



AHPI Newsletter

October to December 2023



From the Desk of Director General

I am happy to note that there will be quarterly Newsletter of AHPI on regular basis. It will mainly keep members informed about key developments happening around healthcare industry in general and hospitals in particular. Healthcare has assumed centre stage and all state governments are trying to improve upon the healthcare infrastructure. There is initiative to have one medical college in each district. This will hopefully meet the shortage of doctors in our country. We have suggested to government to have 4-5 PGI Chandigarh type of institute to fast-track availability of specialists. Equally important is to make good the shortage of hospital beds. We have submitted white paper to government, which reflects gross imbalance in number of beds. For example, Karnataka has 4.2 beds per 1000 population, where as Bihar has 0.3 beds per 1000 population. AHPI is pursuing with government to incentivise private sector to open 100-bedded Ayushman Bharat hospitals in Tier-III towns. Health being state subject, it is important that our state chapters liaise with state governments on these lines.

Past 3-months have passed among the speculation on revision of CGHS rates. Finally rates for cardiology and more recently rates for surgical procedures have got revised. CGHS is working on revision of other specialty rates and we shall follow up. Financial sustenance continues to be major issue and we need to work on it with full intensity.

I would impress upon the AHPI state chapter leadership to remain active and mobilize EC to continuously engage with members through sharing of important events, literature and also organize meetings, webinars etc. Networking of member hospitals is the only way to keep industry united and then only we will be able to effectively take up advocacy issues with government.

Wishing you all the best

Dr Girdhar J gyani
Director General, AHPI



From the Editorial Desk

Dear AHPI Members and Healthcare Leaders,

As we usher in the new year, it brings with it a moment of reflection on the incredible strides we have made together as a consortium, dedicated to enhancing healthcare in India. The last three-four months have been a whirlwind of activities for the Association of Healthcare Providers India (AHPI), and it is with great pleasure that we share the highlights of our collective efforts in this edition of the AHPI Newsletter.

1. **Advocacy for Patient-Centric Policies:** Advocacy remains at the core of AHPI's mission, and the past three months have seen us actively engaging with policymakers and stakeholders to champion patient-centric policies. We have been vocal proponents of initiatives aimed at improving healthcare accessibility, affordability, and quality. Through our advocacy efforts, we aim to shape a healthcare landscape that prioritizes the well-being of society, ensures equitable access to high-quality healthcare services for all and create a safe and violence-free environment for healthcare professions.
2. **Collaborative Initiatives for Knowledge Exchange:** AHPI has always been committed to fostering a culture of continuous learning and collaboration within the healthcare sector. Over the past quarter, we organized a series of webinars, workshops, and interactive sessions, bringing together industry experts, healthcare professionals, and thought leaders to share insights, best practices, and innovative approaches.
3. **Capacity Building initiatives:** AHPI has undertaken impactful initiatives in capacity building to enhance healthcare proficiency and contribute to the continuous improvement of healthcare ecosystem. Our training programs cover diverse areas from communication skills to cutting-edge technologies. The AHPI Academy serves as a hub for continuous learning, fostering professional growth in healthcare management and leadership.
4. **Membership Growth and Networking:** Over a period of past 11 years, AHPI has grown in membership strength and recognition. We are delighted to welcome new members to the AHPI family. The growth of our membership base spread across the country reflects the trust and confidence that healthcare providers place in our mission. We have also facilitated networking opportunities that contribute to the overall growth and development of the healthcare community in India.
5. **AHPI Leadership Forum :** With an aim to creating a strong community of healthcare providers and further expanding its network, AHPI launched its much demanded and most awaited Leadership Forum for individual members. The Forum will serve as a strong voice as well as strong network of healthcare leaders across all sectors and domain. The response to the membership is awe inspiring. I urge all the healthcare professionals to be a part of strong community of healthcare leaders to build healthcare ecosystem that is based on credibility, integrity, trust and confidence.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all our members, partners, and stakeholders for their unwavering support in making AHPI's journey a resounding success.

Let us continue working together, hand in hand, towards a healthier, happier, and more resilient India.

Best Regards,

Dr Sunil K Khetarpal

Director, Association of Healthcare Providers India (AHPI)

AHPI Global Conclave is a country-wide event that brings India's leading healthcare professionals/ leaders to share their experience towards India realizing universal health coverage in letter and spirit. AHPI GLOBAL-CONCLAVE 2024 with the theme- "India as Vishwa Guru in Healthcare @2047-from Vision to Reality" is an attempt to look in to India's present level of preparedness in meeting current demand and prepare road map to be VISHWA GURU by year

AHPI GLOBAL CONCLAVE 2024

India as Vishwa Guru in Healthcare @2047
"From Vision to Reality"



**2nd & 3rd
FEBRUARY 2024**



**HOTEL LEELA, GANDHINAGAR,
GUJARAT**

AHPI LEADERSHIP



Dr. Bhabatosh Biswas
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Dr. Girdhar Gyani
Director General



Dr. Alexander Thomas
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Dr. Sunil Khetarpal
Director

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SPEAKERS



Dr. Preetha Reddy
Executive VC, Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Limited



Dr. B.N. Gangothar
Member, Board of Governors, NMAC & Former Director, NIMHANS



Dr. Devi Shetty
Founder & Chairman, Narayana Health & Patron, AHPI



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SM, VSM- Executive Director, NHSRC



Dr. Girdhar J. Gyani
Director General, AHPI



Dr. Ravindra Karanjekar
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Quality Manager & General Superintendent, CMC, Vellore



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Chief Quality Officer, Aster DM Healthcare



Dr. Arati Verma
Senior VP-Medical Quality, Max Healthcare



Capt. Sandhya Shankar
Corporate Chief of Nursing, Fortis Healthcare Ltd



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Dr. Sanjeev Singh
MD, Amrita Institute of Medical Sciences, Faridabad

AHPI as representative body of Healthcare Organizations in India each year recognizes and celebrates the Excellence achieved by the organizations in the healthcare industry in various fields. There are 8 categories of awards which have been designed based on the the objective criteria and assessment of hospitals by our expert assessors and selection of awardees by the jury members.



The poster features a central golden trophy with a red base. The trophy has a small plaque that says "AHPI AWARDS" and a larger one that says "10th Edition". Above the trophy, the text "AHPI AWARDS for EXCELLENCE in HEALTHCARE" is written in bold yellow and white. Below this, a yellow banner contains the text "2nd February, 2024 | Hotel Leela, Gandhinagar, Gujarat". At the top center is the AHPI logo, which is a circular emblem with "EXCELLENCE in HEALTHCARE" around the top and "AWARD" at the bottom, with "AHPI" in the center. The background is dark with golden bokeh lights.

**AHPI AWARDS for
EXCELLENCE in HEALTHCARE**

2nd February, 2024 | Hotel Leela, Gandhinagar, Gujarat

AHPI AWARDS

10th Edition

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AHPI Leadership Summit

14th of October 2023 at Delhi

1st AHPI Leadership Summit was held on 14th October, 2023 to discuss the key challenges and opportunities, which can enable India to be Vishwa Guru in healthcare sector by 2047 if not before. The summit was attended by various stakeholders including top leaders representing hospitals, medical education institutions, pharmaceuticals, information technology & medical equipment/ devices apart of AHPI Leaders from different States, who deliberated on various issues impacting healthcare.

Dr Girdhar J Gyani, Director General AHPI highlighted the challenges faced by healthcare industry and discussed about improving accessibility, affordability and acceptability of health care to achieve Universal health Coverage.

Guest of Honor Dr. Basant Garg, IAS, Addl CEO, National Health Authority highlighted the core building blocks, intended benefits, and initiatives under ABDM (Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission) for the Health Ecosystem which aims to develop the backbone necessary to support the integrated digital health infrastructure in the country.

The Summit resulted in producing of a White Paper on India's Healthcare Challenges and Way Forward with key recommendations to the Government of India.

The Summit also marked the launch of AHPI Leadership Forum, which is a membership-based forum and shall form strategic front of AHPI. The SUMMIT will now be annual event, which will dwell on leadership issues and would provide platform for interaction among leaders from all sectors of healthcare.



AHPI Leadership Forum

AHPI Leadership Forum for individual members of healthcare professionals was launched which will serve as a strong voice and create a value-based healthcare ecosystem to work with all stakeholders through collaboration and exchange of ideas to enhance the experience of members. The FORUM shall create avenues for collaboration with institutes of eminence, nationally as well as internationally in the field of leadership and help members recognized as leaders par excellence and change makers in supporting and strengthening the delivery of quality health services in the country

Link: <https://ahpi.in/Leadership-Forum/login>



National Health Summit 2023

IMA National Health Summit 2023 was organized with a pivotal theme on “Violence Against Hospitals and Healthcare Professions”

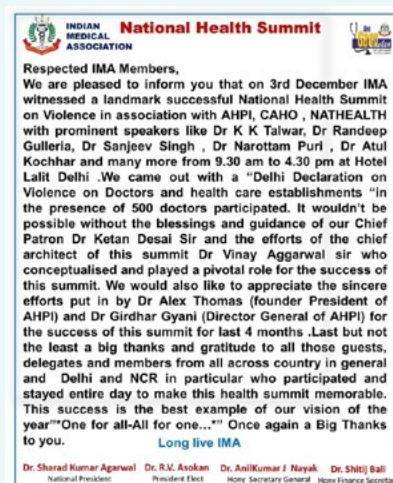
AHPI was the key stakeholder and strongly supported and actively participated in the event.

Dr Bhabatosh Biswas President AHPI chaired a session on ‘Preventive and Mitigation Strategies’

Dr Girdhar Gyani Director General AHPI shared his insight on building a Safety culture in the hospital environment..

Dr Alexander Thomas Patron Advisor AHPI along with Dr Sharad Aggarwal National President IMA, read out the Delhi Declaration and proposed vote of thanks at the inaugural session.


The event focused on Doctor-Patient Relationship and its Impact on Delivery of Care, and witnessed Participation by Stalwarts from various sectors including Healthcare, Law enforcing agencies, NMC and Industry Associations like IBHAR, NATHEALTH, CAHO & ANBAI other than AHPI



Policy & Advocacy

AHPI's intervention resulted in getting extension of the validity period of already empanelled hospitals under CGHS so as to prevent modified MOU which had imposed 40% and 20% cut on devices/ implants and pharmacy. AHPI has relentlessly followed for revision of rates. So far OPD, Diagnostics and rates in Cardiology have been revised. AHPI has taken up the matter at the level of Hon Minister for revision of rates for other procedures.

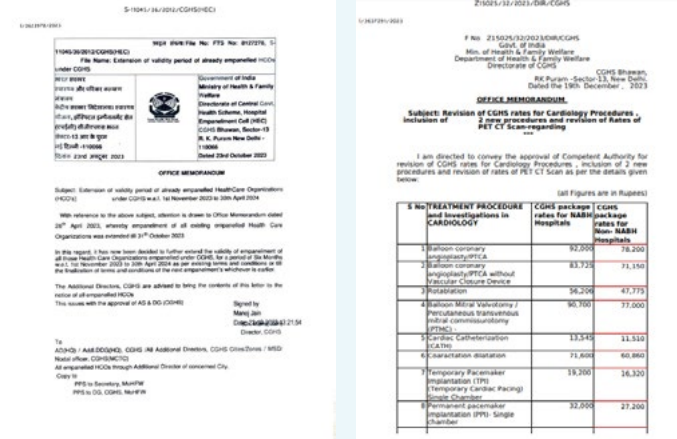
AHPI advocacy played a major role in Implementation of QR code on top 300 medicines –This will increase safety for patients allowing them to verify authenticity and expiration of drugs



QR code on top 300 medicines to ensure they are not fake from today

A QR code has been made mandatory for 300 widely-used drug brands produced from August 1, 2023. Scanning the QR code will provide vital information such as manufacturing licence and batch number to help buyers ensure that the medicines they're buying aren't fake. Medicine brands such as Dolo, Allegra, Asthalin, Saridon, Limsey and Calpol will reportedly carry the code.

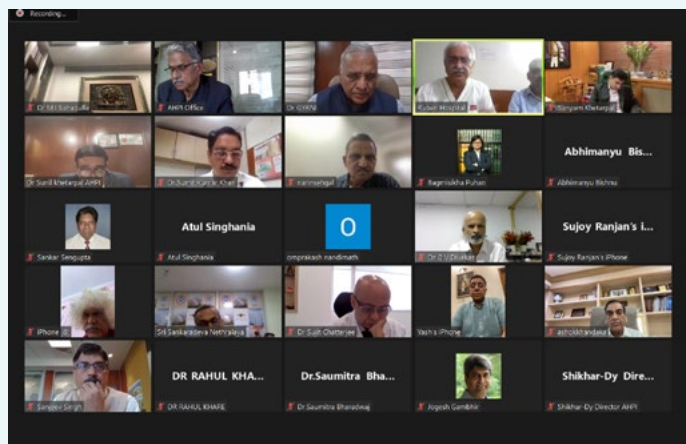
Medicines with QR codes to hit stores soon
Govt move aimed to curb counterfeit medicines



Office memorandum to all Hospitals

With the recommendations of AHPI along with stakeholders, NMC Puts Professional Conduct Regulations 2023 on hold that make it mandatory for doctors to prescribe generic drugs and bar them from endorsing any drug brands.

GIPSA (General Insurance Public Sector Association) issue faced by hospitals wrt cashless claims and to fix rack rates for medical procedures by the insurance industry, taken up by AHPI in Delhi with empanelled lawyers



Emergency virtual meeting with Lawyers and office bearers of AHPI to discuss draft NMC professional Conduct Regulations 2023

Meeting with legal advisor and member Hospitals from Delhi-NCR

Launch of AHPI END TB INITIATIVE : Webinar on STEPS - Establishing the System for TB Elimination in Private Sector” was conducted for Member Hospitals across India to support Government’s mission to eradicate TB from India by 2025

An initiative by AHPI, THE UNION, Corporate TB Pledge & USAID

AHPI with THE UNION, Corporate TB Pledge and USAID India - END TB Initiative, Establishing the System for TB elimination in Private Sector [STEPS].

Letter to Finance Minister’s Office to Introduce Health tax on Tobacco products to prevent Millions of Untimely Deaths and generate Additional Tax Revenue for the Government

Letter to Finance Minister of India

AHPI represented to Commission for Air Quality Management (CAQM) for the issues related to retrofitting device and dual fuel kit in DG sets in hospitals and diagnostic centres. Following which CAQM revised its order and allowed DG sets of all capacities to be operational for “Emergency Services” across Delhi-NCR

AHPI released a whitepaper which was based on deliberations that took place during AHPI Leadership Summit. It mainly focussed on the challenges in the way of achieving Universal Health Coverage, including making healthcare available, accessible and affordable besides improving quality and patient safety.

Academics & Training

Meeting with Mr. Scott Bjerregaard, Dept. of Home Affairs, Australia regarding support of fulfilling Australia's requirement of skilled healthcare professionals from India.



Launch of Certificate Course in Patient Safety jointly offered by Sri Ramachandra University, AHPI & IBHAR

Link : https://ahpi.in/training_programmes.php

MoU

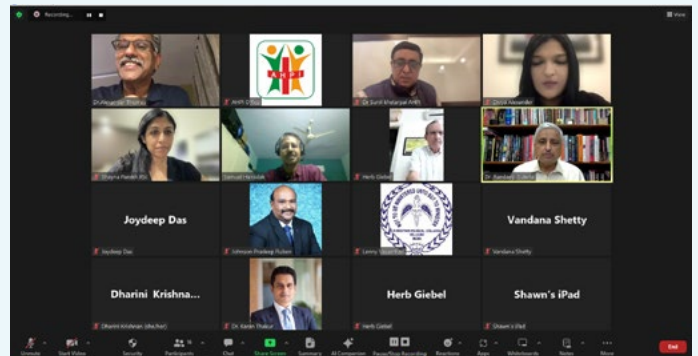
MoU with Knovator Technologies a start up company to launch the AHPI Academy, an online learning platform. AHPI Academy will offer certified courses for healthcare professionals across India, especially in remote and rural areas. thus, supporting govt. of India's Digital India mission!



Signing of MoU

Books

Meeting of Authors and Experts on the upcoming Book on "Healthy Lifestyle" to be jointly launched by AHPI & CMC Vellore during NHC 2024



Virtual Meeting of the Authors and Expert to discuss the progress made thus far

Awards



Dr. Girdhar Gyani, DG AHPI conferred with the Quimpro Platinum Statesman Award 2023

Dr Sunil K Khetarpal, Director AHPI receiving IMA - DNZ (Indian Medical Association – Delhi North Zone) Appreciation Award on Doctor’s Day 2023 for his immense contribution towards Society



International



Dr. Girdhar Gyani, DG AHPI conferred with Hon Fellowship of Institution of Fire Engineers, 2023



AHPI at the Hospital management Asia 2023 at Malaysia

Dr. Alexander Thomas, Patron, & Founder Member, Vayah Vikas receives the Founders Excellence Award for his exceptional contributions towards the hashtag#senior citizen community in our Country at the hashtag#ageing Fest by Association of Senior Living India (ASLI) New Delhi 2023



Dr Alexander Thomas with senior healthcare leaders from Singapore to explore possible collaborations in quality and patient safety.

AHPI representing Indian Delegation in “UK India Healthcare Roundtable” at London led by NSDCI (National Skill Development Council International) including key stakeholders from MoHFW, GOI, Min of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Indian High Commission UK, Healthcare Sector Skill Council, Nursing Council of India, Global Nurse Force, Ajinorah Institutes and TERN.

Dr Girdhar Gyani, Director General AHPI is on the Advisory Board of NSDC International and has an important role to support, advise and guide NSDCI in its attempt to take Indian skilled manpower globally

Dr.Alexander Thomas delivering Keynote address on “Quality Health for the Creation of a More Sustainable, Competitive, and Human World“ at the Asia Pacific Quality Organization [APQO] conference at Nepal



AHPI at GAPIO Conference in London organised by BAPIO



Webinars

Webinar
Surgical Device Validation
 Accuracy, Reliability and Regulatory Compliance

27th September 15:00hrs to 16:00hrs

Speaker Profiles

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Dr. Girdhar Gyani, Director General, AHPI INDIA

SPEAKER
Dr. Purva Mathur, Professor, Microbiology Unit of Laboratory Medicine, JPNATrauma Center, AIIMS, New Delhi

SPEAKER
Dr. Sanjeev Singh, Medical Director, Amrita Institute of Medical Sciences, Farkabad

SPEAKER
Ms. Barnali Banik, Senior Manager Education Solutions, ASP South Asia

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

AHPI & ASP - Webinar on Surgical device Validation - accuracy , reliability & regulatory compliance, around 200 members participated.

Anti-Microbial Resistance
 Addressing Challenges

Tuesday, 21 Nov 2023
 03:00pm - 04:00pm

Dr. Abdul Ghafor, Consultant Infectious Diseases, Apollo Hospital, Chennai, Chairperson, "Change Declaration" on AMR. **Topic: Complex challenges need innovative solutions**

Dr. Anup R Wanier, Lead Infectious Diseases, Infection Center and Antimicrobial Stewardship, Aster DM Healthcare. **Topic: AMR Control - hospital based initiatives.**

Dr. Sanki Khetarpal, Director, AHPI. **Webinar Moderator**

AHPI-IBHAR-PFIZER

Webinar on AMR - an insightful session with engaging discussions and shared commitment to combating this critical, complex global threat by leveraging innovative technological solutions with collaborative and cross-disciplinary approach. There were about 100 AHPI members who attended the webinar.

Logos: AHPI, ibhar, Pfizer

WORLD ANTIMICROBIAL AWARENESS WEEK
 18-24 NOVEMBER

Hospital Based Initiatives for AMR Control

1. **Formulary management** - Avoid poor quality drugs / antimicrobials
2. **Diagnostic Stewardship** including RPT incorporated into clinical pathways and patient care - Reduce diagnostic uncertainty for prescribers
3. Invest in **Hospital Infection Control Program** - reduce nosocomial infections that increases antimicrobial consumption
4. **AMR with focus on dose/dosing and duration** to prevent AMR
5. **Hospital effluent treatment** to remove antibiotic residues and MDR

AHPI-IBHAR-PFIZER

AMTZ **AHPI** **AIMED**

BMC and HEALTEXPROF
 Scheme Awareness Webinar

BEMCS **HEALTEXPROF**

20th Oct 2023
 3:00 pm to 4:20 pm

Scan here to Register

AHPI, AIMED & AMTZ - Webinar conducted on BMC and HEALTEXPROF scheme awareness.

Collaborations



Participation At the Assocham Healthcare Summit and Awards 2023



At the Symbiosis University



At the Catholic Health Association of India [CVAI] Annual General Body Meeting



At the Delhi Medical Association Annual Summit 2023



At the G20 Ministerial Meeting organised by MOHFW & FICCI.



At the 4th ICC Summit 2023

Collaborations



At the Uttarakhand Global Investors Meet, with the Hon'ble Chief Minister of UK



At the Nursing Conclave 2023



At Economic Times Awards 2023



With Vayah Vikas and organization for senior citizens founding members [Dr.Devi Shetty, Dr.Gyani. Dr.Alex & others] at AHPI office



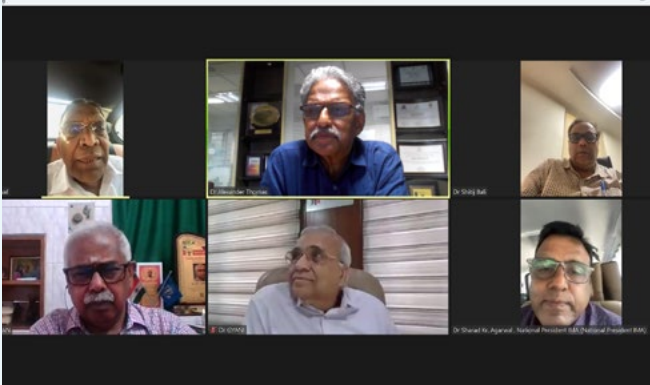
At the Wolters Kluwers Leaders meet at Kerala



AHPI & IMA met with Dr.Devi Shetty, Patron, AHPI at Bangalore



Meeting with Chairman ISRO Congratulating him for the successful Chandranan Mission and to explore possible collaborations with AHPI in healthcare.



AHPI & IMA organizing team meet for the Health summit 2023.



AHPI with Hon'ble Health Minister of Srilanka



AHPI at a conference on Emergency Services at West Bengal

Collaborations



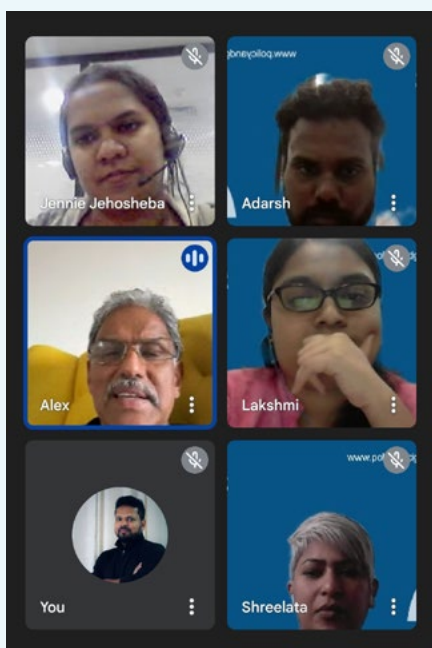
Meeting with Hon'ble Health Minister of Karnataka



AHPI at the ANBAI Teacher's Day Conclave 2023 at Amritsar



At the Press meet for the Launch of Patient Advisory Council [PAC's], Press Club, Bengaluru.



Discussions with the School of Policy & Governance for climate change in Health.



AHPI at the World Patient safety Day 2023 at M.S Ramaiah, Bengaluru



Wolters Kluwers meet at Chennai



AHPI at Global Pharma Logistics Summit 2023 at Hyderabad



Why training in Digital Health is important?

Join the Conversation!



Dr. Rajendra Pratap Gupta
Founder, Digital Health Academy



(Prof) Dr. Ram Kumar Kakani
Director, IIM, Raipur



Dr. Sanjeev Prashar
Course Director, IIM, Raipur



Dr. Sunil Khetarpal
Director, Association of Healthcare Providers (India)
(Student of Batch II)



Dr. Almas Fatma
Family Physician, Aloura Family Clinic
(Student of Batch II)

Meeting with IIM Raipur and Digital Health Academy on Digital Health



AHPI at Global Pharma Logistics Summit 2023 at Hyderabad

At the National Stroke Summit 2023



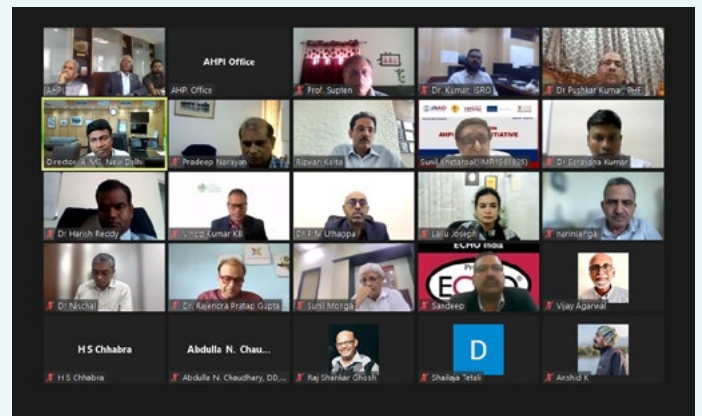
AHPI at the USAID NTEP (National TB Elimination Programme)



AHPI at the GAPIO meeting on enhancing private sector participation in strengthening Medical Education and overall capacity building in India



At the Global Sustainability Alliance, SDG summit by Economic Times



Virtual meeting with technology experts, AHPI & ISRO to explore collaborations in healthcare.



At the Digital Health Summit



At Hiriyara Habba, a festival for Senior Citizens by Vayah Vikas



AHPI at SymSIM, International Conference on Simulations in Healthcare at Symbiosis Centre for Health Skills, Pune.



OCTOBER 16, 2023 |



AHPI participated in a high-level “Corporate TB Summit” organized by Corporate TB Pledge in collaboration with CTBD, MoHFW and Telangana State at Hyderabad.



AHPI at the Fire India International Conference



AHPI at CAHOTECH 2023



AHPI explores collaboration with AIIMS, Dr.Srinivas, Director, AIIMS Delhi



AHPI at Medcall Delhi

Collaborations

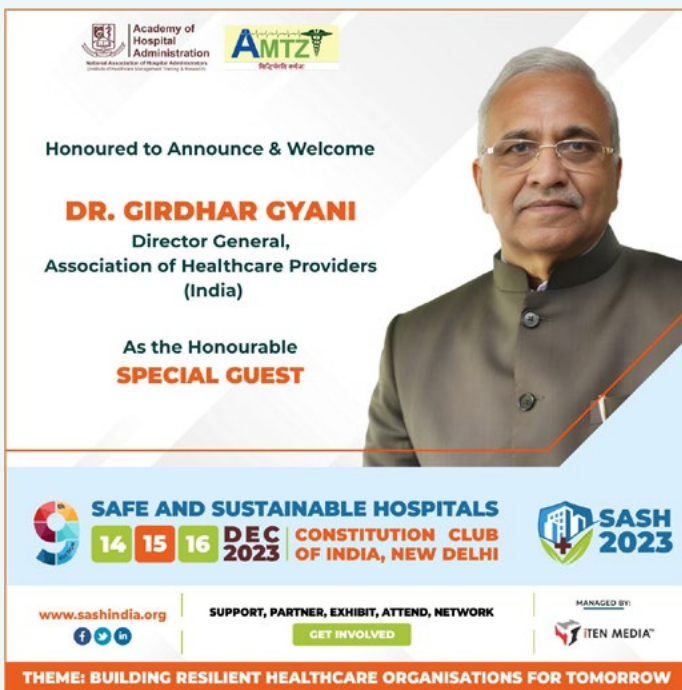
The prestigious Maj (Dr.) Achyut Nuggihalli Memorial Oration was given by Dr Alexander Thomas, the Founder and Patron Association of Healthcare Providers India. This session was co-chaired by DGMS (Air) Air Marshal Rajesh Vaidya and ACAS (Med) Air Vice Marshal MS Sridhar.



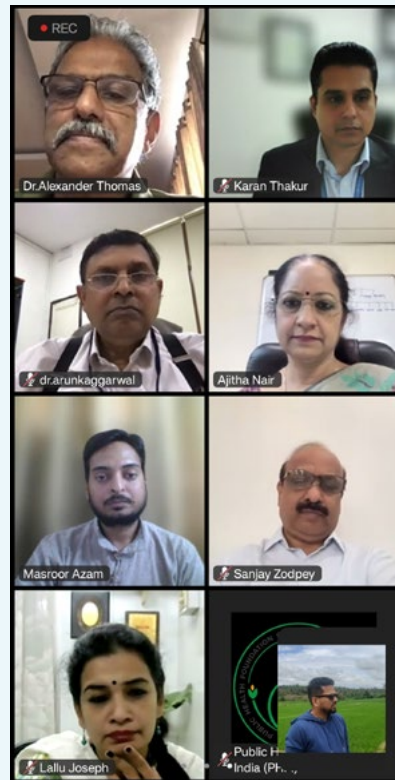
AHPI at Bangalore Medical Congress on Geriatrics at Commandant Hospital



AHPI - Inno Health 2023 on Clinical Validation of Emerging Technologies



AHPI at SASH 2023, Chief Guest Hon Minister for Road & Transport Nitin Gadkari



First virtual meeting of the Steering committee for the Health & Environment Leadership Platform [HELP] with PHFI



First meeting of AHPI with PHFI for the Health Environment Leadership Platform [HELP]. Dr.Sanjay, President, PHFI, Dr.Ghosh, Advisor, PHFI & Dr.Alex Thomas, Patron AHPI were present.



AHPI At ASLI Ageing Fest 2023 at Delhi



AHPI at EMCON 2023 organised by SEMI

TERN Group brought together leaders from the UK healthcare ecosystem, distinguished figures from the Indian healthcare domain including AHPI, and governmental dignitaries onto a common platform, discussions revolved around crafting strategies to address the imminent shortages in the healthcare workforce.



1st Meeting with ECHalliance (European Connected Health Alliance) - a key global connector for Digital Health, for collaboration between AHPI and ECHalliance to broaden AHPI's global network with 78 member countries of ECHalliance in various health ecosystems to drive sustainable change and disruption in the delivery of health and social care.

AHPI is now the member of ECHalliance



AHPI at Medicon 2023



Virtual meeting with experts identified by AHPI [from SEMI, CMC Vellore, IIPH] to know the status of the existing projects with ISRO, how to collaborate with ISRO for new projects were also discussed



At the Conference on lung cancer organised by ASSOCHAM

Research

A study on Interventions in Aging [Sarcopenia Assessment] a unique project for those above 60 years – through AHPI, Vayah Vikas, Institute For Stem Cell Science and Regenerative Medicine [Instem] & Bangalore Baptist Hospital [BBH]



Meeting to discuss the progress made thus far with experts



Weekly meeting with the committee

Articles & News

Narayana Health Makes Guinness World Record, Most ECGs in a single day!, Dr. Devi Shetty, Patron, AHPI & Chairman, NH along with their team.



Article in “Express Healthcare” regarding affordable healthcare in India by Dr. Gyani

<https://www.expresshealthcare.in/news/affordable-healthcare-in-india-financial-challenges-and-strategies/440215/>

Affordable healthcare in India: Financial challenges and strategies

By: Dr. Girdhar Gyani | On: Aug 21, 2023



Dr Girdhar Gyani, Director General, Association of Healthcare Providers (India) emphasises that a critical predicament confronting healthcare financing in India revolves around the absence of adequate financial safeguards for individuals seeking medical services

In recent years, healthcare costs in India have experienced a significant uptick, encompassing expenses related to medical procedures, treatments, equipment, and medications. This surge in costs can be attributed to a confluence of factors. Notably, the expanding population has spurred an unprecedented demand for healthcare services, thereby amplifying the overall healthcare expenditure. A contributing factor to this financial strain is the existing deficit in healthcare professionals and facilities across the nation. Despite its substantial population, India grapples with a scarcity of doctors, nurses, and medical institutions. Consequently, this scarcity culminates in overburdened facilities and protracted waiting periods for essential medical interventions, inevitably propelling the upward trajectory of healthcare expenses.

<https://theprint.in/india/insurance-companies-disregarding-guidelines-issued-by-regulator-ahpi/1796423/>

Insurance companies ‘disregarding’ guidelines issued by regulator: AHPI

PTI 09 October, 2023 09:00 pm IST

New Delhi, Oct 9 (PTI) The Association of Healthcare Providers India (AHPI) has accused insurance companies of “unfairly” rejecting claims by patients and blatantly disregarding guidelines laid down by the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India.

The AHPI, which is a collective of hospitals and other healthcare providers, contended that private insurance companies have formed an “alarming cartel”.

These companies are collectively discontinuing cashless facilities provided to hospitals, depriving patients of their right to choose treatment and healthcare providers in an arbitrary manner, the AHPI charged in a statement. The real victims in this situation, the AHPI said, are the insured patients. As claims are denied, individuals find themselves in urgent need of funds to cover mounting medical expenses, especially those seeking emergency care while private hospitals find themselves grappling with escalating costs and mounting losses due to the conduct of these insurance companies, the association contended.

Dr Girdhar Gyani, Director General of AHPI, said, “The AHPI’s efforts to rectify this situation have been met with resistance. Multiple complaints have been filed with IRDAI, but no tangible action has been taken yet. Several members from across the nation have also reported similar harassment by insurance companies, prompting us to take these concerns seriously.” “Consequently, we are now considering legal action and approaching the Competition Commission of India to draw attention to these concerning practices. One particularly distressing case that I came across involved the sudden de-empanelment of one of our member hospitals in Delhi by a well-known insurance company. Shockingly, the insurer insisted on substantial discounts from the previously agreed-upon rates, resulting in the de-empanelment without providing a satisfactory justification,” Dr Gyani stated.

The AHPI has demanded action against such private insurance companies. PTI PLB DV DV

AHPI on Insurance firms unfairly rejecting claims

Insurance firms unfairly rejecting claims: AHPI

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The insurance companies are “unfairly” rejecting claims by patients and blatantly disregarding guidelines laid down by the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India, thus leaving the insured patients at the receiving end, the Association of Healthcare Providers India (AHPI) has said.

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<https://medicaldialogues.in/health-news/nmc/nmc-calls-for-implementation-of-abdm-at-all-medical-colleges-patient-registration-through-abha-id-only-120699>

NMC Calls For Implementation Of ABDM At All Medical Colleges, Patient Registration Through ABHA ID Only

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New Delhi: Taking another step towards digitalisation of the healthcare system across India, the National Medical Commission (NMC) has expressed its plans to ensure that all the patients getting treated in medical colleges are registered through a unique ABHA ID.

Issuing a recent circular to the medical colleges across the country, the Apex Medical Commission has encouraged on the use of ABHA ID pointing out that this process through the Health Management Informatics System (HMIS) will provide reliable data on the clinical material available in each college to train undergraduate and postgraduate medical students.

'G-20 meet Delhi declaration may boost healthcare infra'

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With all three health priority issues being mentioned in the Delhi Declaration at the G-20 summit, the healthcare industry is hopeful that it will play a significant role in bringing the healthcare infrastructure to better than pre-pandemic levels.

India's health priorities included 'building resilient systems for health emergency prevention, preparedness, and response; strengthening cooperation in the pharmaceutical sector;

and creating a platform for sharing digital health innovations like CoWIN and e-Sanjeevani.'

Dr Girdhar Gyani, the director general of the Association of Healthcare Providers (AHP), said that combining research and development, rigorous infection prevention measures, and vigilant consumption surveillance will play a crucial role in preserving the efficacy of antibiotics for future generations.

"Equally noteworthy is the integration of WHO's 'one health approach,' which under-

scores the vital link between human, animal, and environmental health," said Dr Gyani.

The healthcare experts held that these priorities will build a resilient healthcare system and will create a platform for improving access to medical countermeasures and sharing digital goods between countries.

Apart from healthcare, the declaration will pave the way for a more sustainable future as the world grapples with the urgent need to combat climate change and secure sustainable energy sources.

<https://www.expresshealthcare.in/news/role-of-evidence-based-medicine-practices-for-delivering-high-quality-patient-outcomes/440885/>

Role of evidence based medicine practices for delivering high quality patient outcomes

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Dr Girdhar Gyani, Director General, Association of Healthcare Providers (AHP) India explains the role of Evidence-Based Practice (EBP) in enhancing patient safety

In today's rapidly changing healthcare landscape, patient safety holds paramount significance. The ecosystem within which healthcare organisations operate has grown increasingly intricate, driven by technological advancements, advanced treatment modalities, and specific patient needs. The emphasis has shifted from merely reacting to adverse events to the proactive strategies that preclude their occurrence altogether. Today, the pivotal role of healthcare establishments is not solely to treat patients, but to safeguard their well-being by fostering an environment rooted in prevention, vigilance, and constant improvement.



AHPI Delhi at the DMA March by medicos for violence against medical professionals

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Catalysing Healthcare Excellence: A Deep Dive into AHPI's Commitment to Quality | An Exclusive Interview with Dr Sunil K. Khetarpal (Director AHPI - Association of Healthcare Providers, India)

State Chapter Activities

AHPI State Chapters of Tamil Nadu, Kerala, North East and Chhattisgarh registered as Society



Chhattisgarh Chapter Registered as Society



Gujarat Chapter EC meeting and organizing committee meeting of AHPI global conclave 2024



Karnataka Chapter - At the Assocham Summit and healthcare Awards



AHPI Gujarat Chapter at National Stroke Conclave 2023



Certificate Course of Infection Control co hosted by AHPI Karnataka



Odisha Chapter - Along with ICC organized the 4th ICC Summit 2023



Webinar by Karnataka team on NMC regulations



Delhi NCT Chapter - Dr. Narin Sehgal at the DMA health Summit

State Chapter Activities



AHPI Delhi chapter at Medical1 Delhi



AHPI Kerala State chapter virtual office bearers meeting



AHPI Kerala at FICCI Conclave



Haryana Chapter EC Meeting



Madhya Pradesh Chapter - meeting with the Chief Minister of MP



AHPI Haryana Chapter at CII Summit



AHPI MP chapter with Minister of Foreign affairs



Maharashtra & Goa Chapter - at the Nursing Conclave 2023



AHPI NE1 met the Member Secretary Pollution Control Board, Assam



AHPI MH chapter at Sepsis Management Workshop



AHPI NE2 at NATHEALTH Regional Meeting



Executive committee meeting of the North East 1 [Assam, Meghalaya, Tripura & Sikkim] chapter



NE1 Chapter - meeting with Mr.Scott Bjerregaard, Dept of Home Affairs, Australia



West Bengal Chapter EC meeting

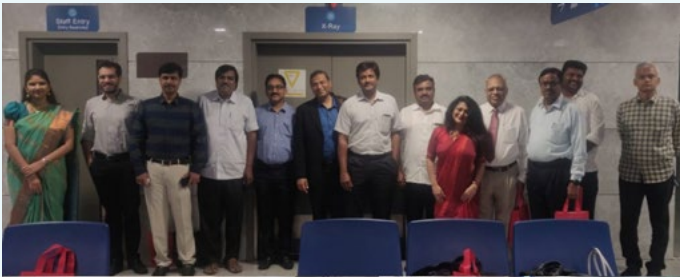
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World Patient Safety Day 2023 conclave by AHPI & CIH Bihar



World Patient safety Day 2023 conclave by North Zone Chapter



EC meeting – Tamil Nadu



AHPI Rajasthan Chapter at Assocham Summit