



I am indeed very happy to know about the launch of the Medical Education and Research Journal by the Medical Education Chapter dedicated to advancing knowledge and innovation in healthcare education.

This journal aims to serve as a platform for the exchange of ideas, research, and best practices in medical education, ultimately enhancing the quality of healthcare delivery worldwide.

This is a remarkable achievement that highlights the dedication, expertise, and vision if MEC in advancing medical education.

Your commitment to excellence and your passion for advancing the field of healthcare education are truly commendable. I are confident that this journal will make a significant impact on the future of medical education, ultimately improving patient care and outcomes.

I extend my heartfelt congratulations to each and every one of you especially Dr. Somashekhar Nimbalkar,

Dr. Pawan Kalyan & Dr. Roosy Aulakh. Your hard work and dedication have set a high standard in the

medical education community, and we look forward to the continued success of this journal under your expert guidance.

Warmest congratulations once again!

Dr G.V. Basavaraja National President Indian Academy of Pediatrics





Dear All,

I'm extremely happy to know that one of the youngest chapters of IAP has already grown and developed so fast as to bring its first issue of a medical education journal.

As we all know the process of learning is never-ending. Medical professionals and teachers all the more need to stay updated as they impart knowledge and skills to the students year after year.

Education is not simply an act of increase in knowledge or acquisition of facts and skills of purely practical value but an abstraction of meaning, in which what is studied is in some way changed, and not simply reproduced.

I'm sure the journal under the leadership of Dr Somashekhar Nimbalkar, Dr Pawan Kalyan & Dr. Roosy

Aulakh will pass the test of time and find a permanent place in the inbox of all our pediatric teachers.

My best wishes for this excellent endeavour.

Happy reading

Dr Upendra Kinjawadekar Immediate Past President (2023) Indian Academy of Pediatrics





Dear Friends from Medical Education & Research Chapter of IAP

Greetings from Central IAP

It is heartening that our great organization has a new and important offshoot which exclusively

nurtures Medical Education & Research among its members.

Dr Harish Pemde as President & Dr Pawan Kalyan as Secretary are toiling hard to

establish this Chapter. They have roped in Dr Roosy Aulakh a great academic figure as the Editor of this prestigious Journal.

No doubt, this Chapter and Journal will be an important milestone in IAP's chequered history.

All those who are giving their selfless services to this academic cause deserve tremendous appreciation. I extend my best wishes for the first dedicated medical education journal of our own!

> Dr Yogesh Parikh HSG - IAP 2024-25





I am delighted to learn that the maiden issue of IAP-MEC's Medical Education Journal is due for release, and I congratulate all those involved in bringing out this publication. The journal was a dream project of MEC right from its inception. It was initiated during my tenure as the Founding Chairperson, and it is coming to fruition due to the persistent efforts of the successive teams of leaders who have helmed MEC.

I must especially congratulate the incumbent Chairperson, Dr. Somashekhar Nimbalkar, the Secretary, Dr. P.S. Pawan Kalyan, and the Chairperson-Elect, Dr. Harish Kumar Pemde, for spearheading this venture.

Most importantly, my heartfelt appreciation goes out to the multitalented Editorial Team led by Dr. Roosy Aulakh and comprising Dr. Ajay Gaur, Dr. Preeti Malhotra, Dr. Mangla Sood, and Dr. Prashant Kariya as Editors and Dr. Shashikant Dhir, Dr. Sujata Kanhere, and Dr. Priyanka Gupta as Associate Editors. Without their hands-on effort, this onerous task would have been impossible. The Medical Education Journal fills a big void in healthcare literature. It provides a unique and exclusive platform for medical educators to voice their thoughts, and there is no other publication like it in India. Medical education plays a key role in grooming the upcoming generations of practitioners, and healthcare itself would cease to exist in its absence. Yet it has not gained its due recognition as a vital discipline in its own right. IAP-MEC was formed with the vision to address this issue, and we have made good progress within a short period.

The launch of the Medical Education Journal will take our mission forward by widely disseminating scholarly articles, which will surely result in a qualitative transformation of the medical education sector. We should now work towards establishing our authenticity by getting this publication indexed. Medical education spans all specialities, and most of the issues are of common concern. Hence, we should also keep our doors open to the contribution of relevant articles from all specialities and not just Pediatrics.

I am sure the Medical Education Journal will evolve into a coveted professional publication, and I once again congratulate everyone on this great achievement. I also express my greetings to all the readers and wish you a fruitful reading experience.

Dr. Santosh T. Soans IAP President 2018 Founding Chairperson IAP Medical Education Chapter





Message from Dr Harish K Pemde Chairperson Elect, IAP MEC

I am very happy to learn that the inaugural issue of the official journal of IAP Medical Education Chapter is being published. This chapter is just few years old and we are having our own journal is a matter of pride. Kudos to the Editorial Team led by Dr Roosy Aulakh.

Medical education, though a critical factor in healthcare and its management, has not received its due importance in society and in academic circles. The nuts and volts of medical education technology have not got enough attention of the leaders of IAP. This is the time that we focus on developing not only the contents of the subject matter but also the tools, processes, protocols, and guidelines on medical education technology.

Creating our own evidence cannot be over emphasized in the current times. The developments in information technology and use or artificial intelligence are bringing big changes in every field and medical education can not remain untouched. We need to learn to incorporate these newer technologies in teaching and training of medical students and of the practicing physicians. Equally important will be creating evidence and publishing good quality research papers in medical education technology.

Any new journal faces lots of initial hurdles like finding resources for publishing it, and getting good quality original research articles. Defining research priorities in the areas of Pediatrics Education and training our members in research methods (appropriate for research in medical technology) will help in having relevant research papers. This will have to betaken on priority. I expect the journal committee to own this responsibility and organize the needed programs. Research articles of desirable quality are likely to follow and thus we can create relevant evidences for best practices in Pediatric Education. This will be a great contribution to the medical education in general and ultimately to the betterment of clinical practices in Pediatrics.

I offer my best wishes and all the support to the team.

Dr Harish K Pemde, MD FIAP Chairperson IAP Medical Education Chapter (2024)





The Official Journal of the Medical Education Chapter of the Indian Academy of Pediatrics is being released during the 10th National Conference of Pediatric Education. It is the labor of love of the editorial team over the past few months. The Journal will cater to Pediatric Professionals as well as other professionals who work in Medical Education in India. About 70% of the articles will be specific to Pediatric Education, and we welcome articles from other specialities. As Medical Education changes rapidly in India with the National Medical Council leading with changes such as NExT, Quality of Medical Education, etc., I am sure this journal will soon be a leading platform across India for students and faculty alike. The Editorial team led by Dr. RoosyAulakh has shown great leadership and commitment to the cause of Pediatric Medical Education and I wish them the very best in this endeavor. As Chairperson for the Chapter, I assure them of all the help possible this year as well as shortly.

Prof. Somashekhar Nimbalkar Immediate Past Chairperson IAP Medical Education Chapter (2023)





Dear Readers,

It is with great pleasure and enthusiasm that I welcome you to the inaugural issue of our medical education and research journal. As the secretary of the chapter, I am honored to be a part of this significant milestone in our journey towards advancing medical knowledge and promoting excellence in healthcare.

This journal aims to serve as a platform for the dissemination of cutting-edge research, innovative educational practices, and insightful perspectives within the field of medicine. By providing a space for scholars, clinicians, and educators to share their expertise and experiences, we hope to foster collaboration, inspire critical thinking, and ultimately improve patient care.

I would like to express my gratitude to the editorial board, reviewers, and authors who have contributed their time and expertise in bringing this inaugural issue to fruition. Their dedication and commitment to excellence have been instrumental in ensuring the quality and integrity of the published content.

Finally, I extend my warmest invitation to all healthcare professionals, researchers, and educators to actively engage with our journal. Your support and participation will be invaluable in shaping the future of medical education and research.

Thank you for joining us on this exciting journey. Together, let us strive to make a meaningful impact on the health and well-being of individuals and communities worldwide.

Sincerely, Dr Pawan Kalyan Secretary IAP Medical Education Chapter (2023-24)