dispensing Section work as Trainee. *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 beaccepted.* Applications will close on October 31, 2022 for Items 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9.

## Christian Medical College Vellore NEWSLINE OCTOBER 24, 2022



My soul finds rest in God alone; my salvation comes from him. - Psalm 62:1

## Dr. Jessie Lionel Retires



#### The beginnings

Dr. Jessie grew up as the youngest of four siblings in Madurai. Her father was a highly respected forest officer, and this gave her the privilege of having an adventurous childhood, exploring sites in the heart of the forests, inaccessible to common man. With three older brothers, she grew up very much a tomboy, a fact difficult to fathom for people who have seen her exuding flawless grace in crisply ironed sarees.

Her initial schooling was in Madurai. She was not only a brilliant student but also proved her prowess in the athletic arena winning medals in hurdles, 100 and 400 meters races and relays. Her role as a teacher started early, with her staying back after school to teach students in remedial classes.

#### The academic journey

Dr. Jessie Lionel joined the CMC MBBS batch of 1975. Following completion of MBBS, she did her service obligation at Ikkadu Hospital, Chennai.

She completed her DGO and MD in Obs & Gyn, from CMC Vellore, in the years 1985-1989 and went on further to acquire a degree in DNB-Family Medicine.

**Dr. Jessie Lionel Retires** 

World Physiotherapy Day 2022

**Special Prayers** 

**Congratulations!** 

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## Dr. Jessie Lionel Retires

She worked at CSI Hospital, Kancheepuram for a period of 2 years. After returning, Dr. Jessie was initially employed in the Staff Student Clinic from 1992 for 3 years after which she joined the OG department, in 1995. She was the Head of Unit-III, from 2013-2018.

During her study leave period, she served in the position of Clinical Associate Lecturer (Level A), in the School of Medicine, Faculty of Health Sciences, at Flinders University South Australia.

In addition to this she also acquired a HIV Training Fellowship from the International Society of Infectious Diseases, UCSF, California, USA and Fogarty AIDS Training Fellowship, Tufts-Brown Fogarty.

#### Work with seropositive women:

Dr Jessie started working with seropositive women from 1993. She was the first doctor in CMC to deliver seropositive pregnant women, at a time when the stigma against the disease was at its height. She was part of the NACO-Core team from 2000-2012 and was instrumental in protocol making for antenatal care of seropositive women. She served as the medical officer of PPTCT (Prevention of parent to child transmission) in CMC from 2003-2021. Under her guidance, income generating programmes were initiated for sustaining the financial needs of the seropositive women. She also helped create a special fund to help with the delivery expenses of these women.

#### Favourite 'Doctor Amma':

She was cherished by both the staff of CMC and the community around. Their testimonies echo through generations. Room 13 in OG OPD stands witness to the love and care received by many. She is a not only a clinician with keen discernment but also has hands bestowed with skills.

#### **Diligent Teacher:**

She herself was a dedicated student. And when it came to teaching, she was a passionate teacher, up to date with recent advances and current recommendations. She emphasized on patient-clinician relationship, holistic care and maintaining the core values of CMC while keeping our hearts in alignment with the will of God.

#### **Spiritual Guide:**

She willingly gave of her time to invest in people and has been a mentor to many staff and students. Praying with and for others is an activity she consistently engaged in. Her house had been an 'open home' for many years, a caring place where students met for EU sessions, prayer meetings and gatherings.

#### **Outside of academics:**

She did her college proud by winning medals in athletics (sprinting and hurdles). She enjoys gardening and loves reading with her favourite book being "Rediscovering Holiness" by J.I. Packer.

#### Family:

Dr. Jessie is married to Dr. Gnanaraj Lionel and they are blessed with 3 children – Dr. Karen, Dr. Sharon and Dr. Steven, who after completing their education in CMC, continue to be valuable assets to the CMC community. To sum up Dr. Jessie's journey in CMC, as a close associate said: Christ is the centre of her life, Christ is the person of her life and Christ is the power of her life.

The values she has instilled in us will continue to stay on for many more years to come.

## World Physiotherapy Day 2022

The inauguration of the World Physiotherapy Day was held near ISSCC building near the Physiotherapy exhibit area. The meeting started with a prayer by Rev. Pearson, followed by felicitations from Dr. Benny Paul, Deputy Medical Superintendent and Dr. Bobeena Rachel Chandy Acting, Head PMR. The theme for World Physiotherapy Day was introduced and prize distribution to the winners of the Slogan competition (Both English and Tamil) were awarded.

Apart from this, poster competition and quiz for students and staff were organised.

The Valedictory function for the programme was held in Jacob Chandy hall, Paul Brand building . Prizes were awarded to the quiz and poster competition winners. It was well attended by Physiotherapy staff and students. Mr. Andrew Babu gave a talk on the History and Heritage of Physiotherapy in CMC, Vellore. A Pledge was taken to uphold the profession by all Physiotherapists.

#### **Poster competition :**

List of Prize winners from Physiotherapy.

I Prize : Ms. Mridula, Ms. Annsu, Ms. Serah II Prize : Ms. Jerin, Mr. Earnest, Mr. Samuel

#### **Slogan competition :**

Title of the slogan competition : "Osteoarthritis and Physiotherapy" Tamil prize winners :

I Prize : Ms. Maragatham Ponnusamy

II Prize : Mr. Elango A

III Prize : Ms. Maragatham Ponnusamy

#### **English prize winners :**

- I Prize : Ms. Gladys Beulah
- II Prize : Mr. Blessen Samuel John
- III Prize : Mr. Juan Thomas Jacob



### October 23 - 29, 2022

## **Special Prayers This Week**

**RUHSA** : Dr. Shantidani Minz and Staff

International Mission Board, Southern Baptist Convention Council Members : Dr. Spurgeon Rachaprolu Mr. Sunny Kuruvilla

Hospital : Bangalore Baptist Hospital.

## **Congratulations!**

• **Dr.Gagandeep Kang,** M.D., Ph.D., FRCPath, FAAM, FASc, FNASc, FNA, FFPH, FRS, Professor, Division of Gastrointestinal Sciences, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India has been elected to the U.S. National Academy of Medicine, for her outstanding contributions to understand and improve child health through her research in enteric infectious diseases and vaccinology over decades benefiting children in India and low- and middle-income countries, and more recently to vaccine science, vaccination policy and communication during the SARS-CoV-2 pandemic.

• **Prof. Meshak Kirubakaran's** services towards provision of **Nephrology Services** to the first nations people in Northern Territory of Australia for over 2 decades were formally recognised by the ANZSN last night at its Annual General Body meeting by making him a Life Member of the Society. Meshak is now one of the less than 25 life members recognised by ANZSN since its inception and the only overseas trained (and Indian) Nephrologist to receive this honour.

• The following are the prize winners of the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual National Conference - SERCON 2022 (Society for Emergency Radiology), conducted by the Department of Radiology on the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> of October 2022 at Hotel Benzz Park, Vellore.

Dr. Arpxad Noel Lall and Dr. Sneha	: 1 <sup>st</sup> prize in FRS
Dr. Kurian C. Eapen	: 2 <sup>nd</sup> prize in the quiz
Dr. Renu Susan Ninan	: 1 <sup>st</sup> prize in paper presentation
Dr. Deepak Paul Thomas	: Best e-poster under trauma and MSK category
Dr. Amisha Tanya Deeban and	
Dr. Heloise Yohannan	: Best e-poster under cardiopulmonary category
Dr. Angelin Grace Jeslin	: Best e-poster under vascular and interventional radiology
Dr. Rahul Karthik	: Best e-poster under Neuro and Head and Neck

• The following candidates were successful in the **Postgraduate Higher Specialty** Examination held in **August 2022 (University results published on 16.09.2022 to 21.09.2022).** 

Gynaecological Oncology	: Dr. Monica T. and Dr. Sahana Punneshetty
Hand Surgery	: Dr. Soham Ghosh
HPB Surgery	: Dr. Tony Basil and Dr. Kandekar Rahul Vilas
<b>Neurosurgery (3 Years)</b> : Dr. Sudharsan P.V.	
Neurosurgery (6 Years)-Part II	I: Dr. Mayank Mathur, Dr. Peeran S.R.H. and Dr. Vitta Pradeep
Neurosurgery (6 Years)-Part II	: Dr. Kent Reji K. and Dr. Reni George
<b>Paediatrics Surgery</b>	: Dr. Ashish Sam Samuel, Dr. Priyanka R Hegde, Dr. Gnana Chaitanya Kondabolu,
	Dr. Avinash S.R., and Dr. Ram Mohan B.
Plastic Surgery	: Dr. Priya Dharshini A. and Dr. Komala Abhishek Reddy
Reproductive Medicine & Surg	ery : Dr. Sharmistha Sarkar, Dr. Nallamilli Sujatha Reddy and Dr. Atri Pal
Urology	: Dr. Sukhdev D.B. Singh, Dr. Zeeshan Rahman, Dr. Tejo Krishna Kalluri,
	Dr. Arnab Mitra and Dr. Chhanwar Lal 4
Vascular Surgery	: Dr. Hanish Kataria and Dr. L Samuel Prabhu Mithra



## Retirement

Mr. Jesudoss G., Sel. Gr. MCTT Gr. II, OP Services, retired on 29th July, 2022, after 28 years of dedicated service to the institution. His wife, Mrs. Ilavarasi is a Professor in College of Nursing and Associate Nursing Superintendent. They have two daughters, Rene and Ms. Reba Gayathri Jesudoss.

The CMC community is thankful for his years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes him God's blessings on his retired life





## **Obituaries**

• Dr. Vimala Devaraj (nee Somasekhar) of the MBBS batch of 1949, passed away on the 12th of August 2022, in Exeter, U.K., aged 90. Vimala, always referred to fondly in CMC as Bunty, was born in Chennai on the 9th of January 1932 to Dr. Ernest Somasekhar and Mrs. Rebecca and was their only surviving child. He was the Chief Medical Officer of the Southern Railways, and Chairman of CMC Council for a term.

In CMC, Bunty was a somewhat demure but friendly person with a sweet smile, distinguished by always dressing modestly in white, with her hair in two long plaits. She was a successful student, never prominent in any of the college activities, but always a friendly and positive presence whom her contemporaries remember fondly. Due to the circumstances of her later life, she was unable to maintain her alumni contacts except for a very few friends.

Dr. Vimala married Dr. Samuel K. Devaraj, a graduate from Madras Medical College in 1958. Sadly, the following year, at 28, she lost her own mother after an extended, painful, and debilitating illness. Samuel and Vimala had three children, Vikram (1959), Lini (1961) and Ashok born in 1963. Ashok was born with severe cerebral palsy and was destined to remain at an intellectual age of six months all his life. The caring needs of such a child overshadowed the subsequent history of the family and the personal life story of Vimala. In the winter of 1965, the family relocated to the UK. Although intended to be temporary, it was to become permanent. Sadly, Vimala could have little time with her aging father.

The family settled in Leeds. Dr. Samuel became attached to the Department of Microbiology at the University of Leeds for life, contributing greatly to the quality of the clinical services and the teaching of students. For most of her working life, Vimala worked as a Senior Medical Officer at the Regional Child Development Centre at St James's University Teaching Hospital in Leeds, supporting children with intellectual and physical impairment almost before the specialty fully emerged. Empathy for disabled children and their struggling families was the hallmark of her life. She was an incredibly popular member of staff, valued and respected by her colleagues and her patients.

On the death of her husband Sam in 2003 Vimala, now aged 73, moved to Exeter with Ashok to be closer to her eldest son Vikram and his family. Vikram had specialised in surgery and is currently Professor in the College of Medicine and Health, University of Exeter. His sister Lini meanwhile had become a successful GP with a well-established urban practice. But she also relocated to Exeter in order to help support Vimala and Ashok. She became a salaried GP in Devon and continues to be professionally engaged.

Shortly thereafter, Vimala began developing severe angina. Determined to be away as little as possible from Ashok, she rejected coronary bypass surgery, and ended up having seven coronary stents. Ashok died living at home in 2012, aged 49. Vimala had continued as his constant care giver till she herself was 81, and his death affected her profoundly.

## **Obituaries**

Vimala's last few years were challenging, reminiscent of her mother's last days. With advancing ischaemic disease of a lower limb, and eschewing an amputation, she endured chronic intractable pain and tissue loss with a calm, dignified resignation. An incredibly private person, she treasured time with all her family including her beloved grandchildren and their partners. With the determined support of her family, her wish to remain independent and to pass away in her own home were realised. She died aged 90 in a pink sari with family members around her. Her children remember her life thus: "As a family, we were incredibly lucky to have a wonderful, caring mother who was also a wise counsel to everyone and who remained entirely lucid and intellectually agile to the end. She would often recall her days and friends at Vellore with deep affection and immensely valued her colleagues from former days some of whom were able to remain in touch. She constantly reminded us how fortunate she felt, but we were the fortunate ones to have had her in our lives. She never complained about her fate, felt blessed and loved."

She rests with Sam her husband and son Ashok in Exeter.

Those who may wish to get in touch with her family, may do so as below : Vikram Devaraj at : V.S.Devaraj@exeter.ac.uk Dr. Lini Devaraj at : drldevaraj246@btinternet.com

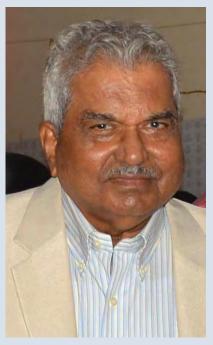
Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

• **Dr John S. Salis** (MBBS batch of 1954) passed away on the 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2022. Dr. John Salis was born in Udupi on 11 December 1934, the sixth of six children to Mr. Ezekiel Salis, headmaster of a school and talented musician and Mrs. Evangeline Salis, homemaker. He went to school in Udupi and Mumbai.

Dr. John Salis joined CMC in 1954 for his MBBS degree. He met Dr. Susheela Rajanandam (MBBS batch of 1957) there, 3 years his junior. When he finished his MBBS, he worked as an anatomy tutor, waiting for her to finish her degree, they subsequently married.

They moved to the UK where they got their professional qualifications, he gained his FRCS in General Surgery and pursued a career in abdominal surgery in the UK and the States. They had 2 children, Serena and Kevin.

They moved back to India at the request of the Bishop of South Canara, (based in Udupi his home town), to work in and resuscitate a then ailing mission hospital, Redfern Memorial Hospital, in Hassan, Karnataka. They spent the majority of their professional lives there and handed over the hospital which they transformed with Gods grace to a thriving professional and commercially successful Christian hospital.



He was a keen sportsman and played either volleyball or tennis daily. They retired to Bangalore where their children were in boarding school. Dr John continued to work in Oman for a few years before he retired.

His son, Kevin and his family lived with and cared for them both as they got older and infirm. Dr. Susheela (his Susy) sadly passed away in 2012. He remained remarkably healthy until 2 years ago when his mobility deteriorated with arthritis. He sadly suffered a stroke in April 2022 and declined over the following six months. He passed away peacefully surrounded by his family on the 18<sup>th</sup> of October.

Those who may wish to get in touch with his family, may do so as below : Serena Jane Salis (daughter) (MBBS batch of 1990): Email : **dr.pongratz@gmail.com** Kevin (son) : Email : **drkmsalis@gmail.com** 

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

## **Situations Vacant**

#### 1. Senior Resident with MD / DNB (PMR) for the CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus

(Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment). Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

#### 2. Assistant Professor with D.M. (Neurology) for the Department of Neurology

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

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

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Link : "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted*. Applications will close by October 29, 2022 for Items 1 and November 5, 2022 for Item 2.

**3. Field Research Assistant (Ten posts)** for the **Department of Community Health** *Job Code : 1451* Qualification : Graduate.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Mode of Appointment : Project Mode. Accommodation not provided.

**4.** Associate Research Officer (Three posts) for the Department of Community Health *Job Code : 1452* Qualification : M.Sc. Microbiology.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Mode of Appointment : Project Mode. Accommodation not provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to **http://www.cmchvellore.edu** Link : General - "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and Emails will not be accepted*. Applications will close by **November 05, 2022** for Items 3 and 4.

## **5.** Asst. Respiratory Therapist (Project Mode / Leave Vacancy) for the Department of Pulmonary Medicine (Main / CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus)

Qualifications : B.Sc., Respiratory Therapy / B.Sc. with PG Diploma in advanced Respiratory Therapy (CMC). Candidates completing bond this year can also apply.

*Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.* Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 Years.

**6.** Assistant Social Worker (Project Mode) for the Department of Respiratory Medicine Qualifications : M.S.W/M.A., (Social Work/Sociology)/M.Sc., (Medical Sociology). Preference will be given for the candidates who have experience in CMC as a Medical Social Worker. *Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.* Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 Years.

**7. Health Educator (Project Mode)** for the **Department of Community Health** Qualifications : M.A., with D.H.E.,

Preference will be given to the candidates with minimum of two years' experience in Health Education. Job Description : To work in Community Health Department.

*Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.* Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 Years.

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 October 31, 2022 for Items 5, 6 and November 07, 2022 for Item 7.

**8.** Applications are invited in **College Hill Kindergarten**, **Bagayam** for the post of **Helper (Trainee)** Qualification :  $10^{th}/12^{th}$  Pass.

Preference will be given to the female candidates who have previous experience in handling children. Age : Below 35 Years.

Interested candidates may apply to College Hill Kindergarten, Bagayam, Vellore through hard copy of bio-data or call Phone : 6374886131 or send email to **chkg.principal@gmail.com**/ **chkg.secretary@gmail.com** on or before **October 31, 2022** for Item 8.

## **Christian Medical College Vellore** NEWSLINE **OCTOBER 31, 2022**



Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favour rests. Luke 2:14 **Cookery Competition organised by the Department of Endocrinology** 



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The Department of Endocrinology, CMC Vellore organised a cookery competition on the theme "Diabetic Bedtime Snacks" on the evening of 24th September, 2022, which was a melange to exhibit the culinary skills of the people of Vellore. The meeting was presided by Dr. Asha HS, Professor, Department of Endocrinology and Metabolism, CMC Vellore. The Chief Guest for the event was Dr. Bala Seetharaman, Nursing Superintendent, Head of Department of Medical and Surgical Nursing. In her welcome address, the Chief Guest stressed the importance of early dinner at home, the contribution of all family members in a healthy diet at home and protein rich bedtime snacks as an important component of diet in patients on insulin.

Dr. Ashish Gupta, Head of Plastic Surgery at CMC Vellore, stressed the need for young men to participate in cooking at home and that a healthy 'diabetic diet' is a healthy diet not only for those with diabetes but for the general population at large. The other judges were Mrs. Bharathy, Associate Professor, Medical Nursing, CMC Vellore, Mrs. Nalini Prasad, Vice President, Tangent India, Mrs. Kavitha and Mrs. Sandhya. They congratulated all the contestants for their enthusiasm and zeal in participation. 1

## **Cookery Competition on the theme "Diabetic Bedtime Snacks"**

The event witnessed the participation of 33 teams, which included school children, teachers from various schools and colleges, staff from CMC Vellore and home makers. They have showcased innovative ideas to make different kinds of delicious and nutritious diabetic bedtime snacks. The recipes were evaluated on the basis of nutritive and calorific value, cost of ingredients, time duration of cooking, and taste.

A special prize was awarded to Ms. Deepa. R. and Ms. Gopika C, B.Sc. Nutrition student from Muthurangam Arts College, Vellore for the recipe "Sprouted Momos".

The first prize was bagged by Ms. Jasme M. and Keerthana S. from KNICU, CMC Vellore for the recipe "Karamani Cutlet".

The second prize was won by Ms. Joyce Beulah and Ms. Madhumitha B. from Oncology Department CMC Vellore for the recipe "Jowar pearl millet ollai kolakkatai" and Ms. Revathi K and Ms. Reena S. from OR Day care, CMC Vellore for the recipe "Cabbage Cutlet".

Three consolation prizes were also awarded to Mr. Kathir and Ms. Ajith Kumar from Addon Institute Faculty, Dr. Uma Mageshwari and Dr. Beulah Suresh faculty from Auxilium College [AP], Christina Devi and Ms. Nandhini S. from Labour Room.

The cash prizes and trophies will be awarded to the winners during the valedictory function to be held in December 2022.

For the Pictures and Videos kindly visit the following link : https://www.cmcendovellore.org/world-diabetes-day-celebration-2022/



## Inauguration of the Immunofluorescence Laboratory

On 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2022 the **Immunofluorescence Laboratory of the Pathology Department** at CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus, was dedicated to the memory of Prof. Anand Date with the unveiling of a plaque by Dr. Sunil Chandy, former Director. The Program began with a prayer by Rev. Arul Dhas, Head of Chaplaincy, followed by a tribute to Dr. Date presented by Dr. Geeta Chacko, Head of Pathology, on behalf of the Department.

The immunofluorescence microscope for this laboratory was made possible by donations from CMC alumni and friends and family of the Dates, who responded generously to a request from Dr. Sally Date to honour Dr. Date's abiding interest in Nephropathology. Dr. Anand Date was a brilliant teacher whose lectures on Renal Pathology are legendary. Using a piece of chalk and the black board, he deconstructed the complexities of renal pathology into something simple and easy to understand. As an Oslerian, Dr. Date was a prolific contributor to the Osler Society, drawing from a vast knowledge gleaned from a trove of books and interests that stretched far beyond Pathology. Dr. Date's incomparable humour, unpretentious demeanour and sheer humanity were all brought to life though the many moving tributes delivered by colleagues, students, friends, and family.

The dedication concluded with the planting of memory seeds donated by his wife Dr. Sally Date and daughter Geetha to remain as a living memory of his life and years of dedicated service to Christian Medical College Vellore.



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## **Breast Cancer Awareness Week**

The month of October is observed as the Breast Cancer Awareness month.

About 1 in 29 women face the risk of developing breast cancer in their lifetime. It is the most common cancer among Indian women. Men can get it rarely too. When detected and treated in early stage about 80% women can hope for long term survival.

Some of the common myths vs truths are enlisted below :

Myth	Truth
• Breast cancer is a death sentence	• Patients with breast cancer live long life if treated appropriately
• Breast cancer risk cannot be reduced	• It can be reduced marginally
Painful lumps are dangerous	• Pain is mostly of benign cause

#### Who are at risk?

The risk factors can be classified as non-modifiable risks and modifiable risk factors :

#### Non- modifiable risk factors include :

- Gender Female
- Age older age
- Genetic significant family history of breast cancer
- Radiation exposure to chest wall as a child
- Early menarche
- Late menopause

#### Modifiable risk factors include :

- Avoidance of breast feeding
- Hormone supplements or HRT
- Alcohol
- Smoking
- Obesity
- Late motherhood or nulliparous

The modifiable risk factors can be reduced through; Regular physical exercise, Healthy diet, avoiding excess hormones and avoiding smoking or excess alcohol consumption.

Breast cancer can be detected early by; Self-breast examination, Screening mammography and by consciously reporting painless lumps to your doctor.

#### What are suspicious findings in breast cancer?

- Painless breast lump
- Dimpling of skin over breast
- Changes in skin or shape of nipple and areola
- Changes in shape of breast
- Bleeding from nipple

With early detection of cancer and improved treatment modalities, we can fight breast cancer together and win over it.

## **Grief Counselling Training**

An **in-service training on Grief Counselling** was conducted by the Department of Chaplaincy from August 4<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2022. 19 Trainees from the Institution underwent this training. There were 15 sessions in which basic counselling skills with special reference to loss and grief, clinical practice and peer group learning were covered. The valedictory programme was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2022. Mrs. Jeyalindha Christopher, Associate Nursing Superintendent presented the certificates to the trainees. We pray for God's blessings upon all the trainees as they minister to the sick and the suffering.



## Department of Pulmonary Medicine started functioning in Ranipet Campus

**Department of Pulmonary Medicine started functioning in Ranipet Campus** from 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2022. There was prayer and dedication of the services on 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2022. Rev. Raja, Chaplain, Dr. Vijay Aruldhas, Acting Head of MRD and OPD Services, Dr. Ravish Sanghi Raju, Professor and Acting Head of HPB Surgery, Dr. Lallu Joseph, Associate General Superintendent & Quality Manager and Mrs. Illavarasi Jesudoss, Associate Nursing Superintendent felicitated the gathering. Our retired respiratory therapists Mr. Karunakaran and Mr. Kathavarayan also graced the occasion. We are grateful to God and thankful to all the people in the administration for the seamless transfer of our services.



## National Family Medicine Faculty Development Workshop

The Department of Family Medicine in collaboration with the Royal College of General Practitioners, United Kingdom, successfully conducted **National Family Medicine Faculty Development Workshop** from  $6^{th}$  to  $8^{th}$  October, 2022. The course was designed to train Family Medicine faculty from across the country in structured teaching of Family Medicine Postgraduates. The workshop included small group activates, short lectures and group discussions. The workshop shed light on family medicine as a speciality, the current post graduate curriculum, its implementation and challenges, models of family medicine training, assessment methods and research in family medicine. The course content and organization of the workshop was highly appreciated by the all the participants.



October 09 -15, 2022

### **Special Prayers This Week**

Nephrology and AK Lab:

Dr. Vinoi George David and Staff Dr. Santhosh Varughese and Staff Dr. Suceena Alexander and Staff Mrs. Anandha Ruby Jacob and Staff

Emmanuel Hospital Association Council Member : Dr. Saira Paulose Hospitals : The Duncan Hospital, Raxaul Makunda Christian Hospital, Herbetpur Christian Hospital, Prem Jyoti Community Hospital and Chinchpada Christian Hospital and others.

Evangelical Lutheran Church in Madhya Pradesh Council Members: Dr. Rajiv Choudhrie Dr. Deepa Choudhrie

Hospital : Padhar Hospital, Betul and others

### Welcome

Dr. Serina Ruth Salins, Professor, Department of Anaesthesia, on her return from sabbatical leave.

## **Congratulations!**

• **Dr. Mathew Varghese Nellimootil,** Assistant Professor, Department of Emergency Medicine has been awarded the "European Diploma in Adult Respiratory Medicine (EDARM)" by the European Respiratory Society after successfully passing the European Examination in Adult Respiratory Medicine held online on 10<sup>th</sup> September, 2022.

• **Dr. Gina Maryann Chandy,** Associate Professor and Dr. Sivanandan A., Assistant Professor, Department of Emergency Medicine has been successfully completed the MRCEM (Member of Royal College of Emergency Medicine) Examination on 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2022.

• Dr. Lenka Sushma, second year resident in DM Paediatric Neurology has secured the second prize for poster on "Combined oxidative phosphorylation defects" at the 21- Annual conference of the Academy of Paediatric Neurology - Neuropedicon held at Kashmir, September 2022.

## **Obituaries**

• Mr. Visuvasam I, retired Artisan, Engineering Department father of Mrs. Josephine, House Keeping Supervisor, OPD, passed away on 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2022.

Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Mary Visuvasam, daughter and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• Mr. Dalton, husband of Mrs. Jessie Dalton, Staff Nurse, A-6 ward, passed away on 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2022. Let us uphold his wife, sons Andrew, Allen and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

## **Situations Vacant**

**1. Assistant Professor** with **D.M. (Neurology)** for the **Department of Neurology** Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**2. Senior Resident** with **MS (OG)** for the **Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology Unit-II** Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

#### 3. Senior Resident / Assistant Professor with MD (Radiology) for the Department of Radiology

Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as Assistant Professor in any NMC recognized teaching institution for applying Assistant Professor Job.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

#### 4. Senior Resident / Assistant Professor with MD (Biochemistry) for the Department of Biochemistry

Experience : No experience required for SR position. One year teaching experience as Assistant Professor in any NMC-recognized teaching institution is required for applying for the Assistant Professor position. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

#### 5. Senior Resident with MD / DNB (Anaesthesia) for the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus

(Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment). 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". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted*. Applications will close by **November 05**, **2022** for Items 1, 2, 3 and **November 12, 2022** Items 4 and 5.

6. Research Assistant for the Department of Neurological SciencesJob Code : 1436Qualification : B.Sc. / M.Sc. Life Sciences.Preferably with minimum of 2 years Research Experience in Clinical trials and Research Projects with GCP(Good Clinical Practice) training.Job Description : To work in a clinical project which will involve patient recruitment, follow up, data managementand coordinating with National and International Research Networks teams.Age : Below 35 Years.Salary : As per institutional rules.Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.Accommodation not provided.

7. Senior Medical Officer (Two Posts) for the Department of Community HealthJob Code : 1453Qualification : Postgraduate Medical Degree with 5 years experience in research field.Job Code : 1453Salary : As per institutional rules.Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.Accommodation not provided.Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to **http://www.cmch-vellore.edu** Link : General - "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted*. Applications will close by **November 12, 2022** for Items 6 and 7.

## **Situations Vacant**

## 8. Graduate Technician Trainee / Technician Trainee for the Clinical Pharmacology Unit 8(a) Graduate Technician Trainee

Qualifications : B.Sc., Chemistry / Bio Chemistry. Nature of Job : To do technical work in the TDM laboratory including drugs assays with HPLC.

#### (b) Technician Trainee

H.Sc., (Preference will be given to those who have one or two years Diploma in Medical Lab Technician courses from the recognized board).

Nature of Job : Phlebotomy and General Technical Work.

*Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.* Stipend : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 30 Years.

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 November 14, 2022 for Items 8(a) and 8(b).

9(a) Applications are invited for the following posts at College of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Vellore.

#### • M.Sc. (N) Tutor

Qualification : M.Sc. Nursing in Medical Surgical Nursing speciality. (For College of Nursing, CMC Vellore Main Campus / Ranipet Campus).

Accommodation and Salary : As per institutional policy.

#### • Junior Warden (Project Mode)

Qualification : Graduate preferably with B.Sc. Home Science. Candidate need to stay in the hostel. (Only female candidates need to apply). Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Preference will be given for single women.

#### • Library Assistant (Project Mode)

Qualification : Graduate + BLIS. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

9(b) Applications are invited for the following posts at College of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Chittoor Campus

Qualification : M.Sc. Nursing in Community Health Nursing speciality. Accommodation and Salary : As per institutional policy.

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

Applications should be submitted online through the link : https://www.cmch-vellore.edu/News.aspx (under "Vacancies") on or before November 12, 2022 for Items 9(a) and 9(b).

#### 10. Non-Technical Assistant (Project Mode)

Qualifications : Any Graduate (regular) with one year CMC training passed. Consolidated Salary : As per institutional norms. Candidates who have completed one year orientation training programme for Graduate Trainee (NTA) only need apply.

Please log on to **http://www.cmch-vellore.edu** Link: General - "Vacancies". Tab : "Non Technical Assistant".

#### 11. One year Graduate Trainee (Accountant) for Accounts Department

Qualifications : B.Com. (regular) + one year computer training. Consolidated Stipend : As per institutional norms. Age Limit : Not more than 30 Years.

## **Situations Vacant**

#### Please log on to http://www.cmch-vellore.edu

Link: General - "Vacancies". Tab : "One year Graduate Trainee (Jr. Accountant)".

Applications should be made online. Applications through other Job Portals will not be considered. Apply on or before November 05, 2022 for Item 10 and November 14, 2022 for Item 11.

12. Applications invited for the posts of Professor Cum Vice- Principal & Associate Professor for Nazarene Nurses' Training College (NNTC) attached to Reynolds Memorial Hospital & Affiliated Clinics (RMH), a Christian Mission Hospital located in Washim, Maharashtra (jointly managed by CMC Vellore, Emmanuel Hospital Association & Church of the Nazarene) NNTC is under the Maharashtra University of Health Sciences, Nashik.

Applications are invited for the following posts at NNTC with eligibility criteria based on the Maharashtra University of Health Sciences Norms.

#### Professor Cum Vice- Principal (Vacant post – 01)

M.Sc Nursing in any speciality with 12 years of experience, of which 10 years should be teaching experience with minimum of 5 years in collegiate programme.

Should have registered with Maharashtra Nursing Council.

#### Associate Professor (Vacant Post – 01)

M.Sc. Nursing in any speciality with 8 years of experience including 5 years of teaching. Of which 3 years should be after M.Sc. Nursing.

Should have registered with Maharashtra Nursing Council.

Kindly send applications by mail along with latest CV with 2 references and covering letter, citing the post applied for - to be sent to **nntcprincipal@gmail.com**, addressed to the Principal, NNTC, Washim on or before **November 14, 2022.** For shortlisted candidates from out of Maharashtra, zoom interviews will be an option. Contact No for queries : 9730349353.

**November 14, 2022** For any queries or further details about Reynolds Memorial Hospital and Nazarene Nurses Training College you may please contact **ms\_rmh@rmhindia.org** / **missionsoffice@cmcvellore.ac.in** 

## **13. Schieffelin Institute of Health - Research & Leprosy Centre, Karigiri – 632 106** invites applications for the following post of **Staff Nurse**

Qualification : DGNM / B.Sc. Nursing. Experience : 1-2 years with ICU or OT experience. Age Limit : below 35 years. Candidate can apply using Job Application available at https://leprosyhealth.org, career section and send along with photocopies of the certificates to personnel@karigiri.org

Last date for receipt of applications is **November 12, 2022** for Item 13.





## Newsline

### **NOVEMBER 07, 2022**

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

**World Occupational Therapy Day 2022** 



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Occupational Therapy, CMC, Vellore celebrated "World Occupational Therapy Day" on the 27th of October, 2022. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. Jacob George, Head of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (PMR). Mr. Sanjeev Padankatti, Head of Occupational Therapy welcomed the gathering introducing the theme "Opportunity + Choice = Justice". The stalls set up near Electrical Department displayed posters, live demonstrations with opportunities to try out therapy equipments like the hand tutor, balance trainer and multilingual skits performed by the OT Interns to create awareness and promote the theme.

A photo contest was organised on the theme of the event for staff and students of other OT colleges in the country and alumni from CMC.

The same evening a thanksgiving service was held at the Rehab institute attended by all staff and students of Occupational Therapy, well-wishers and friends. Dr. George Tharion, former head of PMR and Dr. Guru Nagarajan, Senior Social Worker, PMR were the Guests of Honour. Ms. Shoba Chacko, former Head of Occupational Therapy and Mr. Suresh, Artist (Volunteer in Rehabilitation Institute) also addressed the gathering. Our support staffs, some of whom have worked in the OT unit for more than 35 years were felicitated during the event.

We thank God for His blessings and thank the administration of our institution for all support.

## WHO AM I?- Written based on the theme Opportunity + Choice= Justice by the staff and students of Occupational Therapy

Most of us define ourselves by the roles that we perform or the activities we excel at. We choose opportunities that align with our interests and strengths.

When an adult or child has a severe physical or mental illness, injury or a genetic condition, it affects not just their body structures and functions, but also limits the activities they are able to perform-such as day-to-day activities, independently or pursuing tasks of their interest. This in turn affects their participation in all areas of life such as having a job of their choice, being schooled in the subjects of their interest, taking care of children and family, and especially being in leadership roles. The environment of the individual is often a barrier than facilitative to the dreams of individuals with disability.

While resilient individuals find ways to cope with these unforeseen limitations, most lack the courage to face the future of their new selves, redefine expectations and modify dreams. Parents struggle to adjust with the reality that their child will be cared for, than care for them as they age. Being a parent of a child with special needs requires unforeseen sacrifices and adjustments in the family.

Society tends to 'put people into boxes' that define what they can and cannot do. Examples of predefined ideas in people with disability include:

- People with disability should get married or be parents. (They would be a burden to the spouse or child).
- Wheelchair bound patients should have desktop jobs. (That would be easiest for them).
- Children with disability should be in special schools. (That would be better for the child and other children in the classroom).
- If a woman is disabled their life is considered to be over. (She won't be able to take care of her family).
- Children with developmental disabilities should be taught music or art. (They will not be able to perform well in challenging subjects).

The reflection of injustice is strong when patients tell us: "This is not the life I wanted."; "It is not fair that I worked so hard and yet things don't change." or "How will I go on in life not being able to do that which I love the most?"

What if parents want their child to get a gold medal? What if the person in a wheelchair wants to continue to be an athlete? What if the woman insists on taking care of the household, especially cooking? What if he is the president of the company and wants to continue the role he worked hard towards?

Are we perpetuating injustice by disregarding individual choice and denying opportunity?

The month of October is celebrated as Occupational Therapy month with the 27th of October designed as "World Occupational Therapy Day". Occupational Therapy in CMC, Vellore, commenced in the 1960s. Currently Occupational Therapists work in various departments of the hospital including Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Adult and child Psychiatry (Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and Nambikkai Nilayam), Paediatrics (Developmental Paediatrics, Rheumatology, Neonatology, Oncology, Orthopedics, Surgery), Neurology, Orthopedics, Hemophilia, Geriatrics and in Community and outreach clinics.

Occupational therapists (OTs) are aware of the danger of taking away hope by insisting on our patients being realistic. We work with patients and their families knowing that though some dreams may seem impossible to achieve considering the medical complications, there is a life after disability.

We train and make adaptations, based on our patient's strengths and limitations- keeping the strengths always before us. We use various media. We work with individuals, groups, families and in the community.

## World Occupational Therapy Day 2022

We use treatment approaches to increase muscle strength, coordination and balance. We provide training in cognitive, language and social skills. We train patients in activities of daily living such as in self care tasks, shopping, and community mobility. We do vocational training and rehabilitation. Whenever there is discrepancy between ability and skills required, we provide adaptations. Adaptations can be as simple as modifying a spoon so that the patient can eat independently, to doing a home visit to suggest wheelchair accessible options in the house. OTs provide education to caregivers, schools, and workplaces.Occupational therapists provide adults and children with disability opportunities that align with their choices. We bridge the gap between the person's felt needs and possibilities. Choices include having social context and fellowship, than being isolated; making use of knowledge and capacities, than working on pre-assigned tasks; having freedom and autonomy at work, than being stereotyped; experiencing economic independence, than being perceived as a dependant; and being part of a bigger whole.

When an individual's opportunities align with his or her choices, JUSTICE prevails. Justice prevails when children and adults with disability are fully functioning and valued individuals in society.

OTs excel at addressing an individual's disability- by optimising our patient's function and adapting surroundings. Yet we are still striving to address those handicaps imposed by society: attitudes, prejudices and indifference that prevent differently able adults and children from using public transportation, function halls, restrooms, schools and playgrounds.

We have hope that one day: "Blind eyes will be opened, deaf ears unstopped, Lame men and women will leap like deer, the voiceless break into song." Isaiah 35: 5-7

But until that day we will strive to do what the Lord requires of us: "To act justly and to love mercy and walk humbly with our God." Micah 6:8



#### World Mental Health Day 2022

The Psychiatry Unit and College of Nursing, CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus in collaboration with the District Medical and Health Office, Chittoor conducted the World Mental Health Day Programme with the theme "Make Mental Health and Well-being For All A Global Priority". Week long activities were organized in Chittoor Campus from 3 October to 10 October to sensitize Staff, Students and the Public on the need for prioritizing mental health. Mental Health Quiz, Slogan Writing and a Short Video Contest were conducted and Nursing and Allied Health Students and Staff enthusiastically participated.

On 10 October 2022, a Public Awareness Programme was organized in Chittoor Campus. There were 53 Community Health Staff from adjacent PHCs, more than 100 patients, Doctors, Nurses, Technicians, Nursing and Allied Health Students and other supportive staff attended and benefitted from the programme. The programme began with the devotion led by Rev. Dr. Hminga Pachuau, Chaplain, CMC Vellore. Dr. Sajin Tito Arattukulam, Assistant Professor in Psychiatry, CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus welcomed the gathering. Dr. U. Sreehari, the District Medical and



Health Officer delivered the Chief Guest Address in which he emphasized the importance of mental health and need for a Public-Private Partnership in reaching the mental health needs of the community. Felicitations were offered by Dr. Kenny David, Associate Director, CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus, Mrs. Florence Segaran, Principal College of Nursing, CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus, Dr. A. Sudharsan, NCD-CD Officer, Chittoor, Dr. Srinivasa Rao, Senior Public Health Officer, Chittoor, Dr. L. Sreevani, District Epidemiologist, Dr. Durga Devi, Dr. Sukanya and Dr. Rashmi, PHC Medical Officers. The third year B.Sc. Nursing students presented Skit and Villuppattu on Mental Health awareness. The Chief Guest distributed Appreciation Certificates to the winners of various competitions. Mental Health Awareness Poster from the government was released. Dr. Pastin Pushpa Rani. P, Associate Professor, College of Nursing, CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus delivered vote of thanks. The programme was anchored by Mrs. Sheela Elizabeth, Social Worker, CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus. The programme was followed by Tree Plantation inside the campus.

Mental Health Awareness Posters were displayed in all the areas of hospital. Group psychoeducation sessions were organized for the housekeeping staff. Information pamphlets were distributed to patients and relatives. Prize winners :

Quiz: I - Ms. Blessy Keren, Ms. Swathi K. & Ms. Kaviya.B (III Year B.Sc. Nursing).

Quiz II - Ms. Stephy Paul, Ms. Stephy Thomas & Ms. Amala Rose (III B.Sc. Nursing).

Quiz III - Ms. Nikitha Mathew, Ms. Sneha Sara & Ms. Janvi George (II B.Sc. Nursing).

Slogan: Mrs. Mary. R (Staff Nurse), Mr. Lokesh (Pharmacist) & Ms. Michelle Martin (III B.Sc. Nursing).

Short Video Contest : Mrs. Mary. R (Staff Nurse), Mr. Sam Jefferson & Mr. Israel (Lab Technicians).



## **RUHSA Inaugurates 'Laying of Road ' Inside its Campus**



This is the Lords doing; it is marvellous in His sight. This popular verse in most appropriate today. This is the Lords doing; We thank Him and praise Him for His grace and adding another milestone in RUHSA's history.

The ceremony started at 8:00 am with a prayer of dedication by Rev. Dr. Arul Dhas and the ribbon was cut by Dr. Vikram Mathews, Director and Dr. J.V. Peter, Former Director in the presence of RUHSA community and friends. Er. David Chandran, General Superintendent, local panchayat leaders, Mr. Venketasan, Mr. Mohan and Mr. Suresh Kumar; representatives from CON, Planning and Maintenance graced the occasion. Great appreciation was extended to Mr. Shankar, HOD Civil, Mr. Kirubakaran, Road Contractor, Electrical Dept. and Mr. Elango and the RUHSA Engineering team.

Good roads for improved access for patients, especially the pregnant women, differently abled and campus residents was always the need. But Mr. Vinayagam a wheelchair bound patient of RUHSA opened our eyes to another dimension of the good bitumen road. He mentioned that this road makes him INDEPENDENT in accessing RUHSA hospital right to the doctor's room. We praise God for using CMC's assets to lift people up.

Dr. Rita Isaac shared her experience for the need of laying the road inside the campus and sincerely thanked the administration, planning, engineering teams for getting all approvals, contracts and also thanked all those who had put tremendous effort to complete the laying of the road inside the campus. She reminded the RUHSA team that we have a greater responsibility to give back in terms of making RUHSA programme a significant value addition to CMC's mission to serve the poor and the

marginalized.



## Special Prayers This Week November 06 - 12, 2022

Purchase: Mr. Daniel Devakumar and StaffStores: Mr. Edin Decoster Lawrence and StaffCRS: Mr. Samuel Caleb Arun Kumar and Staff

Southern Asia Division of Seventh-day-Adventists Council Members : Pastor S. Paulmoney Mr. Pierson Sam David

Hospitals : Aizawl Adventist Hospital Pune Adventist Hospital Rupy Nelson Memorial Hospital, Punjab SDA Medical Centre, Bengaluru and others

General Conference of SDA, USA.

#### Memoranda

- **Dr. Ebby George Simon,** Professor, will continue as Head of Medical Gastroenterology Unit-I with effect from 1st November 2022 for a four year term.
- **Dr. Sudipta Dar Chowdhury**, Professor, is appointed as Head of the Department of Medical Gastroenterology & Head of Medical Gastroenterology Unit-II with effect from 1st November 2022 for a four year term.
- **Dr. Reuben Thomas Kurien,** Professor, is appointed as Acting Head of Medical Gastroenterology Unit-III with effect from 1st November 2022 until further notice.
- **Dr. Leni Grace Mathew,** Professor & Head, Department of Paediatrics, is appointed as Head of the Division of Child Health with effect from 1st November 2022 until further notice.
- **Dr. Ravi Kishore B.S.S.,** Professor, is appointed as Head of the Department of Paediatric Surgery with effect from 29th October, 2022 for a four year term.

## **Congratulations!**

- **Dr. Lakshman,** Senior Resident, Department of Pulmonary Medicine won the first prize in Respiratory Quiz in 2022 APACI Respiratory Diseases on 28th August 2022.
- **Dr. Silvia J,** Final Year Postgraduate Registrar, Department of Pharmacology and Clinical Pharmacology, was awarded first prize for the oral presentation at the First Annual National Conference of the National Association of Pharmacology and Therapeutics, held at Father Muller Medical College, Mangaluru in October 2022.

## Obituary

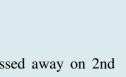
**Mrs. Sumitha L,** retired Staff Nurse, Main OR, wife of Mr. John Peter Raj passed away on 2nd November, 2022. Let us uphold her husband, two daughters and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayer.

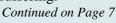
#### Notice

#### Dr. Ida B. Scudder Essay Competition

Dr. Ida Belle Scudder, affectionately known as Ida B. was the niece of Dr. Ida S. Scudder, the founder of Christian Medical College.

Ida B. was on the faculty of CMC for 36 years, serving as both Radiologist and Radiotherapist. She was known for her empathy for those in pain and her deep concern for the suffering.







#### Notice

The Ida B. Scudder essay competition was instituted to perpetuate her ideals. The prize of Rs.2000/will be awarded for the best essay on any subject related to the care of the sick that illustrates that the fullest possible identification with the patient is the best way to serve him / her and meet his / her needs.

#### **Rules of Competition :**

- 1. The competition is open to all CMC staff and students except the panel of judges or their families.
- 2. The essay should be in English and limited to a total of 2000 words.
- 3. This is not an essay about Dr. Ida B. Scudder, nor is it a theoretical essay about compassion, but should be something from your own personal experience.
- 4. The decision of the judges will be final.
- 5. Material taken from books and journals, which are quoted in the essay, should be acknowledged either by showing it as a quotation, or by adding a bibliography.
- 6. If the contestant has won this prize in an earlier year, the title and date of the prize winning essay should be quoted.
- 7. The last date for submitting entries is **November 15, 2022.** All entries should be sent to "The Director, C.M.C., Vellore" or to **directorate@cmcvellore.ac.in**
- 8. The prize will be awarded during the Founder's Day celebrations.

## **Situations Vacant**

**1.** Assistant Professor with MCI-recognized Postgraduate degree with MD (Paediatrics) for the Department of Cardiology - DM (Adult or Paediatric Cardiology) and minimum of one year experience as of December 2022, in Paediatric Cardiology Unit with cath lab can apply.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided: (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

## 2. Assistant Professor with MCI-recognized Postgraduate degree in DM (Cardiology) for the Department of Cardiology (Cardiac Electrophysiology & Pacing) Unit-IV

Candidate must have two years of experience in Cardiac Electrophysiology (Catheter Ablation & Pacing). Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided: (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

#### 3. Senior Resident with MS (OG) for the Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology Unit-II

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

#### 4. Senior Resident with MS (ENT) for the Department of E.N.T. Unit- IV

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

# **5. Senior Resident** with **MD Pathology / MD Transfusion Medicine** for the **Department of Transfusion Medicine & Immunohaematology**

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

#### 6. Senior Resident Gr.III with MD (Dermatology) for the Department of Dermatology Unit-II

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

#### 7. Senior Resident with MD / DNB (PMR) for the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus

(Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment). Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

### **Situations Vacant**

## **8. Occupational Therapist (Term Post)** with **BOT (Regular Course)** for the **Department of Psychiatry** Eligibility : CMC Graduates who have completed 2 years of service obligation.

Graduates from other colleges who have completed 4 years + 6 months of compulsory internship. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not Provided.

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 November 12, 2022 for Items 1, 2, 3, 4 and November 19, 2022 for Items 5, 6, 7 and November 21, 2022 for Item 8.

#### 9. Jr. Sterilization Technician (Project Mode) for the Operation Theatre (CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus)

Qualifications : H.Sc., with 2 Year Diploma in Hospital Sterilization Course from the recognized board. *Only male candidates need to apply.* Stipend : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 Years. *Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.* 

# 10. Jr. Instrument Technician (Project Mode) for the Department of Urology (CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus)

Qualifications : Candidate with Two Years Diploma in Urology Technician Course only from the recognized board. Age Limit : 35 Years. Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules. Job Description : Urology Technician to be posted in Urodynamic Room, Urology OPD, Urology OR, Lithotripsy, Uroflometry etc.,

#### 11. Graduate Technician Trainee for the Department of Endocrinology

Qualifications : Any Science Graduate from recognized university. Age Limit : 30 Years.
Stipend : As per institutional rules. *Only female candidates need to apply.*Nature of Job : To perform DEXA scans as a DEXA Technician. *Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.*

# 12. Jr. Emergency Care Technician (Project Mode) for the Department of Emergency Medicine (Main Campus / CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus)

Qualifications : B.Sc. (Emergency Care Technician Course) with one year Internship.

*Note : Only Recognized University / Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.* Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 Years.

Job description : To work in the Department of Emergency Medicine and to do shift duties.

# **13. Jr. Molecular Genetics Technician (Project Mode)** for the **Department of Clinical Haematology (CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus)**

Qualifications : B.Sc., Life Science (First class) with PG Diploma in Applied Molecular Genetic Method. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : Below 35 Years.

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

# **14. Graduate Technician (External Designation - Project)** for the **Department of Endocrinology** Qualifications : Any Graduate from the Recognized University

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

Age Limit : 35 Years. Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules.

Job Description:- To work in the ICMR project as a non-medical coordinator. Duration : Six months. *Applications to be done only through online application system.* 

Please login 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 November 14, 2022 for Items 9, 10, and November 21, 2022 for Items 11, 12, 13 and 14. *Continued on Page 9* 8

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**15. Field Worker** to work in a project on Term Appointment basis. The term of appointment is co-terminus with the duration of the project. The project will be implemented under **Haematology.** The name of the project is "Outreach Programme for Screening, Prevention (And Treatment) of Inherited Genetic Disorders in Aspirational Districts for Social Benefit".

Qualifications : Any Degree. Age Limit : 30 Years and below.

Consolidates Salary : As per institutional Norms.

People who have worked in Washim District area will be given preference.

Knowledge of Marathi / Hindi will be an added advantage.

Please log on to http://www.cmch-vellore.edu

Link : General - "Vacancies". Tab : "Field Worker".

#### 16. Management Trainee for the Medical Superintendent Office

Qualifications : Fulltime MBA / MHA / Bachelors in Engineering / Masters in any Science discipline / Bachelors in any Health Sciences / P.G. Diploma in Hospital Administration / Bachelor in Pharmacy from Govt. recognized Universities.

Stipend : As per institutional norms. Age Limit : 30 years and below.

Requirements : Candidates should posses good communication and computer skills.

Please log on to http://www.cmch-vellore.edu

Link: General - "Vacancies". Tab : "Management Trainee".

# 17. Jr. Administrative Assistant - Hospital Management Studies and Staff Training Department (Project Mode)

Qualifications : Graduate + 1 year PGDHA or 3 years experience in CMC / FHA. Age Limit : 30 years and below. Consolidated Salary : As per institutional norms.

Please log on to **http://www.cmch-vellore.edu** Link: General - "Vacancies". Tab : "Management Trainee".

Link: General - Vacancies . Tab : Management Trainee .

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

Apply on or before November 16, 2022 for Item 15 and November 21, 2022 for Items 16 and 17.

**18.** Applications invited for the post of **Administrative Officer** for **Reynolds Memorial Hospital & Affiliated Clinics (RMH), a Christian mission hospital located in Washim, Maharashtra** (jointly managed by CMC Vellore, Emmanuel Hospital Association & Church of the Nazarene).

Qualifications: Master's degree in Hospital Administration, Business Management, Finance or related fields. Medical Background preferable but not mandatory.

Experience : Minimum of 5 years' experience in Hospital Administration.

Preference will be given to those with work experience in a Christian mission hospital. The position requires good working knowledge of the overall operation of hospital and good Financial and Human resource management skills and understanding of legal matters especially in the context of Maharashtra.

Location of Job : Reynolds Memorial Hospital, Washim, Maharashtra.

Salary : As per institutional rules of RMH.

Apply with bio-data along with photocopies and send scanned PDF file to **missionsoffice@cmcvellore.ac.in** on or before **December 15, 2022.** 

# Christian Medical College Vellore NEWSLINE



**NOVEMBER 14, 2022** 

He tends his flock like her shepherd: he gathers the lambs in his arms... Isaiah 40:11

## Workshop organised by Nambikkai Nilayam, Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Unit



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Nambikkai Nilayam, Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Unit organised a workshop on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022 on the Social & Financial planning aspects for parents of children with special needs. Speakers for the day included Ms.Poonam Natarajan former chairperson National Trust, Government of India and founder of NGO "Vidyasagar", Chennai, Mr.Gopinath Ramakrishnan Co-founder SCAN (Special Child Assistance Network) Chennai, Ms.Jayalakshmi, Special Educator at Vidyasagar and Mr.Piyush Rakhecha IIM graduate M.B.A (Finance). The workshop took in limited participants, and was conducted via a hybrid mode with 55 parents attending on-site and 11 parents who joined online.

Parents of children and adolescents with special needs are apprehensive about the future prospects of their child. The uncertainties in the transfer of care and management of finances after their lifetime are legitimate fears of these parents. During childhood, parents often tend to focus on their child's developmental needs and avoid looking for answers to the question "Who after me, for my child?"

#### Workshop organised by Nambikkai Nilayam, Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Unit

This workshop served as a platform for parents to understand the significance of planning ahead and explore various opportunities for financial planning and be aware of policies concerning social security aspects for children with special needs existing in our country. Parents who attended gave feedback that the sessions were very informative and many unspoken concerns about their children were addressed through the event.

#### Essay and Drawing Competition on the theme 'Obesity and Diabetes'



In commemoration of the World Diabetes Day, the Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes & Metabolism at CMC had conducted an essay and painting competition for school students and a quiz programme for teachers from Vellore and Chittoor on October  $22^{nd}$ , 2022 at Darling Residency, Vellore. **The topics for the competitions were:** 

#### Painting Competition : Obesity and Diabetes.

#### Essay Competition : After COVID, is there a risk for diabetes and How to Prevent it?

#### Teachers Quiz : General Health and non-communicable diseases-Scientific aspects and History.

For the essay, painting and teachers quiz competitions, 172 students and 34 teachers representing 28 Schools took part. The **Chief Guest** for the event was Professor Mammen Chandy, former Head Department of Haematology, CMC Vellore and Former Director of Tata Medical Center.

The visually delightful paintings garnered with pristine creativity, were judged by **Mrs. Anu Mammen, Former Principal. Vidyalayam School, Dr. Meera Thomas, Professor, Department of Pathology, CMC Vellore and Mrs. Menaka, Professor, of Pediatric Nursing, CMC Vellore.** 

The winners of the painting competition were Ms. Niranjana from DAV Bhel School and Ms.Kashika RV from Fiitjee Global School shared the 1<sup>st</sup> Prize, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize shared by Ms. Sadhana from DAV Bhel School, Ms. Aarusksha and Ms. Valentina from Springdays CBSE School. The 3<sup>rd</sup> prize went to Ms. Rajashri from Maharishi Vidya Mandir Senior Secondary School.

Consolation prizes were awarded to Ms.Rupika from Madras Matriculation Higher Secondary School, Mr. Loknath and Mr. Naveen Kumar from Sunbeam School, Mr.Vijaykanth from Kingston International Academy, Ms. Shalin and Ms. Divya Darshini from Freedom Concept School, Ms.Harshika from Lakshmi Garden School, Ms. Akshita from BMD Jain School, Ms. Saasana from Springdays CBSE School and Ms. Keerthana from Fiitjee Global School. The Quiz competition winners were Mrs.Savithri and Mrs. Durga Devi from Spark CBSE School won the 1<sup>st</sup> Prize, the second prize went to Mrs.Saritha and Mrs. Aruna Kumari from Shrishti Vidyashram and the 3<sup>rd</sup> prize went to Mrs. Baskar Reddy and Ms. Mythili from DAV Bhel School.

The winners of essay competition will be declared after peer review. Prizes will be awarded during the valedictory function which will be held in February - March, 2023. For the Pictures and Videos kindly visit the following link : https://www.cmcendovellore.org/world-diabetes-day-celebration-2022/

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## Essay and Drawing Competition on the theme 'Obesity and Diabetes'





















## **Annual Post Graduate Refresher Course in Dermatology**



The Department of Dermatology, Venereology and Leprosy, Christian Medical College, Vellore organized a Post Graduate Refresher Course on 14th and 15th October, 2022. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. Mary Jacob, Professor and Former Head of Dermatology who also gave a brief history of the Department. Dr. Solomon Sathishkumar, Principal, CMC, Vellore, Dr. Susanne Pulimood, Organizing Chairperson, Dr. Dincy Peter, Head of the Department of Dermatology and Rev. Rachita Rout also graced the inaugural function.

The two day programme was aimed at enhancing the knowledge of post graduates and practising dermatologists. The first day of the course focused on exam based topics in both theory and practicals. The morning sessions were on clinical spotters, OSCEs, stations on wet

wrap therapy and baths in dermatology, demonstration of splints used in leprosy and dermatopathology spotters. The afternoon sessions were on Leprosy, Sexually Transmitted infections and immunobullous disorders which were delivered by experts in these fields from CMC and outside institutions.

The second day of the programme had talks by eminent physicians from CMC on management of systemic manifestations and complications of common dermatology conditions seen in our clinical practice. The conference concluded with a quiz for the post graduates. The CME was attended by 212 delegates including post graduates and faculty from various colleges across South India and received a good response from the attendees. It was awarded 20 credit points by the Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR Medical University.

## November 13-19, 2022 **Special Prayers This Week**

Laundry : Mrs. Sonia Valas and Staff

Hospital Maintenance : Dr. Samuel N.J. David and Staff

#### **Baptish Church of Mizoram**

Council Members : Rev. R. Lalnunzira Dr. Lalramzauva

College Maintenance : Mrs. Indhumathi and Staff Hospitals : Christian Hospital, Serkawn Christian Hospital, Lawngtlai. Security Services : Mr. K. Sundaram and Staff



## Memoranda

• Dr. Judy Ann John, Professor, will continue as Head of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Unit-I with effect from 10<sup>th</sup> November 2022 until further notice.

• Dr. Jacob George, Professor and Head, Department of Physical and Rehabilitation will continue as Head of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Unit-II with effect from 16th December 2022 until further notice.

## **Congratulations!**

• The Clinical Toxicology Unit and Poisons' Information Centre, Department of Medicine Unit-I was conferred the award for the best new Toxicology Centre in a hospital / institute - 2022 at the 16th Annual National Conference of the Indian Society of Toxicology held on 4th and 5th November 2022 at the Kasturba Medical College, Mangalore, Karnataka.

• Dr. Priscilla Rupali, Professor and Head, Department of Infectious Diseases has been named a Fellow by the Infectious Diseases Society of America, the nation's leading infectious diseases professional society. Fellowship in IDSA is one of the highest honors in the field of infectious diseases. It recognizes distinguished physicians and scientists from the United States and around the world who have achieved professional excellence and provided significant service to the profession. **Continued on Page 5** 

## **Congratulations!**

• Dr. Ancy Elsa Thomas, Assistant Professor, Department of Pulmonary Medicine has successfully passed HERMES-European Examination in Adult Respiratory Medicine.

• Dr. Richu Bob Kurien, Assistant Professor, Department of Pulmonary Medicine has successfully passed HERMES-European Examination in Adult Respiratory Medicine.

## **Obituaries**

• Mr. Boopathy, father of Ms. Preethi B, Staff Nurse, SICU passed away on 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2022. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• Mr. P.S. Ramachandran, father of Mr. Rajesh R, Office Facilitator, Medical College, Registrar Office, CMC College Campus, passed away on 14th November, 2022. Let us uphold his daughters-in-law Mrs. Vishnu Priya, MCTT, CMC, Mrs. Revathy Rajesh, Office Facilitator, Rehab Institute and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

## **Situations Vacant**

#### 1. Assistant Professor with D.M. (Neurology) for the Department of Neurology

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

#### 2. Assistant Professor / Senior Resident with MD / DNB (Paediatrics) for the Department of Paediatrics (Paediatric ICU)

Candidates with prior experience in Paediatric Critical Care or Fellowship / DM Qualification in Paediatric Critical Care are preferred. Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Subject to Availability).

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

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

#### 3. Senior Resident / Assistant Professor with MD (PMR) for the Department of P.M.R. (Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation)

Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as Assistant Professor in any NMC recognised teaching institution for applying Assistant Professor Job.

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". Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted. Applications will close by November 19, 2022 for Items 1, 2 and November 26, 2022 for Item 3.

4. Medical Officer for the Department of Community Health

Job Code : 1454

Qualification: MBBS. Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided. Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to http://www.cmch-vellore.edu Link : General - "Vacancies". Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted. Applications will close by November 28, 2022 for Item 4.

5. Asst. Social Worker (Project Mode) for the Department of Emergency Medicine (CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus). Qualifications : M.S.W / M.A., (Social Work / Sociology) / M.Sc., (Medical Sociology). Consolidated Pay: As per institutional rules. Age Limit: 35 Years. Accommodation not provided. Note : Only regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted. Job Description : Counseling, Care and Support of People coming to Emergency Department.

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 November 28, 2022 for Item 5.

# Christian Medical College Vellore NEWSLINE



**NOVEMBER 21, 2022** 

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine upon us. Psalm 67:1

## Child Health Department Celebrates Children's Day



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Children's day was celebrated with competitions, entertainment, prizes and fun on November 14<sup>th</sup> morning, at the Q5 North terrace. Many children came with red roses and participated in the celebration accompanied by their mothers and care givers and they were welcomed by Dr. Mary Johnson, Head of Paediatric Nursing department. Dr. Jolly Chandran, Associate Director, Mrs. Linda Christopher, Associate Nursing Superintendent, Mr. David Chandran, General superintendent, Mr. Benny Paul Wilson, Deputy Medical Superintendent, Rev. Dr. Aruldhas, Head of Chaplaincy department and Mr. Durai Jasper, PRO embraced the celebration. Dr.Jolly Chandran brought the Director's greetings to the children and adults gathered. Children and adults alike enjoyed the entertainment put up by the staff of Paediatric Nursing department. Children were dressed in traditional dresses of different states and demonstrated their unity in diversity by enacting in the patriotic song and planted rose saplings along with the dignitaries in memory of Jawaharlal Nehru who loved children and roses. Children spoke about Chacha Nehru and his contribution to the country. Prizes were given to the winners of the colouring and drawing competition. Mrs.Ruma Nayak thanked everyone for their presence and contributions.

## **Child Health Department Celebrates Children's Day**



## **Broad Specialty Post Graduate Retreat 2022**

**Broad Specialty Post Graduate Retreat 2022** was conducted in two phases in Shalom, Yelagiri, on 18<sup>th</sup> September and 16<sup>th</sup> October 2022. 45 PG Registrars actively participated in the retreat. Dr. Deepak Abraham and Dr. Kenny David were the resource persons. Dr. Solomon Sathishkumar, Principal, Dr. Tripti M Jacob, Vice Principal (PG), Dr. Santosh Benjamin, Dr. Vijay Anand, Dr. Ann Vijay Anand, Dr. Dan Barnabas Inja, Rev. Deepak Gnana Prakash and Rev. Dr. Arul Dhas also were present as felicitators.



# **Community Thanksgiving and Commissioning Service - Renolds Memorial Hospital & A.C.**

A Community Thanksgiving and Commissioning Service for the Medical Superintendent and Acting Executive Director of Reynolds Memorial Hospital, Dr. Rhoda Faith was held on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022 at Reynolds Memorial Hospital in the Nazarene Nurses Training College auditorium. Reynolds Memorial Hospital & Affiliated Clinics is a Christian mission hospital located in Washim, Maharashtra and is jointly managed by Christian Medical College Vellore, Emmanuel Hospital Association & Church of the Nazarene.

Dr. Rhoda Faith belongs to the MBBS Batch of 2011 and did her postgraduation in Medicine at CMC Vellore. She takes up this crucial role of



overseeing efforts to revive the services at Reynolds Memorial Hospital, which has been a witness to the healing ministry of Christ in this region for the past 84 years since 1938.

The Thanksgiving service was led by Rev. Sadanand Kharat, Rev. Diwakar Wankhede, Rev Prabhakar L. Manmote and 4 other pastors from the Church of the Nazarene. The community thanked God for the legacy of the founder Dr. Orpha Speicher and the commitment of many who had served at RMH (Reynolds Memorial Hospital) and for the developments in the past 5 years of the partnership since 2017. Dr. Rhoda was then commissioned to be the new Medical Superintendent and Acting Executive Director of Reynolds Memorial Hospital by the biblical practice of laying of hands.

Mr. George Williamson, representing the Church of the Nazarene Eurasia and Dr. Julie Hephzibah, Deputy Director Missions, CMC Vellore spoke to the gathering and encouraged them to come together and work towards rebuilding the services. Dr. Eunice Sindhuvi, Professor, Department of Haematology CMC Vellore who has been conducting and overseeing a DBT Project at RMH and Dr. Arun Jose, Associate Professor, Department of Biochemistry were the special invitees.

The beautiful choir led the community in praising God for his faithfulness over the years. May God guide Dr. Rhoda Faith with His wisdom as she carries the torch of CMC in leading RMH to be a home of the healing God.



#### November 20-26, 2022

#### **Special Prayers This Week**

Urology : Dr. Santosh Kumar and Staff Dr. Chandrasingh J. and Staff Dr. Nirmal T.J. and Staff Dr. Rajiv Paul Mukha and Staff Mrs. Regina Xavier and Staff *The Leprosy Mission Trust India* Council Members : Dr. Premal Das Dr. Famkima Darlong Hospital : TLM Hospitals, Chandkhuri, Faizabad, Naini, Purulia, Kothara and others.



#### Welcome

Dr. Priya Abraham, Professor, Department of Clinical Virology, on her return from sabbatical leave.

## **Congratulations!**

• **Dr. Joy Sarojini Michael,** Professor of Microbiology, on being elected to be on the State Task Force for the National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme and to serve as the Vice Chairperson.

The following Awards were won at the **NAPEM-2022** (National Assembly On Paediatric Emergency Medicine) Conference held at AIIMS Raipur, Chhattisgarh from 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> November, 2022.

• Dr. Melvin Danny, Third Year Post Graduate, Paediatrics, won the third prize for Oral Presentation of paper titled 'Efficacy And Safety of Oral Levetiracetam Versus Phenytoin as a Maintenance Therapy in Developmentally Normal Children with Seizures: An Observational Study'.

• **Dr. Ilakya Devadas,** Post Doctoral Fellow has Completed Post Doctoral Fellowship In Paediatric Emergency Medicine, CMC, Vellore in 2021 and has worked for 1 Year as Sr from 03.09.2021 to 02.09.2022. She has won the first prize for Oral Presentation of Paper Titled 'Accidental Foreign Body Aspiration in Children - A 10 year experience at a Tertiary Care Hospital in Southern India'.

• The following Junior faculty and Registrar won prizes in various categories at the recently concluded national conference Napeon at Udaipur between 10<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2022.

**Dr. Richu Bob Kurien**, won first prize in Pulmonology Quiz, organised by Mankind Pharmaceuticals. **Dr. Ancy Elsa Thomas**, won second prize in Pulmonology Quiz, organised by Mankind Pharmaceuticals. **Dr. Jonnalagadda Aswith Chowdary**, won third prize under ICS J.C. Kothari Young Scientist Awards 2022.

## **Sports News**

**Founders Day Staff Sports** track and field events will be held on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2022 (Saturday) at 2.00 p.m. at the Christian Medical College, Oval ground, Bagayam.

Men
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100 mts.100 m200 mts.200 m400 mts.Long ju1500 mts.DiscusDiscus ThrowShot pLong jump4 x 10Shot put400 m4 x 100 mts. Relay

Women

100 mts. 200 mts. Long jump Discus Throw Shot put 4 x 100 mts. Relay 400 mts. Above 40 years Events 100 mts. Walking race Shotput

## **Sports News**

The interested staff members are hereby informed to contact the following staff members and register your names, spot entries also will be accepted.

Note : Individual can take part in maximum 4 events excluding relay.

1. Mr. Naveena Krishnan,	Physical Director, College of Nursing	- 7016	- 99940 23416
2. Mr. Walter Nixon	Radiology Department	- 2822	- 98431 82611
3. Mr. Prakash	MCTT	- 3604	- 99449 02637
4. Mr. Wilson	Electrical Department	- 2045	- 92443 16222
5. Mr. Chindhanai Selvan	MCTT	- 3604	- 96002 52499
6. Dr. Balaganesan	Physical Director	- 4478	- 94436 28333

## Notices

#### • MBA in Hospital and Health Systems Management (HHSM)

MBA (HHSM) is a 4 semester Work Integrated Learning Programme conducted in collaboration with Birla Institute of Technology & Science (BITS), Pilani, Christian Medical College (CMC), Vellore and Bombay Hospital, Mumbai.

This course provides a unique opportunity to experience firsthand administration and allow participants to learn firsthand how to efficiently run the day-to-day operations and manage the various functions of a large hospital. The programme emphasizes on Experiential Learning that allows learners to apply concepts learnt in classroom in simulated and real work situations through:

- Hospital immersion sessions at CMC Vellore.
- Simulation & Modeling exercises
- Case Studies and Assignments
- Project Work
- Digital Learning
- Continuous Assessment

**Eligibility :** Minimum eligibility to apply: Employed professionals in the healthcare industry, holding an MBBS/ Integrated First Degree of BITS Pilani or its equivalent with at least 60% aggregate marks, and minimum one year of relevant work experience are eligible to apply to this programme.

The programme is designed for :

• Doctors, Dentists, and other Medical professionals working in Public / Private/ Non-profit hospitals who are involved in the management and administration of the hospital and related services.

• Doctors, Dentists, and other Medical professionals who are running their own hospitals and want to enhance their management skills to deliver superior service and improve the top line and bottom line.

• Para-Medical professionals working in the healthcare industry and looking to upgrade their skills and there by accelerate their career growth.

• Non-medical professionals working in the healthcare industry in support and administrative functions who are looking to upgrade their skills and thereby accelerate their career growth. These would include professionals working in such diverse areas as Finance, Billing, HR, Customer Service, Hospital Supplies, and General Administration.

Admission : Application is usually advertised twice a year from BITS (online) in March/April and October/November. Applicants must apply before the last date after obtaining prior permission from their employer. Admission is open for January intake and the last date for applying is 5<sup>th</sup> December 2022. Interest candidates could access the following link for more information: https://bits-pilani-wilp.ac.in/mba/hospital-health-systems-management.php

If you need any clarification please contact Dr. Samuel N.J. David, Assoc. G.S. & Sr. Manager & H.O.D, Hospital Management Studies & Staff Training on 3535, who is also the course co-ordinator for this programme.

## Notices

#### • American Heart Association – International Training Centre (CMC, Vellore) American Heart Association – Basic Life Support Course (AHA-BLS) Provider level course

American Heart Association -Basic Life Support (AHA-BLS) provider level course will be held on the **20<sup>th</sup> December 2022** at the C K Job Hall, Paul brand building, CMC, Vellore. This one day course is designed for healthcare providers (Doctors, Nurses and Paramedics) and the curriculum consists of video based, interactive lectures and skills training in Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR), use of Automated External Defibrillator and relieve choking in a safe, timely and effective manner to **all ages – Adult, Pediatric and Infants.** The number of participants is strictly restricted to 18 per course as per AHA guidelines. **The registration fee is Rs.3000/-** (cost of study materials included) and the last date for registration is **10<sup>th</sup> December 2022. For registrations, Please contact** Mrs.Kothai or Mr. Ganesh, **Paediatric ICU (Phone No.0416-228-3366).** 

#### American Heart Association – Pediatric Advanced Life Support (AHA PALS) course

The AHA-PALS course will be held on the 21<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2022 at the C K Job Hall, Paul brand building, CMC, Vellore. This well known Paediatric Advanced Life Support Course, accredited by the American Heart Association and American Academy of Paediatrics, is valid internationally. The number of participants is strictly restricted to 18 as per AHA guidelines. The registration fee is Rs. 7000/- (cost of study materials included). The last date for registration is 5<sup>th</sup> December 2022. This two day course is designed for healthcare providers (Doctors, Nurses, Paramedics) who initiate advanced life care in acutely ill children, beyond basic life support, through the stabilization or transport phases of a paediatric emergency. The course consists of lectures, videos, discussions and hands - on sessions based on simulated case scenarios and aims to train the participants in early recognition and emergency management of critically ill children with an emphasis on team concept. For enquiries and registration, please contact Mrs. Kothai or Mr. Ganesh, Paediatric ICU (Phone No.0416-228-3366).

## **Obituaries**

• Mrs. Maheswari Jayavel, Nursing Auxiliary (TSSU - Main OR) passed away on 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2022. Let us uphold her husband, daughter and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• Mr. Paul Swamy Devar, father of Mr. Jayaraman, Sel. Gr. Rural Community Officer in RUHSA Department, CMC passed away on 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2022. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• Mr. Victor Manogaran, father of Mrs. Asha Malini, Staff III Receptionist in IRO, MS Office, CMC passed away on 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2022. Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Lalitha Victor, son-in-law Mr. Fredrick, grandchildren Ms. Evelyn Viviliya, Ms. Evangeline Grazya and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Dr. Bimal Kumar Masih** (MBBS batch of 1953) passed away on 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2022. Dr. Bimal Kumar Masih joined for his MBBS course in CMC in the year 1953. Later, he completed his M.S. in surgery from CMC Ludhiana and moved to the U.S in 1968. Dr. Bimal completed his Urology training from UCLA and became the first UCLA Urology resident to join Kaiser Permanente Medical Group where he passionately treated patients for 49 years. He was a kind and generous man who left this world a better place.



Dr. Bimal Kumar Masih passed away peacefully on 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2022. He is survived by his loving wife Sulabha of 56 years, his children Ajay and Shalita, and 5 wonderful grandchildren.

For those who would like to get in touch with the family, the contact information is given below : Dr. Sulabha Masih. Email : **sulabh2577@gmail.com** 

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

## **Obituaries**

• Dr. Padma Joseph (nee Solomon) (MBBS batch of 1945) passed away on 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2022 in Chennai, just 2 weeks short of her 95th birthday. Born on November 11, 1926, in Sri Lanka, Dr. Padma spent her early childhood in Nagercoil and later moved with her family to Chennai. Her father, Mr. G. Solomon, was the 1st Indian General Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA). Growing up, Dr. Padma nurtured the dream of becoming a doctor and after 2 years of Intermediate studies at the Women's Christian College (WCC), she applied to Christian Medical College (CMC) Vellore for the MBBS course.

She was among 25 selected out of 150 candidates in 1945. In one of her memoirs, she records how she was initially homesick at Vellore and wanted to return to Chennai to join Madras Medical College. However, a chat with Dr. Cochrane, the Principal and Dr. Ida Scudder convinced her to stay on, a decision she never regretted. She used to talk about "Aunt Ida", ever smiling and always available for a chat. Dr. Ida would allow the students to play with her silvery silken hair and cuddle with her pet pomeranian, Granny! Dr. Padma also remembered the happy times at sing-song sessions with her and Miss Trevor Marshall at the Big Bungalow. She enjoyed her time at CMC;

her friends fondly recall her sense of humour, love for music (she played the piano and guitar) and cricket, all while she excelled at her studies.

After completing her MBBS, she married Mr. Nulraj Joseph, a professor of Mechanical Engineering at the College of Engineering. Guindy, Chennai, who later retired as the Principal, Govt. College of Technology, Coimbatore. After returning to Chennai, she worked as an Honorary assistant surgeon in many government hospitals, including the Government Kasturba Gandhi Hospital (a.k.a Gosha Hospital) Chennai for many years. In 1959, after being blessed with 2 children, Dr. Padma pursued her DGO and later MD in Obstetrics and Gynaecology at the Institute of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Egmore, Chennai. She stayed at the hostel during her entire training period, and her husband and children would visit her over the weekends. After training, she practised as an independent consultant at different nursing homes for a few years but was dissatisfied with the standards of practice and decided to set up her own nursing home. In 1975, the 'Ritherdon Nursing Home' was inaugurated. She ensured her patients got the highest standard of care. She meticulously maintained patient records with her neat handwriting.

Her popularity grew in Chennai as a skilled surgeon who rarely performed caesarean sections unless indicated. Though this often meant long hours in the labour room, she was always calm and composed, exhibited clarity in decision-making, and remained undaunted through it all. These unique traits helped her carry her successful practice well into her 80s until she hung up her stethoscope in 2015. Even after she retired from active practice, many of her patients often sought her advice and would visit her at home. Despite being a successful practitioner, she was always approachable and the primary go-to for family and friends who sought her counsel for medical and non-medical needs. Apart from work, she had plenty of other interests. She stitched using her electric sewing machine, enjoyed baking and reading. Her hand stitches and darning were always as neat and precise as her sutures in surgery! She was also very involved in raising funds for the National Missionary Society (NMS). She would stitch up to 40 sets of bedsheets and pillow covers every year, which she neatly packed with a Bible verse cut from old calendars. These would be sold at the annual NMS fundraising sale. She remained in touch with many of her friends from college and her early workplace, and these friendships cheered her even when she was eventually bed-bound for the last year.

Her husband, who was always encouraging and incredibly supportive of her practice, passed away in 2002. Her son, Dr. Paul Chandran Joseph, is an ophthalmologist in Chennai and her daughter Sunalini Ramesh is a music teacher in Bangalore.

She inspired 3 of her 4 grandchildren to pursue Medicine – Dr. Rohan Ramesh, (CMC PG alumnus, MD Community Medicine- batch of 2012), married Dr. Tryphena Selwyn (CMC MBBS batch of 2002),

Dr. Roshni Joseph, an ophthalmologist, married Dr. Albert Kota (CMC MBBS batch of 2000),

Dr. Karuna Joseph, (CMC PG alumnus, DGO/MD-OG- batch of 2015) married Dr. Andrew Christudoss (CMC MBBS batch of 2009) and Rinila Ramesh is an early childhood educator in Bangalore.

She also had the rare privilege of delivering 3 of her 6 great-grandchildren at the Ritherdon Nursing Home (now Shalom Medical Centre). Those who may wish to get in touch with her family may do so: 7

Sunalini Ramesh (Daughter) : ramsujosh@yahoo.com

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





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## **Situations Vacant**

**1. Senior Resident** with **MD Pathology / Transfusion Medicine / Microbiology** for the **CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus** Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

2. Senior Resident with D.M. (Neurology) for the Department of Neurology

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". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted*. Applications will close by December 03, 2022 for Item 1 and December 10, 2022 for Item 2.

## 3. AHS Medical Lab Technician (Project Mode) and Asst. Lab Auxillary (Project Mode) for the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus

3(a) AHS Medical Lab. Technician. Qualifications : B.Sc., (MLT) from the Recognized University.

3(b) Asst. Laboratory Auxillary. Qualifications : B.Sc., Life Sciences (Botany, Zoology & Biochemistry) + One Year In-service Training as Laboratory Auxiliary (Phlebotomist Training).
Age Limit : 35Years. Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules.
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 **December 05, 2022** for Items 3(a) and 3(b).

#### 4. Jr. Administrative Assistant (Project Mode) for Directorate (Missions Outreach Office)

Qualifications : Graduate + 1 year PGDHA (or equivalent) or 3 years experience in CMC / FHA (or equivalent). Age Limit : 30 years and below. Consolidated Salary : As per institutional norms.

Candidates with 3 to 5 years of experience in co-ordinating various activities relating to mission hospitals with good written and oral communication skills will be preferred.

Please log on to http://www.cmch-vellore.edu

Link: General-"Vacancies". Tab : "Jr. Administrative Assistant".

#### Applications should be made online. Applications through other Job Portals will not be considered. Apply on or before November 28, 2022 for Item 4.

5. Applications are invited for the post of Teacher in Balavihar Kids Corner

Qualification : Montessori / TTC / Any Degree.

Preference will be given to the female candidates who are fluent in English, have a teaching experience and are below 30 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 **November 28, 2022** for item 5.

**6.** Applications invited for the post of **Administrative Officer** for **Reynolds Memorial Hospital & Affiliated Clinics** (**RMH**), a Christian mission hospital located in Washim, Maharashtra (jointly managed by CMC Vellore, Emmanuel Hospital Association & Church of the Nazarene).

Qualifications: Master's degree in Hospital Administration, Business Management, Finance or related fields. Medical Background preferable but not mandatory.

Experience : Minimum of 5 years' experience in Hospital Administration.

Preference will be given to those with work experience in a Christian mission hospital. The position requires good working knowledge of the overall operation of hospital and good Financial and Human resource management skills and understanding of legal matters especially in the context of Maharashtra.

Location of Job : Reynolds Memorial Hospital, Washim, Maharashtra.

Salary : As per institutional rules of RMH.

Apply with bio-data along with photocopies and send scanned PDF file to

#### missionsoffice@cmcvellore.ac.in on or before December 15, 2022.



## Christian Medical College Vellore NEWSLINE

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Praise be to the Lord, to God our Saviour who daily bears our burderns. Psalm 68:19

## THE WEEK Survey - Best Hospitals in India

	RANK	HOSPITAL	CITY
(	1	Christian Medical College	Vellore
	2	Apollo Hospitals	Chennai
	3	Medanta - The Medicity	Gurugram
	4	Indraprastha Apollo Hospitals	Delhi
· ·	5	Kokilaben Dhirubhai Ambani Hospital & Medical Research Institute	Mumbai
BEST	6	Sir Ganga Ram Hospital	Delhi
the second se	7	Apollo Health City	Hyderabad
MULTISPECIALITY	8	Manipal Hospitals, HAL Airport Road	Bengaluru
HOSPITALS	9	P.D. Hinduja Hospital & Medical Research Centre	Mumbai
	10	Max Super Speciality Hospital, Saket	Delhi
PRIVATE	11	Amrita Institute of Medical Sciences (Amrita Hospitals)	Kochi

CMC Vellore is awarded the best multispeciality private hospital South Zone, India by THE WEEK Best Hospitals Awards 2022.

The Award was received by Dr. Prasad Mathews, Medical Superintendent from V.K. Saxena, Lieutenant General of Delhi.



## Graduation Ceremony-Medical Undergraduates and Postgraduates



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On the 14th of November 2022, the College got together to celebrate the achievements of her students in the Graduation Ceremony for Undergraduates of the MBBS batch of 2017 as well as Postgraduates and PhD graduates who completed their courses in 2021-2022. Dr. Kuruvilla Varkey, Senior Consultant in Medicine at the Christian Fellowship Hospital, Oddanchatram, former Chairman of the CMC Vellore Council and winner of the Paul Harrison award, was the Chief Guest for the ceremony. The slight drizzle at the beginning of the ceremony couldn't dampen the spirit of celebration as the traditional jasmine chain carried by the final year medical students and led by the student president, Ms. Betty Isabel Gloria, led the procession of graduates and faculty into the auditorium. The auditorium was packed with well-wishers and the ceremony was live streamed on the internet for viewing by friends and family near and far. The Director, Dr. Vikram Mathews who chaired the ceremony. welcomed the gathering and introduced the Chief Guest. The auditorium resounded with cheers for the Siver and Blue as

the gatherings sang the College Song. Songs and prayers of invocation, blessings and best wishes for the postgraduates, charges and solemn pledges all came together to make the events special for the attendees.

In his address to the graduates, Dr. Kuruvilla Varkey congratulated them on their achiev ments and reminded them that they have been chosen for a purpose and with a purpose; that they have been given much and therefore must not ask what they can get out of their degree but rather where they can carry this gift of knowledge; and that they have been sent as a river of healing to where it is most needed. He gave them four pieces of advice

#### Graduation Ceremony-Medical Undergraduates and Postgraduates

to carry with them on their journey: to create a counterculture of selflessness, unlike the current societal ideal; to stand in the gap looking at examples of people who have done so in areas of need; to strive for excellence looking at the example of Jesus as the perfect servant leader; and finally to take risks and take sides, finding difficult paths and being voices for the voiceless. The Registrar presented the undergraduates, and faculty from various disciplines presented the postgraduates to the Principal, Dr. Solomon Sathishkumar. The chief guest honoured the recipients of various special undergraduate, postgraduate and research prizes that were presented by the respective Vice Principals. The winner of the Drs. Molly Thomas and Thomas Bhanu Award for the best teacher was Dr. Anand Zachariah, Professor of Medicine. Dr.Gordon Mervyn Rangad received the prestigious Dr. Paul Harrison Award for meritorious Service. The ceremony ended with a benediction, the singing of the Alma Mater and the National Anthem. We are grateful for God's providence and for the achievements of our students, and wish them well in their journeys ahead.



Dr. Anand Zachariah receives the Drs. Molly Thomas and Thomas Bhanu award for the best teacher



. Gordon Mervyn Rangad honoured with the Dr. Paul Harrison award for meritorious service



## Graduation Day for Medical Undergraduates and Postgraduates



## Flood Lights at the Oval Ground

**Flood lights at the oval ground** were inaugurated on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2022 followed by staff student hockey, cricket and football matches. The flood lights were donated by the MBBS batch of 1997 during their 25<sup>th</sup> year alumni reunion in August 2022.



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#### **Special Prayers This Week**

Choir and their ministries

Service Association of the Christian Church

United Church Board of World Ministries Council Member : Dr. Ajit G. Singh

#### Welcome

Dr. Anu Mary Oommen, Professor, Community Health Department, on her return from study leave.

## **Congratulations!**

Dr. Kulkarni Sanika Mahesh Mansi, Associate Research Officer, Department of Clinical Microbiology has been awarded best poster in the 16<sup>th</sup> Asian Conference on Diarrhoeal Disease (ASCODD) and Nutrition in Kolkata, India on 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2022.

#### Retirement

Mrs. Premakumari, Sr.Gr.Staff Nurse Gr.I is retired on 30th October, 2022 after serving this institution for 31 years. She completed General Nursing course in October 1986 and Midwifery course in July 1987 from CMC, Vellore and joined as Staff Nurse in Main OR in 1987. She resigned in May 1989 to complete her obligation in CSI Hospital, Vandavasi and rejoined in August 1991 as Staff Nurse in Main OR (Recovery Room) and worked till retirement.

She is pleasant, cheerful, cooperative staff with good interpersonal relationship with team members. She maintains equipment in good working condition to ensure timely interventions to patients. She updates her knowledge & skill and also teachers juniors to manage post-operative patients.

Her husband Mr. Paulson is a retired Superintendent in Transport (TNSTC) department, Vellore. Her daughter Ms. Aleena, completed M.Sc.(N) in Ramachandra Hospital, Porur and working as a Lecturer in Nightingale College of Nursing, Bangalore, is married to Dr. Vasanthraj, Cardiology IV, CMC. Vellore. Her son Mr. Aneesh is doing his 1st year M.BA. in Koshi College, Bangalore.

The CMC family is thankful to Mrs. Premakumari for her efficient and dedicated service to this institution and wishes her God's blessings in her retired life.

## **Obituaries**

• Mrs. Maheswari Jeyavel, Nursing Auxiliary Gr.I, passed away on 16th November 2022. She completed Hospital Auxiliary training in April 1990 and joined CMC as Hospital Auxiliary. She worked in Medical wards till 2010 and then she worked in Main OR (TSSU) from July 2010 to till her death. She survived by her husband Mr. Jayavel L. and daughter Miss. Dhanushkasri (8 yrs). Let us uphold the bereaved family members in our prayers.

• Mrs. Sreelatha, mother of Dr. Sreekanth R, Surgeon, Department of Hand Surgery and mother-in-law of Dr. Smithamol, Department of Anaesthesia passed away on 21st November 2022. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.



• Dr. Saramma Kurian (nee Varkki) (MBBS batch of 1947) passed away on 24th November 2022. Dr. Saramma joined CMC for her MBBS course in the year 1947. After completing the course, she started her work in the Indo Norwegian Project, Neendakara which was the initiative for fishermen of coastal Kerala. She worked through this project for 12 years. The project got absorbed into Kerala Government Health Services and she worked in different Government Hospitals predominantly in the Obstetrics and Gynaecology. She retired from Kerala Government Health Services as Additional Director. 5







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Her husband retired Professor (Basalius College, Kottayam) Mr. O.P. Kurian passed away in 2018. She is survived by two daughters. Elder daughter is Mrs. Susan Thomas, Scientist, NASA and her husband is Mr. George Thomas, Engineer, have settled in USA. Her younger daughter Dr. Suja Kurian (PG alumnus, Psychiatry), Professor and Head, Psychiatry, and her husband Dr. Vinoo Mathew Cherian (PG alumnus, Orthopaedics), Professor of Orthopaedics, are in CMC Vellore. She is grandmother to Dr. Aleena Sara Mathew of the MBBS batch of 2012, CMC Vellore.

Those who may wish to get in touch with her family, may do so as below : Dr. Suja Kurian (daughter), Email: sujakurian@cmcvellore.ac.in

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

## **Situations Vacant**

#### 1. Senior Resident with MD (Microbiology) for the Department of Clinical Virology

One year Senior Residency experience in clinical virology is preparable. Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

#### 2(a) Warden (Full Time residential) with Any Degree (Project - appointment) for Men's Hostel

Preference will be given those who have prior experience working in hostels.

If selected, have to stay in the hostel (Only male candidates need to apply).

Salary Scale : As Per Institutional Rules.

Accommodation Provided inside the hostel.

#### 2(b) Warden (Full Time residential) with Any Degree (Project - appointment) for Women's Hostel

Preference will be given those who have prior experience working in hostels. If selected, have to stay in the hostel (Only female candidates need to apply). Salary Scale : As Per Institutional Rules. Accommodation Provided inside the hostel.

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 **December 03, 2022** for Items 1 and 2(a) and 2(b).

#### 3. Occupational Therapist for the Developmental Paediatrics Unit

## Qualification : BOT. Work Description : Working with children with neurodevelopmental disorders.

Salary : As per institutional rules. 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 : General - "Vacancies". Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted. Applications will close by **December 03, 2022** for Item 3.

Job Code : 1450

#### **Situations Vacant**

4. Multi-Function Technician Trainee for the Medical Records Department (CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus) Qualifications : Graduates with computer knowledge, good interpersonal skills and multilingual capabilities Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 30 Years. Job Description : To work as Patient Care Facilitator /Multifunctional Technician in IP/OP /Medical Records and other patient-related areas in CMC Ranipet Campus / CMC Town Campus / Peripheral units of CMC. Postings will be in shift on rotation basis including night shifts. 5. Laboratory Auxillary Trainee for the Department of General Pathology (CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus) Qualifications : B.Sc., in Life Sciences. Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted. Age Limit : Below 30 years. Stipend : As per institutional rules. 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 December 12, 2022 for Items 4 and 5. 6. Engineer Gr.IV Qualification : B.E. in Civil Engineering. Salary : As per institutional norms. Age Limit : Not more than 30 years. Candidates who have experience as Graduate Engineer in CMC only need apply. Please log on to http://www.cmch-vellore.edu Link : General - "Vacancies". Tab : "Engineer Gr.IV". 7. Engineer Gr.IV Qualification : B.E. in Electrical & Electronics Engineering. Salary : As per institutional norms. Age Limit : Not more than 30 years. Candidates who have experience as Graduate Engineer in CMC only need apply. Please log on to http://www.cmch-vellore.edu Link : General - "Vacancies". Tab : "Engineer Gr.IV". 8. Driver Gr.IV Qualification : S.S.L.C. + HMV Licence required. Salary : As per institutional norms. Age Limit : Not more than 30 years. Candidates who worked under CMC Projects only need apply. Please log on to http://www.cmch-vellore.edu Link : General - "Vacancies". Tab : "Driver Gr.IV". 9. Administrative Assistant (Project) To co-ordinate with DAA Programme (Diploma in Allergy and Asthma) under the supervision of Pulmonary

Medicine. The term of appointment is co-terminus with the duration of the project. Qualifications : Graduate + 1 year PGDHA / FHA / MBA. Age Limit : 30 years and below. Consolidates Salary : As per institutional norms. Good writen and oral communication skills in English, Computer and Data Management capability are essential.

Please log on to http://www.cmch-vellore.eduLink : General - "Vacancies".Tab : "Administrative Assistant ".

*Applications should be made online. Applications through other Job Portals will not be considered.* Apply on or before **December 02, 2022** for Items 6, 7, 8 and **December 05, 2022** for Item 9.

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And he will reign over the house of Jacob for ever; his kingdom will never end. Luke 1:33

## **Graduation Ceremony - Allied Health Sciences**



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The Allied Health Sciences Baccalaureate Service was held on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2022, in the Scudder Auditorium, College Campus. The theme for this year was "En Emoi Christos (Christ In Me)". The solemn service was attended by the graduates, parents, staff and students. Dr. Vinod Joseph Abraham, Vice Principal (UG) gave an inspiring message, which made the young graduands re-dedicate their lives to work for the community in the spirit of Christ.



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## **Graduation Ceremony - Allied Health Sciences**

The AHS Graduation Ceremony 2022 was held at Scudder Auditorium on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2022 at 5.00 pm. Dr. Priya John, General Secretary, Christian Medical Association of India, New Delhi, addressed the 240 graduates from 40 different courses. She gave an overview and the history of CMAI and the importance of the Allied Health professions in the healing ministry. She advised the students to choose their path wisely with passion as they enter this high demand health sector. During this period, she directed them to use the shield of ethical values given by Alma Mater and sharpen their word of technical expertise with continuous learning. She also encouraged the students to protect the patients they save with strong knowledge, ethical caring and continuous learning.

Dr. Joy Sarojini Michael, Vice Principal (AHS) gave the charge to the students and advised them to hold on to the values that they have learned here in CMC Vellore – especially Not to be Ministered unto but to Minister. She also summarized her talk and advised the students to remember the ABCs – to Adapt and Adjust with your new environment, at the same time Believing in themself, going ahead with trust and faith in God and showing Compassion and empathy to the patients they serve.

Dr. Joy John Mammen, Associate Director (Medical), chaired the function and the Dr. Solomon Sathishkumar, Principal awarded the degrees and diplomas. The prize winners received their awards from the Chief Guest. Mr. Jose Kutty Manoj (General Secretary, OPTSA), felicitated the graduates and Mr. Salik Khan and Mr. Ebin Peter Abraham responded on behalf of the graduating students. The graduation ceremony was followed by dinner for faculty, students and families.

The success of the Baccalaureate Service and Graduation Ceremony was due to the wholehearted support and effort of all our faculty and students.



## **Department of Spine Surgery conducted Oration and Spine CME**

The Department of Spine Surgery successfully conducted the inaugural Professor GD. Sundararaj Oration & CMC Vellore Spine CME on 26th November, 2022. This year the Oration was delivered by Prof S Rajasekaran, Ganga Hospital Coimbatore. The title of the Oration was 'Learning and reflections from 30 years of Spine Surgery'. The Oration citation was read by Dr. Rohit Amritanand, Head Department of Spine Surgery and presented by Dr. Vikram Mathews, Director. Prof. Rajasekaran reminded us of the need to keep patients safety and wellbeing central to all decision making and cautioned us against the over reliance on technology.



The Oration was attended by late Professor Sundararaj's family, invited guests, staff and students. The Spine CME and workshop which followed was attended by over 75 delegates . There were a number of eminent National faculty including Dr. Saumyajit Basu, President- Elect Association of Spine Surgeons of India who shared their valuable experiences during the Masters session . The Professor G.D. Sundararaj Best paper prize was won by Mr. Subin V, Ph.D research scholar from IIT Chennai. The academic agenda for the day also included a hands-on spine saw bone workshop where delegates had the opportunity to learn the placement of various spinal implants, a surgical video session and and interactive case based discussion session. The Oration and CME was well received by all who attended. We praise God for his provisions.



**Respiratory Care Week observed by the Department of Pulmonary Medicine** 

"Respiratory Care Week" is observed globally during the last week of October every year. In commemoration of this the Department of Pulmonary Medicine, CMC Vellore Ranipet Campus organized a programme between 27<sup>th</sup>October, 2022 and 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2022. The staff and students of Pulmonary Medicine, Respiratory Medicine and Critical Care Therapy actively participated in the CME and other activities of the Respiratory care week on the theme for this year "Essential skills Exceptional Care". There were theme-based cookery, poster, essay and slogan competitions in which staff and students of various departments of CMC participated and the winners were awarded attractive prizes on the last day.



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#### **Respiratory Care Week observed by the Department of Pulmonary Medicine**

On 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2022, Free Lung function test, Respiratory education, Basic life support awareness programme for the patients and public was organised in the patient waiting area of the Ranipet campus. Dr. Balamugesh, Head of Pulmonary medicine addressed the gathering and explained about the burden of Respiratory diseases, especially COVID 19 and appreciated the role of Respiratory Therapist, Critical Care Therapist and Respiratory Nurse Educators in preventing, diagnosing and providing respiratory care to patients. Dr. Dheepak Selvaraj, Associate Director, Chief guest of

honour, briefed on the tremendous growth of the department in his felicitation. Dr. Reuben Thomas, Deputy Medical superintendant, Dr. Binila Chacko, Head of Critical Medicine, Dr. DJ Christopher, Professor in Pulmonary Medicine, Mrs. Ilavarasi, Deputy Nursing superintendant and Mrs. Reena George, Head of speciality nursing IX, Professor offered felicitations and graced the occasion followed by prize distribution. Prayer and benediction were offered by Rev. Finney Alexander.

The prize winners of the various competitions conducted are as follows:

#### **Poster competition :**

First prize : Ms. Malavika, Diabetic Nurse Educator Mr. Chandrasekaran, Respiratory Therapist, Pulmonary Medicine

- Second prize : Ms. Elakkiya S, Staff Nurse, B ward
- Third prize : Ms. Tanjuja Nayak, Critical Care Therapy Student, MICU Ms. Sangeetha, Respiratory Therapist, Pulmonary Medicine

#### **Essay competition - English :**

- First prize : Ms. Revathi K, Charge Nurse, C102 Ms. Chithra Maria Alexander, Respiratory therapist, Pulmonary Medicine
- Second prize : Dr. Arin Research Officer, Pulmonary Medicine
- Third prize : Mr. Selvakumar, Respiratory Therapist, Respiratory Medicine.

#### **Essay competition - Tamil :**

- First prize : Mr. Samuel Joash Spurgeon, Respiratory Therapist, Pulmonary Medicine
- Second prize : Ms. Ashwini, Respiratory Therapist, Pulmonary Medicine

#### Slogan competition - English :

- First prize : Ms. Fathima Ritha, Critical Care Therapy Student, MICU
- Second Prize : Ms. Rini Wils, Nurse Manager, Surgical Nursing
- Third Prize : Ms. Mary Jenifer P, Staff Nurse, Labour Room

#### **Slogan competition - Tamil :**

- First prize : Mr. Pradeep RajKumar , Lecturer, Pharmacy Ms. Selvarani, Staff Nurse, Pulmonary Medicine
- Second Prize : Mr. Mubarak Ali, Staff Nurse
- Third Prize : Ms. Noble Margaret A, Staff Nurse, CHAD.





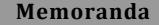
## December 04 - 10, 2022 = SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Chittoor Campus : Dr. Kenny David and Staff

United Society for the Propagation of the Gospel

Board of International Ministerial Ministries of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society Christian Institute of Health Sciences and Researh, Dimapur

Council Member : Dr. Sedevei Angami



• **Dr. Nitin Kapoor,** Professor, is appointed as Ag. Head of Endocrinology Unit-I with effect from 6<sup>th</sup> December 2022 until further notice.

• Dr. Kala Ranjini Sundaravalli, Professor & Head of Paediatric-ICU, is appointed as Head of the Department of Paediatrics with effect from 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022 until further notice.

## **Congratulations!**

• **Dr. Sandeep Nathanael David**, Assistant Professor, Emergency Department won the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize for oral presentation at the 24<sup>th</sup> National Annual Conference of Emergency Medicine (EMCON 2022) held at Trivandrum from 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2022.

• **Dr. Sudha Subramani,** M.Ch. Gynaecologic Oncology resident, from the Department of Gynaecologic Oncology won the first prize in poster presentation for her paper titled "Outcome of Type A hysterectomy in preinvasive and microinvasive cervical neoplasia" at the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Asia Oceania Research organisation on genital infections and neoplasia, India which was held on 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2022.

## Retirements

• Mrs. Margaret Anbunathan, Sr. Telephone Operator Gr.I, Telephone Exchange, retired on 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 after 40 years of dedicated service to the institution. She joined in the year 1983 and continued in the same department. During her tenure she has served at various capacities promptly, ensuring an encouraging and friendly workspace for all her colleagues. She was a mentor to her juniors and her commitment towards her job, department and her work during COVID-19 lockdown especially during the first wave are commendable. Her husband, Mr. Anbunathan is a retired Area Supervisor, CMC and currently serving as a Superivisor in Ranipet Campus. Her elder son, Mr. Samuel Johnson Doss has completed his



BPT and MPT in CMC who is currently a freelance physiotherapist in Bangalore. Her younger son, Mr. Samson Godson Doss is working as a Management Assistant in Quality Management Cell, CMC and is married to Ms. Rhema Anu, Occupational Therapist in Developmental Paediatrics, CMC.



• Mr. S. Sridharan, B.Sc., D.Pharm, Pharmacist Instructor, Department of Pharmacy Services retired on 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2022 after 33 years of dedicated service to the institution. He joined the pharmacy department in the year 1989 and has worked in OP Pharmacy, QCL, Manufacturing Division and Pharmacy Stores. He took keen interest and contributed significantly in Manufacturing Division for 18 years and in Quality Control Laboratory for 12 years. He works hard and gives constructive suggestions for improvements for the department. He is known for his good inter personal skills and co-ordinates well with co-workers. His son, Mr. Adithyan, completed his B.E.E. and is working in a private company in Chennai.

The CMC community is thankful for their years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes them God's blessings on their retired life.

## **Admission Notice**

Applications for **RUHSA Community College for the January 2023 Batch** is open. Last date of submission of application is **31**<sup>st</sup> **December, 2022.** Kindly encourage eligible men and women candidates to apply for all courses.

The proposed courses offered in association with ICRDCE, Chennai and Recognized by NSDC-Non-Funding Skill Certification Scheme, Govt. of India are

#### **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

#### **RUHSA Certificate Courses**

- Fashion Designing
- Short skills training for income generation activities and entrepreneurship, e.g. crafts, jam making, fabric dyeing, accounting for small business etc.,

#### Education Criteria : 8<sup>th</sup> completed.

Age : Completed 17 years for Certificate courses. Younger candidates will be accepted in selected courses and will receive RUHSA Certificate. Application fee : Rs.15/- payable at RUHSA.

For details kindly Contact: Phone : 96262 17667 / 94425 11982 / 8300031305 / 8300031374. Email : **vetri.ruhsa@cmcvellore.ac.in** 

## **Obituaries**

• **Mr. N.C.S. Selvakumar,** retired Physical Director (Govt. School and CMC Basketball Coach) passed away on 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2022. Let us uphold his wife, Mrs. S. Vijayakumari, daughter Mrs. Jemima, son Mr. Praveen Joshua, Neuro Physiology, CMC and all other bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• Mr. M. Ganapathy, Artisan (Mason), retired staff, Civil Engineering Department, CMC passed away on 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2022. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

## **Situations Vacant**

**1. Assistant Professor** with **M.Ch. (Vascular Surgery)** 2 years working experience after the course will be preferred for the **Department of Vascular Surgery** 

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

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

**3. Senior Resident** with **MS (General Surgery)** for the **Department of Trauma Surgery** Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**4. Registrar (Non PG)** with **MBBS** for the **Department of Dermatology Unit-II** Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Subject to 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 December 10, 2022 for Items 1, 2, 3 and December 17, 2022 for Item 4.

## Situations Vacant

5. Junior Research Fellow for the Department of Stem Cell Research (CSCR)

*Job Code* : 1455

The Centre for Stem Cell Research (CSCR), a unit of in Stem Bengaluru, in collaboration with the Department of Biotechnology (Government of India) and the Christian Medical College (CMC) Vellore, invites applications for the **Junior Research Fellow to work in the area of cell and molecular biology related to stem cell research.** 

**Qualification :** M.Sc. and M. Tech Life Sciences / Biochemistry / Biotechnology candidates with a minimum of 55% of marks.

Preference will be given to the candidates with CSIR / UGC / DBT / ICMR junior research fellowships.

For more details of the positions and the application form visit **https://www.cscr.res.in/research-opportunities/** Please send us the duly filled application mentioning the job code either by soft copy to **cscredu@cmcvellore.ac.in** or by hard copy to The Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore-632002, Tamil Nadu on or before **December 19, 2022** for Item 5.

#### 6. Staff III Graduate Medical Lab Technician for the Department of General Pathology for CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus

Qualifications : B.Sc., MLT and who have four years of experience as Technical Assistant / Equivalent in CMC need to apply.

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

Age Limit : 35 Years. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

# 7. Staff II Molecular Genetic Technician / Cytogenetic Technician for the Department of Clinical Haematology (CMC Vellore Ranipet Campus)

Qualifications : B.Sc., Life Science with PG Diploma in Applied Molecular Genetic Method / Cytogenetic and who have four years of experience as Technical Assistant / Equivalent in CMC need to apply.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : Below 35 Years.

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

#### 8. Graduate Technician Trainee for the Medical Superintendent's Office

Qualifications : Any Graduate from recognized university.

Stipend : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : 30 Years.

Job Description : Robotic / Laparoscopic / Equipment maintenance.

Selected candidate will be posted in CMC Main / Ranipet Campus. Posting will be in Shift on rotation basis including night shifts.

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 **December 12, 2022** for Items 6, 7 and 8.

# Christian Medical College Vellore NEWSLINE DECEMBER 12, 2022



Great are the works of the Lord; they are pondered by all who delight in them. Psalm 111:2

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**Situations Vacant** 

**Mrs. Mary Lilly Glaiyer Thambiraj,** Sr.Gr.Charge Nurse retired on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2022 after completing 36 years of service in our institution. She joined CMC as a staff nurse after completing her GNM course in the year 1987 from School of Nursing, Christian Mission Hospital, Madurai. She worked in KN ward – Cardiothoracic surgery ward as staff nurse till 1995 and in O4 East ward as charge nurse after completing PBBSc nursing and continued her service in the same ward till her retirement.

She is active, enthusiastic, sincere, hardworking and assertive. She coordinates well with other health care team members. Her interpersonal relationship skills are commendable. She had done research projects to improve patient care in her unit. She was instrumental in the development of clinical competency modules for staff nurses. She was awarded the "Best Charge Nurse Award" for her exemplary nursing care in the year 2022. She plans, organizes and executes patient care well. She is positive and adapts well to the changing demands of the unit as required.

## Mrs. Mary Lilly Glaiyer Thambiraj Retires

Her husband Mr. V. Johnson is a retired MRD Technician from CMC and is doing Ministry in CGMM (Church Growth Missionary Movement) at present. Her son Mr. Jefferson Victor is working as Manager in Federal Bank, Kalpudur and is married to Ms. Grace Magdelin. She is blessed with one grand daughter.

The CMC family is thankful to Mrs. Mary Lilly for her efficient and dedicated service to this institution and wishes her God's blessings in her retired life.

## **World Adolescent Week Celebrations**

Adolescent Medicine unit along with Project YUVA (Adolescent health education team) organized health education programme for high school students for the occasion of National (IAP- Indian Academy of Pediatrics), Adolescent Health week from 28<sup>th</sup> November to 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2022. They visited five schools located in Vellore namely, EVRN Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Muslim Government Higher (Higher) Secondary (Secondary) School, Kodaiyadi Kuppuswamy Higher Secondary School, Thottapalayam Girls Higher Secondary School and Thorappaadi Government Higher Secondary School.



Dr. Mona Basker, Professor and Head, Adolescent Medicine, Child Health Unit-III, Dr. Mary Anbarasi Johnson, Professor and Head, Paediatric Nursing, Dr. Reshmi YS and Dr. Priyanka Medhi Assistant Professors, Adolescent medicine, Child Health Unit -III, Ms. Esther Kanthi, Assistant Professor, College of Nursing, Ms. Anandhi, Adolescent Nurse, Dr. Arivuselvee, Project Co-ordinator, Mr. Karnan and Ms. Suganya, Health Educators and Mr. Suresh, Youth Representative of Project YUVA along with PG Registrars, Child Health, organized a skit on the current problems in adolescent health, followed by health education sessions. Power point presentations on various topics were done by Dr. Mona Basker, Dr. Mary Anbarasi Johnson on adolescent health, and by Dr. Arivuselvee on cybersafety. The sessions ended with an interactive time with the students following which pamphlets on adolescent health were distributed to all participants.

On 3<sup>rd</sup> December, a session on adolescent parenting was conducted in Wheeler hall for the parents. The session was conducted in Tamil and was translated in Hindi and Bengali to address all the parents who participated.



## Inauguration of Maternity and Child Health Facility in A-Ward

Maternity and Child Health facility in A1 ward commenced in CMC Vellore Town Campus on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2022. The inauguration programme started with a prayer song. Mrs. Arockiaseeli Mabel, Nurse Manager of A1 Ward welcomed the gathering. Dr. Vikram Mathews, Director, Dr. Prasad Mathews, Medical Superintendent, Mrs. Jeyalinda Christopher, Associate Nursing Superintendent and Dr. Leni Mathew, Professor & Head of Paediatrics offered their felicitations. Mrs. Jeni Christal Vimala, Professor and Sister-in-charge A block extended the vote of thanks. A special word of appreciation was offered to the nursing team for their hard work towards setting up of various facilities to receive paediatric and maternity patients.



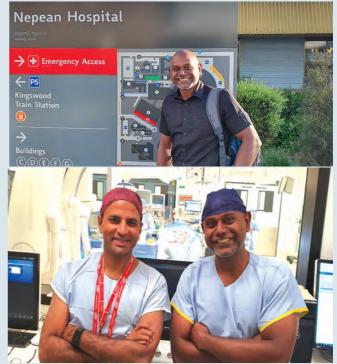
This facility will meet the long felt need of patients with Child health, Obstetric and Gynaecological problems. There will be more provisions made available to admit those patients in private rooms as per their requests and needs. The programme concluded with the message, prayer of dedication and benediction by Rev. Dr. T. Arul Dhas, Head of Chaplaincy.



**Travel Fellowship Fund in Memory of Dr. Sunil Agarwal** 

Dr. Sunil Agarwal's untimely demise under tragic circumstances affected a lot of people. For those who knew him, he was a special individual who always gave more than what he asked for. He was morally upright, loyal, extremely generous and set a great example to many. His mentorship and steadfast support helped in the development of the successful careers of many of his students and juniors.

One such junior is Dr Arvind Lee (MBBS Batch of 1993). After completing his MS General Surgery in Vellore in 2004, he joined as a junior faculty member of the then Surgery Unit-II (General and Vascular Surgery). His early development in Vascular Surgery was in this unit under the guidance of Dr. Agarwal, Dr. David Sadhu and Dr. Edwin Stephen. After leaving Vellore in December 2005, Arvind proceeded to train in Vascular Surgery at Adelaide and in Sydney, Australia. Dr. Sunil Agarwal was instrumental in introducing Arvind to his contacts in Australia. In 2010, after completing his Fellowship in Vascular Surgery with



the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, Arvind joined the Nepean Hospital in Sydney where he currently works as the Head of Vascular Surgery.

## Travel Fellowship Fund in Memory of Dr. Sunil Agarwal

After Sunil's passing, through the auspices of the Friends of Vellore, Arvind initiated a travel fellowship fund to help young vascular surgeons from Vellore travel to Australia for a period of observorship. The first recipient of the travel fellowship was Dr. Vimalin Samuel (MBBS Batch of 2000 and M.Ch Vascular Surgery) who recently returned back to Vellore after spending 4 weeks in Australia. During this time, Vimalin had the opportunity to observe the workings of the Vascular Surgery Unit at Nepean Hospital in Sydney and also presented two papers at the ANZ Society of Vascular Surgery Annual conference in Hobart, Tasmania.

Not only did Vimalin benefit from the time spent in Australia, his presence was also well received by Arvind's unit, as it allowed an exchange of ideas in the practice of Vascular Surgery between two very different medical systems. We hope this initiative which was ultimately born from Sunil's generosity of spirit, continues to keep this connection between Vellore and Australia alive, well into the future.

# State Level Workshop on 'Pertinent Issues in Geriatrics-A Nursing Perspective'

The Departments of Medical Nursing, Geriatric Medicine, and CNE & Research, College of Nursing conducted a state level workshop on **'Pertinent Issues in Geriatrics - A Nursing Perspective'** on November 21, 2022. The programme started with prayer and inauguration and a total of 50 registered delegates attended the workshop. The aim of the workshop was to enable nurses to identify the general issues related to continence, mobility and nutrition and iatrogenic complications on the everyday functioning of older adults and to provide evidence informed intervention.



Faculty from Medical Nursing and Geriatric Medicine shared on iatrogenic complications, nutrition, incontinence, importance of an exercise program and psychosocial needs in older adults. Delegates were divided into 4 small groups to provide detailed hands on skill sessions on immobility to mobility and pain management, food chart, MNA & MAC, IPSS and bladder dairy, ideal home for older adults. The participants expressed that both the theory and hands on sessions were very useful and gained rich knowledge on specific needs and the multidimensional aspects of caring in older adults. The Tamil Nadu Nurses and Midwives Council awarded 8 credit points for the workshop.

## **World Diabetes Day Celebrations**

In Commemoration of World Diabetes Day 2022, the Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism conducted a Dia-Quiz on "Diabetes and Endocrine Disorders" for the Nursing Students at College of Nursing, CMC Vellore on 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2022. Mrs. Rosaline Jayakaran, Former HOD Community Health Nursing Department and Former Dean College of Nursing CMC Vellore was the Chief Guest for the day.



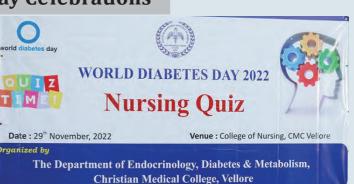
## **World Diabetes Day Celebrations**

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A total of 304 students are participated in Preliminary written test and 4 teams qualified to the final round.

The following were the Prize Winners :

- **First Prize** : Marbanylla Rikynti Sawian, Praveena Judith. A, Janet Isabella. J, Sakshi M.
- Second Prize : Lishma Shann Mathew. L, Aeibel Susan Mathew, Lavanya P, Dhivya. A. **Third Prize** : Deepshikha Purty, Josaline. S, Nivya
  - Pinto, Monisha Ramesh.



For More Pictures Visit : https://www.cmcendovellore.org/world-diabetes-day-celebration-2022/



## **–** December 11-17, 2022 SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK Pulmonary Medicine : Dr. Balamugesh T. and Staff

Respiratory Medicine : Dr. Richa Gupta and Staff



## **Congratulations!**

• Dr. Deepyan Biswas, Sr. PG Registrar, Department of Clinical Virology won the "I.D. Aggarwal-Broor Prize for the Best paper in Virology – 2022" with medal for presentation at the 45<sup>th</sup> National Conference of India Association of Medical Microbiologists (MICROCON 2022) held at KIMS, Bhubaneshwar from 24th to 27th November, 2022.

• Mr. Kakhangchung Panmei, Associate Research Officer (NM) Gr.III, Department of Clinical Virology won the 1st prize with medal for the E-poster Category-Viral infections, SARS Cov-2 & COVID-19 presentation at the 45<sup>th</sup> National Conference of India Association of Medical Microbiologists (MICROCON 2022) held at KIMS, Bhubaneshwar from 24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2022.

• Mr. Lalee Varghese, Professor, won the second position in the Senior Consultant Award paper competition at "IAOHNS 2022 Nagpur", the 8th Annual Conference of Indian Academy of Otorhinolaryngology Head Neck Surgery 5 held on 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2022, Nagpur.

## Retirement

**Mr. Arulraj N,** joined as Field Worker in the Department of Community Health in October 1981 under the Polio Control Programme for conducting baseline survey in Vellore and Tiruvannamalai Districts covering 10 lakh population in earch district and continued till 15<sup>th</sup> January 1992. Later on, he has contributed in the field activities related to many students run by the department including, Rubella project, ENT study, Burden of Filaria, Filaria drug trial study, VNCCP study, Validation survey in Kaniyambadi block etc. He got retired on 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2022. During his service he has been excellent in various different kind of responsibilities which he has undertaken both in the hospital and in the community.



His wife, S. Suganth Rani is working as Artisan in Stores, CMC. His elder son, Mr. A. Mark Stenin Raj is working as Junior Lecturer in the Department of Support Services in Ranipet Campus and younger son, Mr. A. Terrence Steve Raj is working as Hospital Attendant in the Operation Theatre, CMC.

The CMC community is thankful for his years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes him God's blessings on his retired life.

## Obituaries



• **Dr. Sudhir Babji**, Professor of Microbiology at The Wellcome Trust Research Laboratory, Division of Gastrointestinal Sciences, CMC, Vellore passed away on 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2022. He was a postgraduate alumnus, MD (Microbiology) 2009, was born in September 1979. He grew up in New Delhi, where his parents, Mr. Bapuji Prasanna Singh and Mrs. Shanta Babji, originally from Andhra Pradesh, worked at St Stephen's Hospital. He received his MBBS from CMC Ludhiana as part of the batch of 1997, followed by a Junior Residency in Surgery at St Stephen's Hospital from 2003-2005. In 2006, he joined the Department of Clinical Microbiology for MD and then The Wellcome Trust Research Laboratory as Assistant Professor in 2009. Over the years he obtained certifications in Epidemiology (2010), Vaccinology (2017), and Medical Education (2018)

and completed his Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene from RCP, UK in 2019. He did a two-year post-doctoral fellowship at Stanford University, USA (2019-2020).

At the Wellcome Laboratory, he led laboratory aspects of multiple studies working on enteric infections in children including rotavirus with a wide range of assays and grew in stature with every new assay and challenge faced. He acquired expertise in multiple areas, taking on the leadership role for laboratory investigations for large-scale and multi-country studies including MAL-ED that have significantly improved knowledge of early illness and growth in children and the performance of vaccines. He was highly engaged with his team with daily meetings and planning sessions, had interactions with scientists from all over the world and was much sought after for training and capacity building. From Africa, Russia, Brazil, China, the UK, and the US, people came seeking Sudhir's expertise and were never disappointed. He had also built-up technical support for vaccine researchers and manufacturers to evaluate their vaccines at CMC, Vellore. His contributions to rotaviral vaccine efficacy led to the rapid introduction of the very first India-made vaccine to come into the Indian immunization programme.

Dr. Sudhir's professional contributions were wide and deep, however, he will be most remembered for the wonderful person he was. A gentle soul who was always smiling, easy to interact with, and always supportive and helpful. His range of experience and expertise allowed him to help many colleagues within the division, the institution, the country, and the world. His friends fondly remember how very loving and helpful he was and his shy and sometimes irreverent smile. He was a great friend and a patient listener with a kind word for everyone. He always knew what to say to ease everyone's burdens. He took pleasure in the achievements of others. He made friends wherever he went and led life to the fullest. He was one of a kind. We pray for his soul, we mourn together and hold him in our hearts.

Dr. Sudhir's parents retired from the posts of Deputy Nursing Superintendent and Assistant Nursing Superintendent at St. Stephen's Hospital respectively and are settled in New Delhi. His younger sister Sushma Babji is a Marketing Lead and is settled in Canada. She can be contacted by email (**sushmababji@gmail.com**) or phone (+6473559246).

Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

## Obituaries

• Mr. Manoharadhas, father of Rev. M. Benniamin, Chaplain, Chaplaincy, CMC, Vellore on 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2022. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

## **Situations Vacant**

#### 1. Senior Demonstrator (NM) for the Department of General Pathology

Quallifications : Master's degree in life science preferably Microbiology / Biochemistry (NM-3years Course). Candidate must have minimum 5 years' experience with bench work related to Molecular Pathology.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Job Description : Work will involve extraction of nucleic acids, PCR, gel electrophoresis, real time PCR, ddPCR and other related procedures.

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

#### $\textbf{2. Senior Resident Gr.III} \text{ with } \textbf{MS} \, / \, \textbf{DNB} \, (\textbf{Orthopaedics}) \text{ for the } \textbf{Department of Spine Surgery}$

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

#### 3. Jr. Clinical Psychologist for the Department of Developmental Paediatrics

Qualification : MA / M.Sc (Psychology) (Regular Course) Preference will be given for those who have specilization / training in Child Development (or) Counciling (or) Developmental Psychology. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

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 **December 17**, 2022 for Items 1, 2 and **December 31**, 2022 for Item 3.

#### 4. Project Officer (Admin.) - PGDLM - Postgraduate Diploma in Lifestyle Medicine for the Distance Education Unit Job Code : 1456

Qualification and Relevant Experience : Any Graduate with relevant experience in online / blended / distance course management with minimum 1 year of work experience in an institution offering Distance Medical Education. Preference will be given to candidates with experience in course development related administrative and technical management of online medical education courses in Lifestyle Medicine in a tertiary care teaching hospital.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

#### 5. Training Officer - PGDRM - Postgraduate Diploma in Rehabilitation Medicine for the Distance Education Unit Job Code : 1457

Qualification and Relevant Experience: AHS (BPT / BOT / MPT / MOT) Graduate with relevant experience in online / blended / distance course management with minimum 1 year of work experience in an institution offering Distance Medical Education. Preference will be given to candidates with experience in online / blended learning related academic / administrative and technical management of online learning courses in Rehabilitation Medicine in a tertiary care teaching hospital.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to http://www.cmch-vellore.edu Link : General - "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted*. Applications will close by **December 26, 2022** for Items 4 and 5.

## **Situations Vacant**

#### 6. Medical Lab Technician (Project) for the Wellcome Trust Research Laboratory

Qualifications : H.Sc., with Two Year Diploma in MLT from the recognized board.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 Years.

Preference : Those who have experience in phlebotomy especially on Paediatric and laboratory bench work will be given preference.

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

## 7. Jr. Neuro Technician (Project Mode) for the Department of Neurological Sciences (CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus)

Qualifications : B.Sc., with PG Diploma in Neuroelectrophysiology or B.Sc., Neuro Electrophysiology. Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules.

Job Description : Doing EEG, EEG Telemetry and EMG studies.

Note : Only from Recognized University / 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 **December 19, 2022** for Item 6 and **December 26, 2022** for Item 7.

## Christian Medical College Vellore NEWSLINE DECEMBER 19, 2022



We will shout for joy when you are victorious and will lift up our banners in the name of our God. May the Lord grant all your requests. Psalm 20:5

## 14<sup>th</sup> International Short Course in Clinical Tropical Medicine



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Clinical Epidemiology Unit and Library Services Department, organized a Mini Lecture on "Medical Writing

World Diabetes Day Celebrations

Department of Haematology organized the "MRD in Acute Leukemia and Mycloma" Workshop

**Special Prayers** 

Memorandum

**Congratulations!** 

Obituaries

**Situations Vacant** 

The Department of Infectious Diseases in collaboration with the Departments of Wellcome Microbiology and Clinical Microbiology hosted the "14<sup>th</sup> International Short Course in Clinical Tropical Medicine" from 21<sup>st</sup> November - 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2022 at IDTRC. Twenty-two students (9 Indian students and 13 International students) attended the two-week long course which offered lectures, clinical bedside sessions and laboratory practicals in bacteriology, virology, parasitology and mycology.

Expertise was offered by international faculty from the McGill University, Canada; Haukeland University; Albert Einstein College of Medicine, New York and NIMHANS, Bangalore.

Faculty of CMC Vellore from the Departments of Wellcome Microbiology, Clinical Microbiology, Virology, Child Health Unit-III, Neurology, Neurosurgery, Dermatology, SLRTC Karigiri, CHAD and Infectious Diseases contributed actively to the learning process. This course was started in 2007 and has received tremendous appreciation from the participants. So far, 117 students from India and 218 International students have been trained in different aspects of Tropical Medicine. The feedback has been extremely positive and we hope to continue this programme in the following years with active participation from the CMC faculty.

## Clinical Epidemiology Unit and Library Services Department, organized a Lecture on "Medical Writing

Clinical Epidemiology Unit and Library Services Department, CMC Vellore, organized a Lecture on "Medical Writing". More than 98 Participants from different faculty of Health Science participated. Dr. Thambu David, Head, CEU who initiated this effort gave a brief note about the session, Dr. Azariah Jebakumar, Head, Library Services welcomed and highlighted the opportunities available in free publication in Indexed Journals. Dr. Simi Kaul, MBBS MD, Clinical Editor, BMJ spoke about how to write a paper, why articles get rejected, how to choose a journal and peer review process. Mr. R. Anand, BMJ Manager – Institutional Business, explained how to redeem 100% waiver to publish open access with BMJ Group Journals. Those who want to know more about the free article submission process in BMJ can contact **dodd@cmcvellore.ac.in** or 2686/2101.



## **World Diabetes Day Celebrations**

In commemoration of World Diabetes Day 2022, the Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism conducted a Medi Quiz on "Diabetes and Endocrine Disorders" for medical students at New Examination Hall, Bagayam College Campus on 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2022. Dr. Solomon Sathishkumar, Principal, CMC, Vellore was the Chief Cuert for the day. At table f 22 to any participated in the

Chief Guest for the day. Atotal of 33 teams participated in the Quiz competition and 4 teams qualified to the final round.

The following were the Prize Winners :

First Prize	: Benita Mercy Karunya. B, Nanditha Vinod
	Souringal and Naveena Josepriya M.

- Second Prize : Anagha Nidugala Shyamkumar, Jangala Sai Supriya and Vinay John Chacko.
- Third Prize : Dafna Jesindra, MVS Amulya and Denis Wilson.



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### **World Diabetes Day Celebrations**

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## Department of Haematology organized the "MRD in Acute Leukemia and Mycloma" Workshop

The flow cytometry lab, Department of Haematology organized the "MRD inAcute Leukemia and Myeloma" workshop on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2022, in the conference hall at CMC Vellore Ranipet Campus. The theme of the workshop was "Advances in the Flow Cytometry-based MRD Assessment". The workshop was conducted as a part of the CMC Center of Excellence (CoE) for Clinical Flow Cytometry and was attended by 73 delegates involved in diagnostic flow cytometry from different parts of the country, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Bangladesh, Philippines, and Korea apart from 31 delegates from CMC Vellore. Dr. Vikram Mathews, Director, CMC Vellore inaugurated the workshop and welcomed the gathering following a word of prayer by Reverend Joseph Devaraj. Expert CMC and national faculty in the field of hematopathology & flow cytometry delivered the talks and discussed on the different technical challenges, the need for a robust MRD platform and the clinical implications of MRD with the participants. The 2-day interactive programme had lots of live case analysis, detailing the gating strategies and approach to MRD detection. The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Arun Kumar Arunachalam.



#### = December 18 - 24, 2022 = SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

ELS Book Shop : Mr. K. Jose and staff Central Bank of India - Hospital Campus State Bank of India - College Campus Post Office (College and Hospital) Karpagam Co-operative Store College Stores and College Canteen Other Canteens in various campuses Methodist Church in India Council Members : Dr. Arvind Roop Kumar Bishop Dr. Anil Kumar Servand Methodist Hospital, Bihar Nurmanzil Psychiatric Centre, Lucknow

ETCM Hospital, Kolar and others

Methodist Church Overseas Division, U.K.

## Memorandum

**Dr. David Mathew,** Assistant Professor, is appointed as Acting Deputy Medical Superintendent with effect from 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2022 until further notice.

## **Congratulations!**

• **Dr. S. Nanthakumar,** ED Registrar, Emergency Department on his way to Vellore from Chennai found a lost 2 year old child in the Chennai highway near poonamalle and saved the child and helped him to reach his parents with support of police department. Chennai commissioner Mr. Sandeep Rai Rathore called him personally and congratulated him.



• **Dr. Avinash A Nair,** Asst. Professor, Department of Respiratory Medicine, won the Asia Pacific Society of Respirology (APSR) education assembly award in bronchoscopy and interventional pulmonology category in APSR international conference, held at Seoul, South Korea.

• **Dr. Ranjit Immanuel James,** Assistant Professor in the Department of Forensic Medicine and Toxicology is conferred with the Sri M. Madhukar Memorial Travel Grant Award for "KAMLS Faculty Achiever of the year 2022" by the Karnataka Medicolegal Society (KAMLS) during their 30<sup>th</sup> Annual State Conference held in JSS Medical College, Mysuru between 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> of November, 2022.

This award is given to a young Forensic Medicine faculty (Senior Resident or Assistant Professor) who is a life member of KAMLS, working in any teaching Institute in India for their academic excellence in the year.

• **Dr. Pratap Chandra Rath** (PG alumnus, Cardiology) was elected President of the Cardiological Society of India (CS), at its National conference in Chennai.



## **Obituaries**

• Mr. K. Ramanadham, father of Mr. R.Thejesh, Lecturer, Department of ENT, passed away on 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2022. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mr. C. Appadurai**, father of Mr. A. Venkatesan, Sel. Gr.I Pharmacist, Main OR, passed away on 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2022. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

## **Situations Vacant**

**1. Assistant Professor** with **MD** (**General Pathology**) with two years special training in Clinical Haematology (Fellowship in CMC only) for the **Department of Haematology** 

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

#### 2(a) Assistant Professor with MD / DNB (General Medicine) for the Department of General Medicine

- Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as (Asst.Professor) in any NMC recognized teaching institution.
- Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

#### 2(b) Senior Resident with MD / DNB (General Medicine) for the Department of General Medicine

(Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment). Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

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

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Link : "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted*. Applications will close by **December 24**, **2022** for Item 1 and **December 31**, **2022** for Items 2(a) and (2b).

#### 3. Jr. Dialysis Therapist (Project Mode) for the Department of Paediatrics Unit – II (Paediatric Nephrology)

Qualifications : B.Sc., (Life Sciences) with 1 Year PG Diploma in Dialysis Technology or B.Sc., Dialysis Technology from the recognized university.

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

Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : Below 35 years.

Preference will be given to candidates who have training in performing CRRT therapy and Paediatric Dialysis.

#### 4. Jr. Critical Care Therapist ( Leave Vacancy) for the Surgical ICU

Qualifications : B.Sc Critical Care Technology degree of the Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR Medical University or Diploma in Critical Care Therapy obtained from CMC Hospital, Vellore.

#### *Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.* Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.

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 **December 26, 2022** for Items 3 and 4.

## Situations Vacant

#### **5.** Computer Terminal Operator (Project)

The term of appointment is co-terminus with the duration of the project. The project will be implemented under **Endocrinology, Diabetes & Metabolism.** The name of the project is "Improving the capacity of health system and community for screening and management of some non communicable disease among scheduled tribes : An implementation research in East Khasi Hills District, Meghalaya."

Qualification : Any Degree (Regular Course). Age Limit : Below 30 years.

Consolidated Salary : As per institutional norms.

Candidates who have English typing lower grade with computer knowledge will be preferred. Job condition : To work in ICMR Project at Shillong, Megalaya.

Please log on to **http://www.cmch-vellore.edu** Link: General - "Vacancies". Tab : "Computer Terminal Operator".

#### 6. Administrative Officer Gr.V for Promotions and Development Office

Qualification : Any Master Degree or equivalent.Age Limit : 35 - 45 years.Salary : As per institutional norms.

**Preference :** 12 years full-time experience in fundraising or social work in the NGO sector; work experience in CMC or CMC's network mission hospitals. Fundraising through CMC's Development Office focusing on individual fundraising, donor Management and relationship building, Campaign management and Corporate fundraising in India and abroad, Proposal, budget and report writing skills are essential.

Please log on to **http://www.cmch-vellore.edu** Link: General - "Vacancies". Tab : "Administrative Officer Gr.V".

#### 7. Management Assistant (Project Mode) for Promotions and Development Office

Qualification : Graduate / B.E. / B.Tech. / MBBS + MBA - Finance, HR, HA, MM / MHA / M.Phil HHSM PGDM / PGDBA / PGDPM / PGDPM and IR 2 years full tiem course - approved by AICTE and certified by AIU as equivalent to MBA and 2 years experience.

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

**Preference :** Fundraising through CMC's Development Office focusing on individual fundraising, donor Management and relationship building, Campaign management and Corporate fundraising in India and abroad, Proposal, budget and report writing skills are essential.

Please log on to http://www.cmch-vellore.edu Link: General - "Vacancies". Tab : "Management Assistant".

8. Clerical Assistant (Term appointment for Selection Work).

Qualification : Any Graduate (Regular Course).

Age Limit : Not more than 30 years.Consolidated Salary : As per institutional norms.**Those who have worked earlier for selection work need not apply.** 

**Preference :** Male candidates with multi-language skills, English Typewriting in Junior Grade and Undergraduate Degree.

Please log on to http://www.cmch-vellore.edu Link: General - "Vacancies". Tab : "Clerical Assistant".

Applications should be made online. Applications through other Job Portals will not be considered. Apply on or before **December 26, 2022** for Item 5 and **January 02, 2023** for Items 6, 7 and 8.

9. Applications are invited for the post of Teacher in Balavihar Kids Corner

 $Qualification: Any \ degree \ with \ B.Ed \ / \ Montessori \ Trained.$ 

Preference will be given to the female candidates who are fluent in English, have a teaching experience and are below 35 years of age. Interested candidates may apply to The Principal, Balavihar Kids Corner, CMC Hospital Campus, Vellore. Phone : 0416-2283499. Email : **balavihar@cmcvellore.ac.in** on or before **January 04, 2023** for Item 9.

## Christian Medical College Vellore NEWSLINE DECEMBER 26, 2022



## **Christmas – Celebrating the Compassionate Presence of God**

#### "The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel" – which means, "God with us" Matthew 1:23.

Christmas is a festival remembering the birth of Jesus, the Christ. We remember how the Son of God was sent into the world for the salvation of humankind and the whole creation. We are grateful for the love of God demonstrated through this process of incarnation.

#### **Celebration of God's presence:**

One prominent name given to Jesus was "Immanuel" which means "God with us". God's presence is experienced amongst us through Christmas. It is a compassionate presence. We can experience this even when we are going through tough times, pain or loss. It is a presence experienced through faith. This experience of God's presence gives us joy, hope and peace in our situations abundantly. The extension of this celebration could be found in the presence of God. Therefore, Christmas celebration is a celebration of presence – divine and human.

#### **Celebration with moderation:**

In our healthcare situation, there are always some people who are going through pain and suffering. Therefore this celebration of God's presence has to be undertaken sensitively and with moderation. Our joy, hope and peace is moderated by our neighbours, people with whom we live, people with whom we work. Seven year old poor girl broke and shared her Rs.5/- Five star chocolate with her other two friends. She chose to celebrate. When we define celebration with pompous and expensive patterns, others who will not be able to afford will struggle to achieve those standards as if that is the standard for celebration. In fact, true celebration will incorporate moderation even if the celebrant is able to spend.

#### An inclusive celebration:

One popular parable told by Jesus during his ministry was the 'Parable of the Prodigal Son'. In that story, the elder son was unwilling to celebrate the presence of his brother in his father's home. The father had to leave the celebration in order that he might plead with him to come in. Often there is a tendency among us not to join in the celebration since some of our personal interests are not taken care of. The people who are celebrating are different in nature, status, education, etc. Christmas celebration calls for inclusion.

May this Christmas be a true celebration of God's presence in our midst. We wish you all a blessed Christmas and a vibrant new year 2023!

*Rev. Dr. Arul Dhas T,* Head, Chaplaincy Department. December 2022.

#### **The Season of Giving!**

This is the season of giving and the time for rejoicing. With joyful hearts CMC as a community and as a family has made it a tradition to reach out to the needy and poor. CMC Vellore organised the Christmas cheer carnival on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of December, 2022 in the Town Campus and on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2022 in the CMC Vellore Ranipet Campus. The two-day sale at the Town Campus was a great success. There were nearly 41 stalls ranging from food to appliances, games stalls and clothes.



The proceeds from the sales from both campuses will

benefit the homes and orphanages in and around Vellore, around 45 homes were benefitted. The team from CMC distributed clothes, school bags, bedsheets, mats accessories for babies, stationaries and other things according to their needs.

The man with two tunics should share with him who has none, and the one who has food should do the same.



## Clinical Epidemiology Unit and Library Services Department, organized a Lecture on "Medical Writing

The Departments of Medical-Surgical Nursing Specialty I, and CNE & Research, College of Nursing conducted a State level workshop on 'Updates in Tuberculosis' on 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2022. The programme started with prayer and inauguration. A total of 50 delegates attended the workshop. The aim of the workshop was to enable nurses to understand the newer strategies and to apply the knowledge knowledge gained in comprehensive nursing care for patients with TB.

Faculty from Medical- Surgical Nursing Specialty I and Respiratory Medicine shared the knowledge on Diagnosis and Management of susceptible and resistant Tuberculosis, Nursing care of patient with TB both in hospital and community, Tuberculosis & HIV, Tuberculosis & other co-morbidities, and Tuberculosis in the vulnerable population. In the afternoon the delegates were divided into 4 small groups for hands on training. The skill sessions were on Mantoux test, ATT drugs, Infection control and Lifestyle modification necessary to specifically cope with the disease. The participants expressed that both the theory and hands on sessions were very useful and gained rich knowledge on multi-dimensional aspects of Tuberculosis management. The Tamil Nadu Nurses and Midwives Council awarded 8 credit points for the workshop.



### **World Diabetes Day Celebrations**

In commemoration of the World Diabetes Day, the Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes & Metabolism, CMC Vellore, organized an exhibition on 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2022. The theme for the event was "Education to Protect Tomorrow".

Dr. Prasad Mathews, Medical Superintendent, CMC Vellore, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest, and spoke on diabetes as a disease governed by the mind and that behavior modification was the most important feature in implementing it's control.

Several stalls including those of Dietetics, Physiotherapy, Nephrology, Ophthalmology, Prosthetics and Orthotics, Cardiology, Diabetes Education, Diabetes Foot care and Puppet show by Community Health Nursing and several other areas were organized for exhibition. The Department of Cardiology was awarded the first prize for the Best Stall while the Department of Dietetics was the runner-up.

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### **World Diabetes Day Celebrations**

There were more than 26 entries for the posters competition on the topic "Diabetes in the elderly; the problems encountered and handling them". Thematic posters were judged by Dr. Sumith K. Mathew, Associate Professor from Clinical Pharmacology, Mrs. Angeline Jeyarani from Medical surgical nursing and Mr. Lenny Vasanthan, Reader from Physiotheraphy.

Ms. Beulah Deepakumari from the Department of Medicine Unit-IV won the first prize while the second prize was bagged by Mr. Mohammed Haroon from Anaesthesia and the third prize was awarded to I.Sangeetha from A4 Ward. The consolation prizes were awarded to Ms. Anisha. G from PMR, Ms. Selva Merlin from Heamat BMTU and Mr. Mubarak Ali from Neruo OR.













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#### December 25 - 31, 2022 = SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

#### **Special Programme for Advent & New Year**

December 31, 2022 Watch Night Service Sunday

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January 01, 2023 **Regional Language Service - follow Sunday Schedule in** Hospital Chapel and Centenary Chapel.

**Plastic Surgery** :

Sunday

Dr. Shashank Lamba and Staff Dr. Ashish Kumar Gupta and Staff Mrs. Regina Xavier and Staff

Vellore Good Samaritan Canteen: Ms. K.L. Jheneefer and staff

Men's Intern Ouarters Warden: Dr. Myla Yacob and staff Ladies' Intern Quarters Warden : Dr. Suma Susan Mathews and staff

Kolhapur Church Council Council Members : Mr. Dinanath Vijay Kadam Mr. Uday Anand Bijapurkar

Miraj Medical Centre, Maharastra Council Member : Dr. Mrs. Prabha S. Quraishi

## Welcome

Dr. Blessed Winston A, Associate Professor, Department of Pharmacology and Clinical Pharmacology, on his return from study leave.

### **Memoranda**

#### The Department of Paediatric Surgery will function as three units with effect from 2<sup>nd</sup> January, 2023.

Dr. Ravi Kishore B.S.S., Professor & Head, Department of Paediatric Surgery is appointed as Head of Paediatric Surgery Unit-I, with effect from 2<sup>nd</sup> January, 2023 for a four year term.

Dr. John Mathai, Professor is appointed as Head of Paediatric Surgery Unit-II, with effect from 2<sup>nd</sup> January, 2023 for a four year term.

Dr. Sundeep M.C. Kisku, Professor is appointed as Head of Paediatric Surgery Unit-III, with effect from 2<sup>nd</sup> January, 2023 for a four year term.

## **Obituaries**

• Mrs. Mary Ilavarasi, wife of Mr. Alexander, Medical Lab Technician (LCECU) passed away on 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2022. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• Mrs. Rani Ebenezer, mother of Dr. Kala Ebenezer, Professor and Head of Department of Child Health and PICU, grandmother of Dr. Manju Inbaraj, Batch of 2011, Dr. Felix Samuel, Batch of 2013, Dr. Nithin Inbaraj, Batch of 2016 passed away on 24<sup>th</sup> December, 2022. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• Mr. V.L. Ramachandran, father of Mr. V.R. Rangaraj, Paramedical Worker, Wellcome Trust Research Laboratory, Division of Gastrointestinal Sciences, passed away on 25th December, 2022. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers. 5



## **Situations Vacant**

## **1.** Associate Research Officer (NM) for the Department of Nephrology (Molecular Diagnostic Lab)

Qualifications : M.Sc., Biochemistry (Regular) from recognized university. Candidate must have minimum 5 years' experience with bench work related to research and diagnostics.

Salary : As per the Institutional Rules.

Accommodation not provided.

## **2. Occupational Therapist (Term Post)** with **BOT (Regular Course)** for the **Department of PMR (Occupational Therapy)**

Eligibility : CMC Graduates who have completed 2 years of service obligation Graduates from other colleges who have completed 4 years + 6 months of compulsory internship. Salary Scale : As per the institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

# **3. Senior Resident / Assistant Professor** with MD / MS / MDS / DNB (General Medicine / General Surgery / Obst. & Gynae. / Anaesthesia) for the Department of RUHSA

Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as Assistant Professor in any NMC recognized teaching institution for applying Assistant Professor Job.

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

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

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**4. Scudder Memorial Hospital (CSI - Diocese of Vellore)** invited applications for the posts of :

(a) Paediatric Surgeon.	Qualification : MD / DNB Paediatrics.
(b) General Surgeon.	Qualification : MS / DNB General Surgery.
(c) Neurosurgeon.	Qualification : MS / MCH Neurosurgery.
(d) Consultant Cardiologist.	Qualification : MD / DM Cardiology.
(e) Consultant Anaesthesiologist.	Qualification : MD / DNB / Dip. in Anaesthesia.

Salary for items (a), (b), (c) and (d) : Salary will be as per Diocesan Medical Board Norms. Salary for item (e) : Negotiable.

Application with copy qualification certificates to be sent to Dr. Anbu Suresh Rao, Medical Superintendent, No.3, Kelly's Road, Scudder Memorial Hospital, Ranipet - 632 401. Email ID : smhranipet@gmail.com / hrsmh2021@gmail.com / hrd@scudderhospital.org Contact No. 04172-281-550 / 04172-281-502.

