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2nd Global Pharmaceutical and Medical Research Symposium 2018



Dr. Khan as a Moderator for the opening session in the Symposium. Global Health Care Activities, Saudi Arabia has conducted **2nd Global Pharmaceutical and Medical Research Symposium 2018** on 13-14 April 2018, in Sheraton Dubai Creek, Dubai, UAE. Dr. Mirza R. Baig has given a talk on the topic **“Bridging the gap in Knowledge transfer between academia and Practice”**



Dr. Mirza R. Baig receiving a token of appreciation from the CEO of Global Health Care Activities Academy

Graduation Ceremony Batch 23

The fresh and vibrant morning at DPC Auditorium saw yet another warm and emotional farewell to Batch 23.



The atmosphere got a bit sentimental but the Dean's subsequent address propped up spirits of the outgoing batch advising the students to uphold the values and knowledge imparted to them in the four years of study.



Batch 23 Valedictorian Speech

At the outset and on behalf of my colleagues, I would like to welcome all the parents and families embellishing our day.

Respected dean professor S.A. Khan, professors, doctors and staff members. Thank you all for being here with us to celebrate one of the most important days in our lives!

Throughout each person's life, there are different special moments that stimulate emotions. One of these moments is always special for everyone and it is the graduation day. Today, I believe, we - batch 23 - are sharing various mixed emotions of joy, gratitude, enthusiasm with mild fear and longing.

Standing here in front of you, wearing these gowns and special hats is something that would have been totally unattainable in absence of two enablers after Allah.

First, perpetual support, encouragement, passionate care those are some of the best gifts that Allah has granted us, through our parents. Please, let me present my ample appreciation for these



precious people. Round of applause my colleagues!

My beloved parents and all of the 23rd batch parents, I hope reaching this point of life would open the door for happiness and pride to fill your hearts, as you have always done for us.

Second, the other grant gifted for each and every student is the being part of this inspiring and productive family, the esteemed Dubai Pharmacy College.

In Dubai Pharmacy College, we learnt to stick to our religion and love it more, to avoid easy discouragement, to be self-motivated, responsive and proactive, to work smart, to try making our dreams come to reality and inspire others to do the same, to believe in ourselves and our capabilities, to be unique and hence we are the exceptional and the diamond batch. The exceptional batch has determined to engrave its fingerprints on DPC to be the landmark where all our memories and nice moments could be recalled by referring to it.

My dear colleagues, I would really like to congratulate myself for being part of this batch and to congratulate all of us for being the batch 23.

We have learnt to care for each other and be engaged in community and so "Takatuf" has appeared for the first time in DPC's history by the efforts of the distinguished colleague Huda Al Madalli and number of amazing colleagues.

We have also learnt to be proactive, compete internationally and be pharmacists' leaders, and therefore membership and activities of "the International Pharmaceutical Students Federation (IPSF)" have been launched for the first time in UAE.

From this panel and as the founder of the first IPSF office in UAE generally and in DPC specifically, I am full of gratitude to the Professor S.A Khan, Mrs Sabeena and all the professors and staff members who gave a hand and facilitated the achievement success.

Finally, my friends and colleagues, we have been boosted well with the sound base so let's start up the engines and drive confidently towards the bright future.

Thank You!

Rafaa Khalifa

Batch 23 Representative Speech

Our dearest Dean Prof. Dr. Saeed Ahmed Khan, honored guests, esteemed faculty, beloved family members, friends, ladies and gentlemen and of course the Graduating Class of 2018! We made it!!

It truly is a pleasure and great honor to stand here before you on this podium and share with you all such an

important moment in our lives, the day we celebrate the fruit of years of hard work, missed parties, skipped outings, sleepless nights and countless exam induced adrenaline rushes.

Four years ago each one of us made a solid decision to pursue a B.Pharm degree in our beloved college DPC. I bet that during the process some of us we wanted to pack their bags and go home, some have already done that which was obviously an easier choice however we stayed strong through thick and thin and faced all the challenges thanks to our faith in Allah and the continuous support of our beloved parents; we wouldn't have done it without you.

We call ourselves 'The Diamond Batch', this name didn't come out of nothing, it is said that a diamond is just a piece of Charcoal that handled stress exceptionally well and I think we all did the



same by being the first batch to bring the IPSF to the whole country.

Today is a day that took many years in the making, a day where another chapter unfolds in our lives, which makes me wonder what does it really mean to be a part of this great institution?

I have another question to ask. Do you guys remember the day we stood here in this same exact round hall and had our White Coat Ceremony? Do you still have the pictures of that day? If you still do I recommend you to have a look at it and see that lovely face of yours wearing your white coat for the very first time and see how much you have changed. I for one looked like a Chubby Bunny, but that's not the kind of change I am talking about, beyond those pictures is a deeper meaning and you can see it in your eyes and this is what makes DPC so special and different from all the pharmacy colleges around the world.

And today as proud graduates of Dubai Pharmacy College we are not just Pharmacists to be that are filled with tremendous amount of knowledge. We are individuals! And I would like to thank our professors, doctors, deans office, administrators, graduate affairs, hostel staff, cafeteria staff, drivers and last but not least the workers for that.

In DPC we have found who we were, are, and want to be, it is where we made a new big family, were each corner of this place holds a story that you and I have shared.

So next time you look at those precious pictures and reminisce the past be proud and happy of how extremely we have been changed and how has DPC changed with us over the years before our very own eyes despite all the challenges that we have been through we have many happy memories to remember and hold onto.

And now even though we will leave DPC to face the unknown future which lies ahead we surly know one thing that is DPC will always be with us, if not by where we are then it's by who we are, as it will always be engraved in our hearts.

Thank You!

Samar Salam



Organized by: *Ms Amina Zarar (Head , Graduate Affairs & Career Guidance)*
Mss Suaad Ahmed (In -charge, Dean's Office,)

The Community Engagement Unit in collaboration with the Graduate Affairs and Career Guidance Unit organized an Advanced Personal Skills Workshop for faculty, staff, alumni and working professionals.

Agenda

- *Communication skills*
- *Technical writing skills*
- *Equation of success*
- *The 7 habits of highly effective people (Stephen Covey)*

Speaker

*Dr. Hamdy Elaraby
Marine Consultant
Ministry of Presidential Affairs*

Venue

Dubai Pharmacy College

Date & Time

1st Session:
4 April 2018 (8:30am - 1:30 pm)
2nd Session :
11 April 2018 (8:30am - 1:30 pm)

No of

15 - 20 per session

attendees



Organized by:

Dr. Amina Mahdy (Head, Community Engagement)

Ms. Ameena Zarar (Head, Graduate Affairs & Career Guidance)

COLORECTAL CANCER AWARENESS



CERVICAL CANCER AWARENESS



The students participated in the cancer awareness campaigns organized by Zulekha Hospital

Coordinated by : Ms. Eman Zohair (Head, Student Affairs)

SCHOOL & FAIR VISITS



Deans International School – Ajman



Grammar School – Dubai



International Academic School – Dubai



Education Interface Exhibition – Abu Dhabi

Deans International School – Ajman

JSS Private School – Dubai

Grammar School – Dubai

Al Ula Private School – Sharjah

Queen International School – Dubai

Al Rashid Al Saleh Private School – Dubai

International Academic School – Dubai

Pristine Private School – Dubai

Al Ittihad Private School – Dubai

GETEX Exhibition – Dubai

Education Interface Exhibition – Abu Dhabi



Al Ula Private School – Sharjah



Queen International School – Dubai



Al Rashid Al Saleh Private School Dubai



GETEX Exhibition – Dubai

Coordinated by : Ms. Eman Zohair
(Head, Student Affairs)

STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMME (SEP)

Student Exchange Programme (SEP) is IPSF's largest project, offering professional pharmacy internships. Every year, more than 900 students around the world are given the opportunity to experience pharmacy practice in more than 60 different countries. The IPSF member organizations organize the exchanges by finding host sites where the students are trained.

The programme runs throughout the year (Winter version and Summer version), but the majority of the exchanges take place between May and September. The length is usually 2 weeks up to 3 months with a minimum of 40 working hours per exchange, and possible host sites include:

- Community pharmacy;
- Hospital pharmacy;
- Clinical pharmacy;
- Wholesale pharmacy;
- Pharmaceutical industry;
- Research at university;
- Government or private health agencies.



The host may also provide room, board and/or pocket money in addition to the training site in order to help the applicant. During exchange, participants can share and develop pharmaceutical knowledge and skills. In the same time, this is an unique opportunity to experience new cultures, try different food, meet friends, learn new language, visit beautiful places and enjoy your vacations by enriching yourself in different ways.

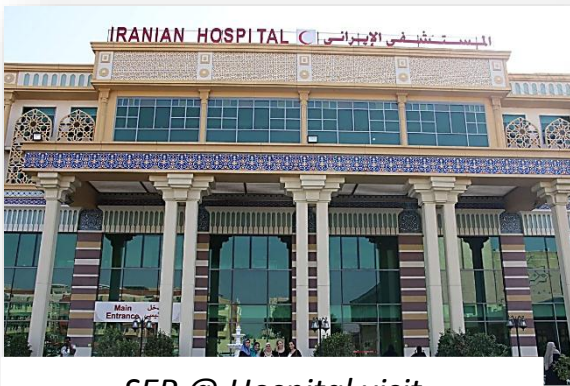
DPCSU – IPSF was proud to welcome **Ms. Johanna Weber from Technische Universität Braunschweig, Germany from 10th February, 2018 to 10th March 2018.**

Ms. Johanna Weber was inducted in the SEP to improve her research skills in the field of Pharmacology. She was trained under Dr. Rawoof Khan (Assistant Professor – Pharmacology). She also received some pharmaceutical industry exposure during her period of exchange in DPCG.

STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMME (SEP)



SEP @ Research Lab



SEP @ Hospital visit



SEP @ DUPHAT 2018



SEP @ Pharmacy





- DPCSU – IPSF students with Ms. Johanna Weber (SEP Germany)





Recruitment Sessions

RECRUITING FIRM	DATE	MODE	TARGETED GROUP	NUMBER OF APPLICANTS/ SELECTED
 PHARMALINK	17 April 2018	Full- time and part- time positions	Graduates Batch 18, 19, 20, 21 & 22.	Applicants: 18 Selected: 5
 Abbott	18 April 2018	Full-Time positions	Fourth Year Batch 23	12

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The online Test will be conducted in the College

First International Pharmacy Conference Universal Hospital, Abu Dhabi 6 April 2018



Dr. Mirza R. Baig as a Speaker in International Pharmacy Conference Conducted by Universal Hospital, in Intercontinental Hotel Abu Dhabi on 6th April 2018.

Universal Hospital has conducted its First International Pharmacy Conference in Abu Dhabi on 6th April 2018.

International speakers were invited from UK and Malaysia. Speakers from UAE were from Dubai Pharmacy College for Girls, Sharjah University, Fatima College of Health Sciences, and staff from Universal Hospital.

Dr. Mirza R. Baig has given a talk on **“Role of Pharmacist in Antibiotic Stewardship.”**



Prof. Dr. Osama Farouk Al Harastani
Conference Chairperson
MD, MSc, CMB, PhD
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Deputy Chief Medical Officer



Dr. Chandra Shekar
Conference Co-Chairperson
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Universal Hospitals



Dr. Samar Alnasir
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**SPECIAL TOPIC BY PHARMACY
INTERNS AT UNIVERSAL HOSPITAL**

Bayan Noman (B.Pharm)
Bushra Khalid (B.Pharm)
Fatima Nader (B.Pharm)

Lina Abdul Salam (B.Pharm)
Reham Oshita (B.Pharm)
Sara Tayseer (B.Pharm)



International Conference on Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences

9-11 April 2018



Dr. Mirza R. Baig was the Chairman and Speaker for International Conference on Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, Conducted by Citations International on April 09-11, 2018, Dubai UAE.

The conference was attended by the delegates came from different parts of the world like Canada, Ireland, France, Nigeria, Malaysia, Singapore, UK, Saudi Arabia, Egypt and UAE.

Dr. Mirza R. Baig gave a talk on **“Pharmaceutical Care of patients in the management of Antibiotic therapy”**.




Dr. Mirza R. Baig giving certificate to Prof. Brian P Kirby from Royal College of Surgeons, Ireland.

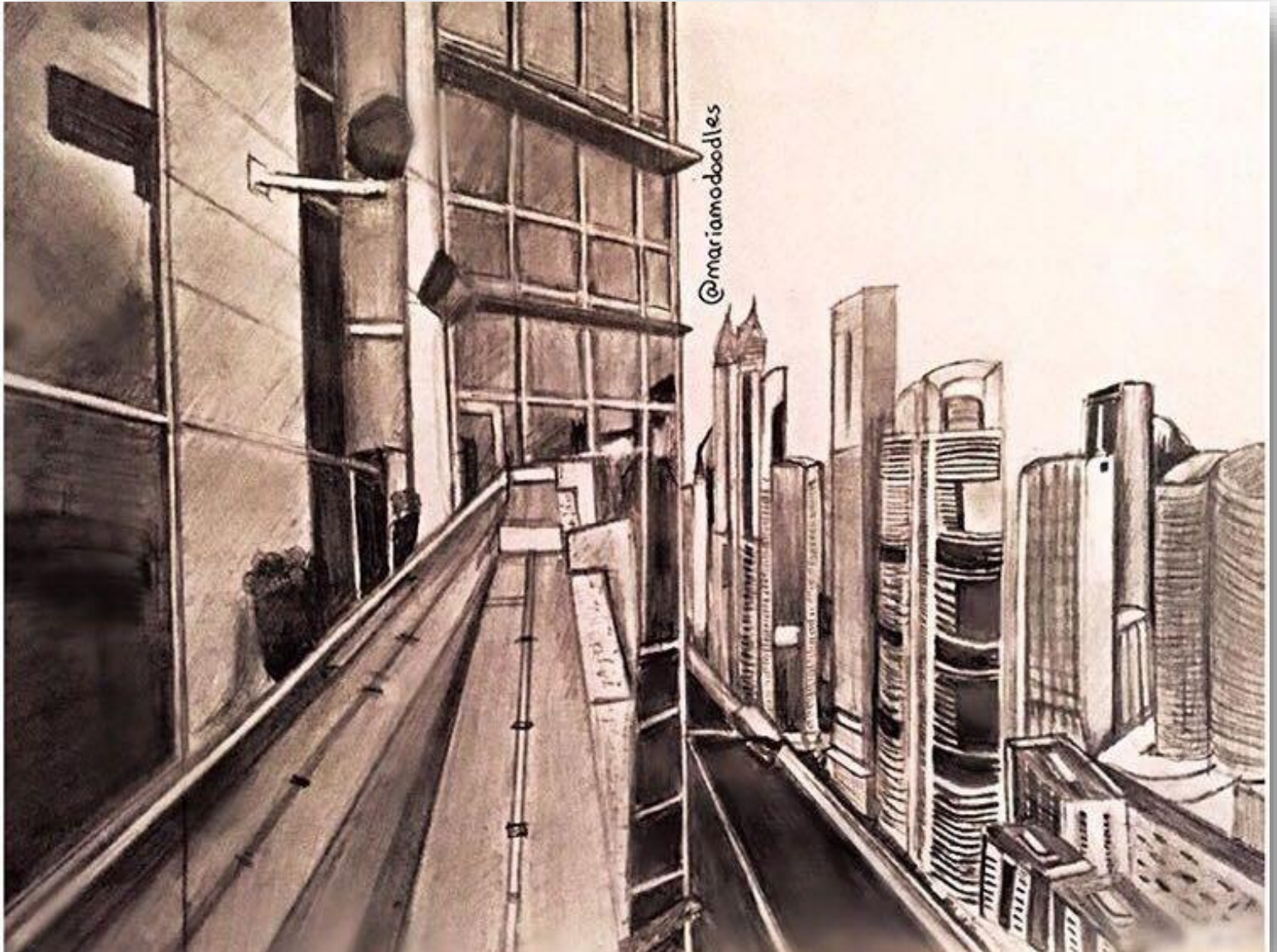
3rd Pharmacy Practice Update Symposium

13 April 2018

University Hospital Sharjah in affiliation with New Country Healthcare has conducted the 3rd Pharmacy Practice Update Symposium on 13th April 2018, in Al Owais Auditorium, Al Baraha Hospital, Dubai. The event was attended by all the working pharmacist from hospitals and community pharmacies. Dr. Mirza R. Baig has given a talk on the topic **“Artificial Intelligence in Pharmacy: Are you prepared for the future survival.”**

Event Title	The 3rd Pharmacy Practice Update Symposium
Date	Friday, 13 th April 2018
Venue	Al Owais Auditorium, Al Baraha Hospital, Dubai

SESSIONS	
Session 3	13:30 – 15:00
Chairperson:	
Dr. Padma G. M. Rao Dean, RAK College of Pharmaceutical Sciences, RAK, U.A.E	
Artificial Intelligence in Pharmacy: Are you Prepared for the Future Survival	
Dr. Mirza R. Baig Professor & Head, Dept of Clinical Pharmacy & Pharmacy Practice Dubai Pharmacy College	
Customer Excellency	
Dr. Amrou Aboubakr Area Manager, Medicina group of Pharmacies	
Discussion	



Mariam Othman (Batch 26)

Great things are done by a series of small things brought together.
-Vincent Van Gogh



UMRAH TRIP



- Dubai Pharmacy College for Girls had organized Umrah Trip from 24 - 29 Dec 2017.
- Around 84 staff, students and graduates with families performed Umrah.

DPC organizes Umrah trips every year in month of December.



International Pharmaceutical Students' Federation

Project Accreditation Form Report

Introduction

IPSF Member Organisation

DPCSU, United Arab Emirates



Location of the Activity

United Arab Emirates

Activity Coordinator

Ms. Nazia and Ms. Nasreen

Official Email

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Name of the activity

Osteoporosis Awareness Campaign.

Date

03/13/2018

Portfolio

Public Health

Summary of the Activity

The aim of this activity was to raise awareness about Osteoporosis, educate the audience about the major risk factors and the group of people which have the most highest risk of developing osteoporosis.

The planning of this event started in the beginning of March, this event involved not only students and members of faculty but it also included the mothers of the students, as women above a certain age are the most susceptible towards developing osteoporosis. An orthopedic surgeon was invited to the event where he gave the audience a detailed lecture about osteoporosis.



The event was initiated at 10 in the morning, it was a 2 hour long event which included a lecture on osteoporosis, points of guidance on how to handle or prevent the disease, a question answer session and a short patient counseling competition between the students on the topic of Osteoporosis.



Part A: Planning

Organising Team	9 Individuals
Who were involved?	Organisation's Volunteers (Executives, Committees, Coordinators, etc.), Pharmacy and/or Pharmaceutical Sciences Students
Partner Organisations, Stakeholders and Supporters	None.
Audience Reached	110 Individuals
Target Audience	Organisation's Volunteers (Executives, Committees, Coordinators, etc.), Pharmacy and/or Pharmaceutical Sciences Students, Healthcare Students, Professors, Specific group of society

Aims of the Activity

The aim was to raise awareness on Osteoporosis and educate the audience about the underlying cause of the development of this disease. The event highlighted the groups in our society that are at the highest risk of developing Osteoporosis. The invitations to this event were extended towards mothers of the students and the faculty so that they could participate as well and educate themselves about this disease. It was emphasized at this event to get regular checkups done for the members of the society aged above 50 to ensure that the body has the right levels of Vitamin D and Calcium, since these are factors that can precipitate Osteoporosis.

Plan of procedure of the Activity

The planning of this event was initiated in the beginning of March, it was planned within the first week of March to speak to a health professional and invite him to the campus to meet the students and speak to them about Osteoporosis in detail and explain to them the complications of this disease and the major drugs that are used for this disease.

It was later on decided to include members of the community as well by inviting the



mothers of all the students and the faculty.

The media and arts club were informed in the first week of March about this event, so they began preparations of the decorations immediately.

The main advertising of the event was done by the posters that were put up outside lecture halls and around the campus, these posters were designed by the media and publications committee and they included all the details of the events. The event was advertised through social media and invitations were sent out as well.

The budget was mainly provided by the college and the fund for the awards for the winners of the patient counseling event were paid by the treasurer's committee.



Part B: Report

Statistics

Theoretical Hours	2
Practical Hours	3

Organization of Activity

27th of February:

The event was discussed about in detail and a meeting was held to get approval for the event.

1st of March:

The volunteers were selected and the art and media club was notified about the event and the preparations of the decorations were initiated. The date for the event was fixed and the auditorium was reserved for the date.

4th of March:

The applications for the patient counseling event were sent to all the students by email and a deadline was given to all the students to file in their applications before the 8th of March.

6th of March:

The posters for the event were put up around the campus and outside lecture halls. Invitations were sent to all the members of the faculty.

8th of March:

Invitations of the event were sent to all the students and their parents via text message so that maximal amount of people could participate in this event and benefit from it.

11th of March:

The participants for the patient counseling event were finalized and then informed so that they could prepare themselves for the competition.

12th of March:

The decorations were put up and all the final touches were completed.



Implementation

The event was initiated by a student speaker who gave us a short introduction on Osteoporosis, a short video was then showed to the audience which explained Osteoporosis through a visual aspect to give the audience a better understanding about the underlying mechanism of the disease and its development.

This was then followed by a lecture given by Dr. Kirti Mohan, who is an Orthopedic surgeon at Aster clinic. He gave the audience an insight to Osteoarthritis, the complications it can lead to if not diagnosed on time and not treated properly.

He presented real life cases from his practice, these cases were not diagnosed in the first stages, so this showed the audience the severity of Osteoporosis, if not given the proper care and attention it requires.

He then even spoke to the students about the drugs that are used for Osteoporosis and educated the pharmacy students on the cases of Osteoporosis where the doses of drugs are supposed to be readjusted.

His lecture was followed by a question and answer session, where all the students and faculty members from the audience got a chance to clear their doubts about Osteoporosis from Dr. Kirti Mohan.

After this lecture, the patient counseling competition was held between the students.

There were three participants that were selected from the applications, there was a student who participated as a patient, she presented herself as someone with osteoporosis and the participants came turn by turn and counselled her.

Their counseling was judged by the professors, and after this competition, the dean came on stage to thank Dr. Kirti for his participation and the students for their hard work.

This was followed by the presentation of an award that was given to the winner of the competition and a certificate of appreciation that was presented to Dr. Kirti for his time and efforts.

Results/Outcomes of the Activity

This event was extremely effective in counseling the audience, a lot of people were interested and many questions were asked in the question answer session.

The event truly helped in raising awareness of Osteoporosis.

Evaluation of the Activity

The event was successful and a lot of students and their mothers specifically learnt a lot from this event.



What should be avoided or carefully prevented:

-More attention should be given to timing, Dr. Kirti arrived early and it took a lot of time for the students and other guests and audiences to gather, so the timing should be given a lot of thought and attention so that the event starts at the fixed time.

Final remarks

The event was extremely beneficial and we believe a lot of students, teachers and parents understood osteoporosis and its complications just as planned by the coordinators and the faculty.

Annexes



