Medical education, both for undergraduate and postgraduate students and for those training in their chosen specialty, is currently undergoing great change. Today achieving goals for healthy living and a quality health system articulated by the World Health Organization, a sustainable and sufficient health human resource base is critical. Though India has number of medical and dental colleges and number of professionals passing out every year, there are insufficient numbers of physicians, nurses, midwives, pharmacists, physical therapists, occupational therapists, audiologists, and others.

Becoming doctor in India is not easy even if you are brilliant and hard working. Limited government seats and high costs packages of private medical college seats are forcing medical students to head abroad. Cheap and affordable medical education by other countries like China, Russia, Ukraine, Philippines and Nepal have forced Indian students to pursue their education in these nations. Last year of around 4000 students entered the Indian Health System after clearing the screening test for foreign medical graduates (FMG’s). This problem is because difference in the cost of medical education in private colleges in India and in these countries is huge. In China, your entire medical education could be completed in Rs 15-25 lakhs, less than half what it would cost to even buy a seat in a private medical college, excluding the additional expense of tuition fees, food and boarding costs. China is amongst the cheapest destinations for a medical degree and has a large number of seats.

I think all the governing councils like Medical Council of India & Dental Council of India should give a thought over it and take the necessary actions. Number of government medical and dental colleges should be opened or there should be increase in number of seats in existing colleges, so that student can have affordable medical education and they would stop thinking about pursuing medical education in other countries.

I hope this problem should be highlighted and necessary actions should be taken. Along with different governing councils, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education, Various Medical and Dental organizations equally hold responsible for this situations. With the combined efforts of all, we work on this issue and combat to tackle the problem, so that the future of medical education in India remains stable and affordable where even a middle and lower class family students can dream of pursuing medical education in India.

About this Issue – Volume 1, Issue 2

Colin Powell rightly said that “A dream doesn't become reality through magic; it takes sweat, determination and hard work”

With all the hard work been put by my entire team of IJSS, I would like to present all our readers the Volume 1, Issue 2 which comprises of some of the best articles from different parts of globe. Looking at the response from all part of globe, this issue would comprise of articles from like India, Australia, Ghana, Nigeria, Brazil and Bahrain. This issue will be launched at India International Medical Conclave – 2013 which is to be held on September 8-9th 2013 in the presence of several healthcare leaders, Bollywood stars and delegates from different countries.

With the release of our first issue (Volume 1, Issue 1) our journal got indexed in 6 databases. The journal was highly appreciated in many parts of globe. This issue includes interview from the World Renowned Legendary Endodontist Dr. Stephen Cohen and a Forward Letter by Vice President of Dental Council of India-Dr. Mahesh Verma.

I would like to thanks you all & hope with constant support from all of you, our journal can contribute quality research articles to existing literature.

Thanking You,

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