

**Third Meeting of Representatives of GMC Alumni Association (GMCAA) and President KASHMER with Principal & Dean Government Medical College, Prof. Samia Rashid, Srinagar, Kashmir.**

*Tuesday, August 14, 2018.*

**Attendees**

1. Prof. Samia Rashid, Principal & Dean Medical College, Srinagar, Kashmir
2. Prof. Khalid. J. Qazi, International Coordinator GMC Alumni Association (GMCAA).
3. Dr. Arshid Hussain, Associate Professor Psychiatry Government medical college
4. Dr. Saleem Khan, Head Department of Social and Preventive Medicine, Government Medical College, Srinagar ,Kashmir
5. Dr. Mudasir Chisti, GMCAA
6. Raheela Majeed, IT Department, Government Medical college Srinagar.

As part of ongoing deliberations, Representatives of GMCAA headed by Prof. Khalid J. Qazi, International Coordinator GMCAA, met with the Principal Medical College Prof. Samia Rashid on August 14, 2018 in her chambers at 4PM.

**Key Takeaways:**

1. Establishment of E-Classrooms had been discussed in the previous meeting. Dr Arshid Hussain informed the group that the preliminary information had been e-mailed to Dr Bilal Malik in this regard.
2. To further enhance practice of Evidence based Medicine, it was felt useful to enable ready access to the latest data & medical research. Prof Samia Rashid informed the group that GMC already has access to ERMED, an electronic resource for medical information & healthcare delivery. Establishing an institutional access to UpToDate could be a future consideration in this direction.
3. More discussion was held regarding annual CME programs to be conducted in GMC. It was proposed to have Guest speakers under the aegis of Alumni Association. Prof Samia Rashid suggested the 1st week of July to be the ideal time next year in 2019. GMC was also chosen as the preferred venue for the

programs. The finalized dates were requested to be communicated to GMCAA 3 months ahead of time.

4. Prof Qazi requested that the CME topics be selected by GMC faculty depending on current /local needs for which the Guest speakers could share their expertise. Once topics are communicated, GMCAA would arrange the appropriate speakers from amongst the Alumni. Prof Qazi would coordinate with Dr Arshid Hussain in this regard.
5. A formal Faculty Development Workshop was also requested to be conducted at either the time of CME programs or at the time of Annual PG Research Symposium.
6. Principal GMC informed the group that the Institution now regularly conducts a PG Research Symposium. To encourage quality Research, it was proposed to institute an Award with the sponsorship of GMCAA wherein the best Research presentations would be recognized & suitably rewarded. The faculty members & Principal GMC informed the group that the presentations are well in excess of 130 each year. It was decided to consolidate these into 3 groups — Basic Sciences ( Preclinical ), Medical & Surgical Sciences. The best Research presentation from each group would thus be selected for an Award.
7. The attendees agreed to stay in close contact & communicate via email to review progress & coordinate the different programs/projects.