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Gandhi Alumni partner with American Heart Association to open International Training Center in Hyderabad, India

The Gandhi Medical College Alumni Association (GMCAA) has established a goal to decrease cardiac death and improve care to people suffering from heart disease by providing state of the art training to health professionals in the region.

Partnering with the American Heart Association (AHA), the GMCAA hopes to train thousands of health care professionals in state of the art medical science to have the knowledge and skills necessary to care for people who are dying of heart disease. Cardiovascular diseases have now become the leading cause of mortality in India. Countering this epidemic requires a concerted effort to reinforce health systems and to bring emphasis on prevention, early detection and treatment.

The work of Dr. Ravinder R. Surakanti, Dr. P. Maheshwar Reddy and Dr. Vemuri Murthy and countless others to bring state of the art cardiac life support training programs to address the cardiovascular needs of the region has been a persistent and untiring effort for more than a decade.

On December 14, 2016, the GMCAA and the AHA established the Gandhi Alumni American Heart Association International Training Center (ITC) at the Alumni Education Center on the Gandhi Medical College and Hospital Campus, Hyderabad, Telangana, India. This Training Center is the culmination of years of effort and hard work and acknowledges the international reputation of the Gandhi Medical School and its graduates as leaders to prevent and treat cardiovascular disease.

Dr. Karunakar Reddy, Vice-Chancellor KNR University of Health Sciences, inaugurated the training center in the Surakanti Kausalya Malla Reddy Memorial Hall.

This ITC establishes a training center which will help train health care professionals with the best evidence based knowledge and skills. The facility is beautiful and the training areas are equipped with state of the art simulation equipment. Dr. Joseph Florence and Dennis McCauley, AHA Faculty from the US, joined forces with local physicians, directed by Dr. Maheshwar P. Reddy, to provide the world's most up-to date Basic and Advanced

Cardiac Life Support Training Programs in a 10 day training marathon which certified over 150 providers in this training.

The ITC instructors include Dr. Vishakha Prasad, Dr. Nagarjuna Chakravarthy, Dr. Chandan Keshary, Dr. Mohamed Saif Hameed, Dr. Vijay Kumar Rao, Dr. Gopinath Deshi, Dr. K. Rajitha Reddy, Dr. K. Bhaskara Reddy, Dr. Dwaraknath Vemuri, Dr. Gollappa, Dr. Radhika Rani Killari and Dr. Prathima.

The inauguration of the ITC acknowledges the success of the programs and the experience and expertise of the Gandhi medical community. The Gandhi Alumni AHA International Training Center will set the bar for the highest quality training possible.



Dr. P. Maheshwar Reddy, Dennis McCauley, Dr. Joseph Florence, and Dr. Ravinder R. Surakanti. Gandhi Alumni Education Center. 20 December 2016.