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PRESS RELEASE

COVID SUMMIT-THE CURRENT SCENARIO AND FUTURE PREPAREDNESS

Maharashtra Medical Council has organized two days' workshop i.e. on 29/05/2021 and 30/05/2021 of "Covid Summit-The Current Scenario and Future Preparedness". The inauguration of the event was done with august hands of Shri. Uddhavji Balasaheb Thackeray, Hon'ble Chief Minister in the presence of Shri. Amitji Vilasrao Deshmukh, Hon'ble Minister Medical Education and Cultural Affairs, Dr. Shivkumar Utture, Hon'ble President, Dr. Vinky Rughwani, Hon'ble Vice-President, all Hon'ble Council Members, Dr. Tatyrao Lahane Hon'ble Director Medical Education and Research, Dr. Sadhana Tayade Hon'ble Director Health Services and also the members of Maharashtra Task Force Dr. Sanjay Oak, Dr. Shashank Joshi, Dr. Rahul Pandit, Dr. Suhash Prabhu, Dr. Ashesh Bhumkar, Dr. Bakul Parikh and experts Dr. Raman Gangakhedkar, Dr. Bhavin Jankharia, Dr. Avinash Phadke, Dr. Jayesh Lele, Dr. Jalil Parkar, Dr. Uma Tendolkar, Dr. Mangesh Tiwaskar, Dr. Anita Mathew & Dr. Shilpa Sankhe and others.

At the beginning of the opening ceremony of the Covid summit, Dr. Archana Pate as a Convenor welcomed Hon'ble Chief Minister, Minister Medical Education and all the present members.

Dr. Shivkumar Utture President, Maharashtra Medical Council, Mumbai, expressed his gratitude to the Hon'ble Chief Minister for accepting the invitation of the Council for the Covid Summit and for giving valuable time out of his busy schedule. In view of the first and second wave of Covid-19 in Maharashtra and considering the availability of doctors for treating Covid patient, Maharashtra Medical has given temporary registration to 8,500 students and about 12,500 students were given permanent registration in nick of time, the council played a

role in making the treatment available to the government for treating covid patients.

On the said occasion Covid summit, the Chief Minister expressed his thanks for organizing two days' conference and also appreciated the doctors who has taken part in the war against Covid. Further he also stated that, some of the symptoms of diseases/comorbidities occur during the rainy season and the symptoms of corona are the same, so doctors should identify the symptoms of corona in the patient who approaches to them. Also, Hon'ble Chief Minister Shir. Uddhav Thackeray suggested that, the patients in the home isolation should be closely monitored to see if they are being treated properly.

Hon'ble Chief Minister also pointed out that, Corona's symptoms are deceptive. Most people don't even see the symptoms. It is your responsibility to properly identify covid patients. Doctors need to see if the covid patients, especially those in the primary and middle stages and who do not need to be hospitalized, the doctors should also see whether the covid patient is getting proper treatment at home or not. Doctors should also identify the patient when they need to be moved to the hospital. Doctors should be careful that, the treatment should not be worsened than the disease as there is a huge difference between previous infection and the current infection. The current infection has spread by a mutated virus and is very fast. Furthermore, patients have to undergo treatment for a long time. Hon'ble Chief Minister also referred to the rapid spread of myocardial infarction. The second wave of Corona also involves children, the third wave could affect a large number of children also, hence doctors should be more vigilant in this regard. Hon'ble Chief Minister concluded his speech by thanking the Maharashtra Medical Council for giving the platform to speak directly to the doctors through this 2 days Covid summit.

Dr. Archana Pate welcomed all the speakers and panelists for the unique webinar and started the webinar as per the program schedule.

On the first day of the webinar Dr. Rahul Pandit has initiated his detailed speech on the "Overview of Covid Infection, Presentation and Complications, Treatment (Including Newer Treatment Options)".

Later on Dr. Shashank Joshi has begun his detailed speech on the "Management of Home Isolation Patients and Red Flags".

Dr. Bhavin Jankharia was the third speaker to occupy the stage and he has started his detailed speech on the "Importance of Imaging Modalities in Covid".

The topic "Pathological Investigations in Covid- Why, Which and When" was thoroughly discussed by Dr. Avinash Phadke.

Later on panelist Dr. Sanjay Oak, Dr. Suhas Prabhu, Dr. Tatyrao Lahane, Dr. Sadhana Tayade, Dr. Shivkumar Utture, Dr. Jayesh Lele primarily put forward their view on the "Anticipating, Preparing and Tackling the third wave" and further they were also participated in group discussion in respect of said topic.

Hon'ble President Dr. Shivkumar Utture declared end of first day of Covid Summit.

The 2nd day of the Covid Summit was scheduled on 30th May 2021. Dr. Archana Pate, Convenor with due permission from the Hon'ble President has welcomed the speakers, panelists and all Hon'ble Council members and initiated the program as per schedule.

On the second day of the webinar Dr. Raman Gangakhedkar has initiated his detailed speech on the "Covid Vaccination".

The panelist Dr. Jalil Parkar- Intensivist, Dr. Ashesh Bhumkar- ENT, Dr. Uma Tendolkar- Mycologist and Dr. Shilpa Sankhe- Radiologist primarily put forward their view on the "Tackling Fungal Menace in Covid - A multidisciplinary approach" and further they were participated in group discussion in respect of said topic.

The topic "Paediatric Covid - Early Diagnosis and Management" was thoroughly discussed by Dr. Bakul Parikh.

" Long Covid and Management" was thoroughly discussed by Dr. Mangesh Tiwaskar.

Dr. Anita Mathews was the fourth speaker for the second day and she has started her detailed speech on the "Post -Covid complications - where are we going wrong + Role of Rehabilitation".

At the near end of the second day, Dr. Shivkumar Utture President, MMC gave his detailed speech in respect of "Ethical Issues in Covid Management".

Approximate 36,014 delegates have participated in the said "Covid Summit" & they have learned a wide range of topics such as the overall nature of corona infection, treatment in home isolation, infection in children,

preparedness to the third wave, vaccination, treatment of mucormycosis, corona management, pathology tests, and post-corona disease.

Dr. Archana Pate, Convenor, MMC thanked Hon'ble Minister, Medical Education and Cultural Affairs, Director Medical Education and Research, Director Health Services, speakers, panelists, President, Vice President and all Council Members for sharing valuable information to the medical community through this Covid webinar. She has also thanked to the Registrar, Deputy Registrar and staff of the Council for the co-operation for organisation of the webinar.



Sanjay Deshmukh
Registrar,

Maharashtra Medical Council

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