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CALL FOR PAPERS

FOR SEMINAR ON THE TOPIC:

***"PUBLIC HEALTH SYSTEM AT THE GRASSROOT LEVEL IN
INDIA: REGULATORY AND POLICY-LEVEL APPROACH"***

ORGANISED UNDER THE RUSA 2.0-T5G PROJECT

Submission Deadline 16th December, 2023

SUB-THEMES

- Public Health Realm: Global & National paradigm.
- Challenges of Public Health.
- Vulnerable population & Public Health System.
- Health Equity and Inclusivity.
- Policy and regulatory framework of Primary Health Care System.
- Functional Analysis of Primary Health Centres in India.
- Palliative Care & Assisted support in Public Health System.
- Community engagement & empowerment through primary health care.
- Health Care workers in Primary Health Centres: perspectives and challenges.
- Universal Health Coverage & Role of Primary Health Centres.
- Panchayati Raj Institutions & Primary Health care.
- Digital Health & Technological interventions.
- Financial management of PHCs.
- Financial sustainability of PHCs.
- Impact of funding on service quality & availability.
- Policy Impact & Implementation in PHCs.
- Effectiveness of Health policies & challenges in adaptability.
- Health Data Management and the law.
- Emergency Response and Care.
- Readiness of PHCs to respond to health emergencies.
- Co-ordination between PHCs & higher level healthcare facilities.

IMPORTANT DATES

- 8TH DECEMBER, 2023
Last Date for Abstract Submission
- 8TH DECEMBER, 2023
Last Date for Registration
- 11TH DECEMBER, 2023
Selection of Abstracts
- 16TH DECEMBER, 2023
Last Date for Submission of Full paper

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ABOUT ICREP

Prof. N R Madhava Menon Interdisciplinary Centre for Research Ethics and Protocols is an Inter University Centre of Excellence which undertakes research and academic programs in the area of law, bioethics as well as in all areas of application of research ethics. The Centre is housed in the main campus of Cochin university of science and technology, Kerala.

ABOUT RUSA

The Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan is the central government's contribution to further the promise held by the rich expanse of India's state universities. The country's future lies in empowering these campuses with all that it takes to enhance learning, better research and promote innovation. A centrally sponsored scheme, RUSA understands that sometimes the most important lessons of life are learnt outside the classroom. So, whether it is upgrading libraries or computer laboratories, promoting autonomous colleges or clubbing them to consolidate their strength and forming cluster universities, this programme realizes that every institution holds the power to enrich lives through top-class education. It aims to usher transformative reforms in the State Higher Education System by creating a facilitating institutional structure for planning and monitoring at the state level, promoting autonomy in State Universities and improving governance in institutions.

ABOUT RUSA 2.0-T5G PROJECT

The current project is titled as "*Effectiveness of Regulatory and Policy Control over Primary Health Centres in the State of Kerala*". It specifically aims at investigating the existing challenges in the effective functioning of Primary Health Centres (PHCs hereinafter) in the State of Kerala and evaluating the adequacy of the existing regulatory and administrative policy control in their functioning. In a nutshell, these centres are actually plagued with problems such as a smaller number of doctors or absence of their service, lack of nursing and paramedical staffs, poor sanitation facilities, poor infrastructure such as inpatient rooms, beds, lab facilities, lack of financial resources and autonomy, excessive bureaucratic controls and interferences etc. Moreover, apathy of regulatory and administrative authorities towards them had led to mushrooming of private health clinics and services. This study will look into the challenges faced by them and would suggest managerial techniques to be employed in getting best health services through these centres. It would thereby suggest the necessary regulatory and policy level changes to be brought forth in making PHC's effective instruments of public health care delivery.

ABOUT THE SEMINAR

India, with its vast and diverse population, faces significant challenges in providing accessible and quality healthcare to its citizens. One of the Constitutional aspirations of the founding fathers were protection of health of the public. The Concurrent list of the constitution supports in making Laws relating to Public Health. The public health system at the grassroot level plays a crucial role in addressing these challenges. This seminar would focus on examining the operational aspects of public health system in India especially at the grassroot level with a specific emphasis on the regulatory and policy frameworks that govern them. It will provide an overview of the role and significance of Primary Health Centres(PHCs) in the healthcare system by highlighting the importance of PHCs as the first point of contact for primary healthcare services. Primary Health Centres being the first physical point of contact between patient and the doctor, therefore OPD (Out-Patient Department) services play important role towards the preliminary diagnosis, as well the further referral to the higher level of health facilities, wherever required. So, the seminar will be analyzing the strengths and weaknesses of the current PHC's working model. Besides, it examines the regulatory mechanisms in place for governing PHCs by discussing the roles of various regulatory bodies and agencies involved in monitoring PHC's operations. It will explore the healthcare policies at the national level as well as the state level that impact PHCs by identifying common challenges faced by PHCs, such as resource constraints, staffing issues, and infrastructure limitations. The government's commitment towards achieving universal health coverage and addressing the unique

healthcare needs of diverse communities is evident in the various initiatives and programs. However, sustained efforts, collaboration between stakeholders, and adaptability to emerging health challenges are crucial in realizing the vision of a robust and accessible public health system for all citizens.

PREFERRED/TARGETED AUTHORS

We are pleased to invite the submission of well researched articles from students/professionals/academicians/researchers and other stakeholders who are having diversified knowledge in medico-legal aspects of the main theme.

SUBMISSION PROCEDURE

- All submissions should be sent with a covering letter indicating the name of the author, designation and e-mail id.
- The submission should be made through E-mail (rusa2.0t5g@gmail.com). The document should be in Microsoft word (.docx) format.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- The paper must contain an abstract which should encompass the structure, rationale and the scope of the paper with 5 keywords.
- All the papers must contain an introduction and conclusion with suggestions.
- The layout must be as follows:

Font: Times New Roman,
Font size: headings -14; Body-12, Line Spacing:1.5,
Margin: Left-1.5; Right-1; Top-1; Bottom-1,
Footnotes: Times New Roman with Font size-10,
Sub headings: Times New Roman-12, Left Aligned.

- Co-authorship is allowed for up to a maximum of 2 authors The word limit for article shall be 4000-8000 words.
- Footnotes should be in Bluebook (20th ed.) citation format.
- A Plagiarism report should also to be submitted along with the paper. Papers exceeding 10% similarity will be summarily rejected.
- Copy right of all entries shall exclusively vest with Prof. N. R. Madhava Menon Interdisciplinary Centre for Research Ethics and Protocols and the submission would imply that the author has assigned such rights to the Centre.
- The author is required to attach a declaration form stating that his/her work is original and hasn't been published anywhere or not in consideration for publication else were.
- Selected articles/research papers will be published in a book bearing an ISBN Number.

SUB-THEMES

The Conference/Seminar would deliberate and discuss on the research papers/articles on the above-mentioned themes, sub-themes, or any other aspects related to Public Health Laws.

VENUE OF SEMINAR:

ICREP SEMINAR HALL

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