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Indian-American Gastroenterologist Bimaljit Singh Sandhu Takes Key Role in Virginia Health Sector



Virginia Governor Glenn Youngkin has appointed Indian-American gastroenterologist Bimaljit Singh Sandhu to a crucial administrative role in the health sector.

In a significant development, Mr. Sandhu was officially sworn in as a Board member of the Virginia Commonwealth University Health System Authority on July 18th. This appointment places him in a pivotal position within the state's health education system.

As a Board member, Mr. Sandhu will play a vital role in overseeing the entire operations of the health system, including the medical school, nursing school, and pharmacy school. This responsibility entails providing strategic guidance and direction, with a focus on ensuring cutting-edge medical care and education for the people of Virginia.

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GAPIO and BAPIO Unite for Global Medical Advancement: XI Midyear Conference Leaves a Lasting Mark

In a remarkable collaboration, the 11th Midyear Conference of GAPIO, held on July 22nd and 23rd, 2023, partnered with BAPIO to create an impactful healthcare event. The conference, inaugurated by Mr. Vikram Doraiswamy, the High Commissioner of India to the UK, highlighted the urgent need for accessible healthcare.

Distinguished voices from the USA, India, the UK, Africa, and Europe joined, including Dr. Bipin Batra, Dr. Arun Gupta, Dr. N K Ganguly, Dr. Anupam Sibal, Dr. Shuchin Bajaj, and Dr. Girish Tyagi.

Under the theme "Global Trends in Healthcare Sustainability," sessions explored crucial topics like AI in Healthcare, Ageing, Women's Health, and bolstering primary care.

Keynote speakers Dr. Bipin Batra discussed AI in Medical Education, and Dr. Girish Tyagi shared insights on Risk Assessment in Healthcare. Dr. Anupam Sibal and Dr. Shuchin Bajaj underlined India's healthcare evolution and medical entrepreneurship.

Dr. Ramesh Mehta, CBE, President of BAPIO, acknowledged the significant role Indian doctors play globally. Dr. Parag Singhal introduced a model for skilling India's healthcare to sustain the NHS workforce.

The conference has set the stage for the 2024 Annual Conference in Lucknow. Mark your calendars for March 16th and 17th, 2024, as we continue this journey of knowledge exchange and global healthcare transformation. We look forward to your participation!



GAPIO and AVATAR Foundation Unveil Successful Webinar on Metabolic Interventions

A remarkable collaboration between the Global Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (GAPIO) and the Association of Vascular Access & Interventional Renal Physicians (AVATAR Foundation) recently resulted in a highly successful webinar titled "Metabolic Interventions." The webinar, held on July 6th, 2023, at 4:00 PM IST on a digital platform, marked a significant stride in advancing medical knowledge.

The event garnered immense interest, drawing participation from experts and enthusiasts alike. Notably, the international Society of Hemodialysis (iSHD), Indian Society of Hemodialysis (ISHD), and the Mumbai Nephrology Group (MNG) co-hosted the webinar, enriching the discussions with their collective expertise.

Distinguished speakers such as Dr. Ashok Kriplani, Dr. Dinesh Khullar, Dr. Serge Ferrari, Dr. Subhash Wangnoo, Dr. Sunil Prakash, Dr. Manish Malik, Dr. Vanita Arora, and Dr. Vinoi George David lent their insights to the event. Their expertise illuminated the contemporary landscape of metabolic interventions.

A key highlight of the webinar was its unique focus on presenting a comprehensive overview of transplant CKD care systems and their delivery mechanisms. The participants delved into hands-on training and constructive discussions, addressing the challenges encountered in healthcare delivery.

The event attracted a diverse audience, including Nephrologists, Interventional Renal Physicians, Vascular Surgeons, Urologists, Nurses, Dialysis & Cath Lab Technicians. These participants gained invaluable insights, honed skills, and explored new opportunities in the dynamic fields of Hemodialysis and Vascular Access.

Dr. (Gen) P P Varma, Head of Nephrology at Primus Super Speciality Hospital, New Delhi, skillfully moderated the session, ensuring engaging discussions and a fruitful exchange of ideas.

GAPIO, AVATAR Foundation, and their co-hosting partners expressed their gratitude to all participants and urged them to continue their active engagement in the medical community. The success of this webinar reinforces the power of collaboration and shared knowledge in advancing healthcare excellence.



GAPIO's Nephrology Session Engages Global Medical Community

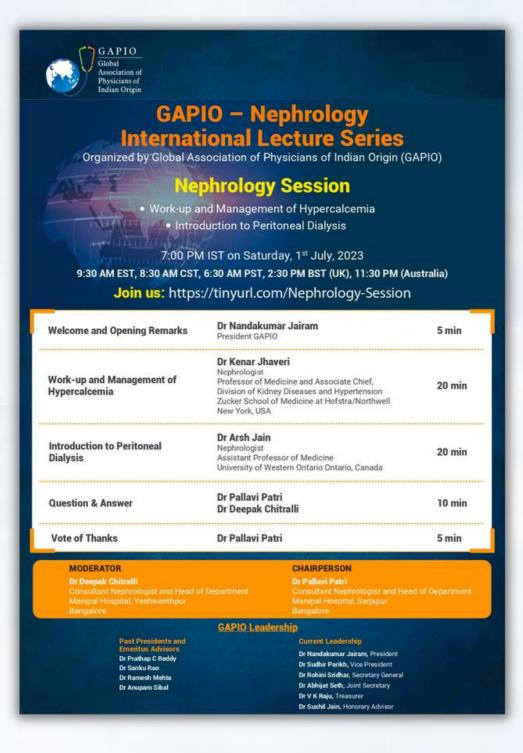
In a remarkable display of medical collaboration, the Global Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (GAPIO) organized an enlightening Nephrology Session. Medical enthusiasts worldwide were invited to this enriching event to delve into the latest insights in the field of nephrology.

The event, which took place on July 1st, 2023, at 7:00 PM IST, offered a unique opportunity for attendees to broaden their knowledge and engage with acclaimed experts.

Dr. Kenar Jhaveri discussed "Work-up and Management of Hypercalcemia" while Dr. Arsh Jain explored "Introduction to Peritoneal Dialysis."

Participants spanning various time zones engaged in insightful discussions and a lively Q&A segment.

The event's triumph highlighted GAPIO's dedication to fostering knowledge exchange and collaboration among medical professionals.



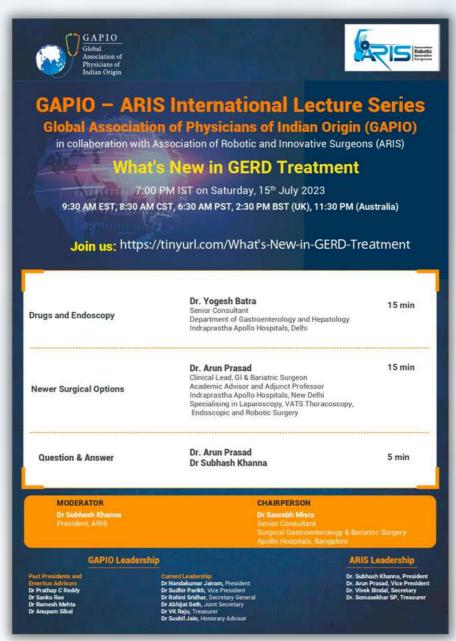
GAPIO and ARIS Host Successful Webinar on Latest GERD Treatment in Surgical Gastroenterology

In a collaborative effort, the Global Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (GAPIO) and the Association of Robotic & Interventional Surgeons (ARIS) orchestrated a highly successful webinar focused on Surgical Gastroenterology. The event, titled "What's New in GERD Treatment," took place on Saturday, July 15th, 2023, at 7:00 PM IST, offering attendees a comprehensive understanding of the latest advancements in GERD treatment.

The engaging session, hosted under the GAPIO-ARIS International Lecture Series, drew a diverse audience of medical professionals and enthusiasts eager to expand their knowledge. The event's central theme, "What's New in GERD Treatment," captivated the participants, shedding light on recent developments in the field of Surgical Gastroenterology. The session delved into crucial topics such as Drugs and Endoscopy, Newer Surgical Options, and featured a dedicated Question & Answer segment. Renowned experts shared their insights, contributing to an enriching learning experience for all participants.

Dr. Yogesh Batra, Senior Consultant at the Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Indraprastha Apollo Hospitals, Delhi, along with Dr. Arun Prasad, Clinical Lead and GI & Bariatric Surgeon at Indraprastha Apollo Hospitals, New Delhi, were among the esteemed speakers. Their expertise in Laparoscopy, VATS Thoracoscopy, Endoscopic, and Robotic Surgery added significant value to the discussions.

The successful webinar not only provided participants with expert insights but also fostered interactive engagement through the Q&A session.



GAPIO and IAP Collaborate for Successful Virtual Session on Paediatric Cardiology

The collaboration between the Global Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (GAPIO) and the Indian Academy of Pediatrics (IAP) bore fruit with a significant virtual session on Paediatric Cardiology. Set against the backdrop of enhancing knowledge in child cardiac care, this webinar attracted medical professionals and enthusiasts alike. The virtual session took place on Saturday, July 29th, 2023, at 7:00 PM IST, bringing together esteemed experts in the field.

Dr. Bhavik Champaneri and Dr. Mani Ram Krishna, prominent figures in Paediatric Cardiology, shared their insights on crucial topics including Pediatric Cardiac Emergencies and sudden death in children.

Attendees had the privilege to gain invaluable insights from these experts, enhancing their understanding and refining their approach to critical issues in Paediatric Cardiology. The session aimed to bridge gaps in knowledge and practice, ultimately contributing to improved care for the youngest patients.



GAPIO's "Wizards of Medicine" Delights in Dermatology Episode

GAPIO's collaboration with Medflix and Pfizer shone brightly in the recent episode of "Wizards of Medicine." The Dermatology-focused session, held on July 21st, featured Dr. Kamal Sharma as the quizmaster and Dr. Anupam Das as the guest expert. The event, accessible exclusively on the Medflix app, brought together medical enthusiasts for an engaging evening of learning and friendly competition.

Attendees tested their Dermatology knowledge, interacted with industry experts, and vied for exciting prizes, including ₹18,000 for the round and a shot at a grand ₹1,00,000 prize for the winners. The event underscored the importance of collaborative learning and networking in the medical community.



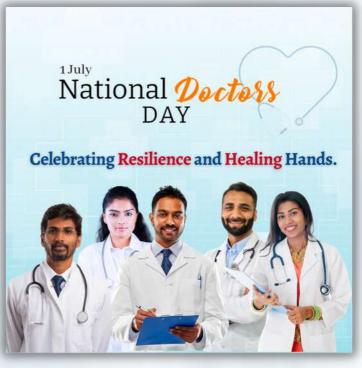
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GAPIO Joins Global Commemoration of National Doctors Day

In a heartfelt gesture, the Global Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (GAPIO) participated in the global celebration of National Doctors Day. This special day, dedicated to honouring the extraordinary dedication and unwavering commitment of medical professionals worldwide, was observed with reverence.

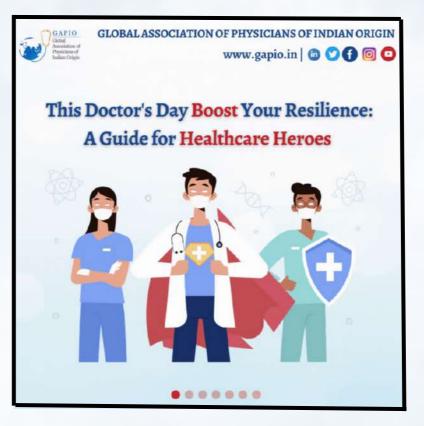
GAPIO took this opportunity to pay tribute to the remarkable doctors who continuously exhibit resilience and compassion in their noble service. These healthcare heroes, scattered across the world, selflessly contribute to patient care and well-being, showcasing their unwavering commitment to humanity.

Through this initiative, GAPIO expressed its profound gratitude to all doctors who, day after day, diligently serve humanity. Their relentless efforts in maintaining public health truly make them modern-day superheroes. This

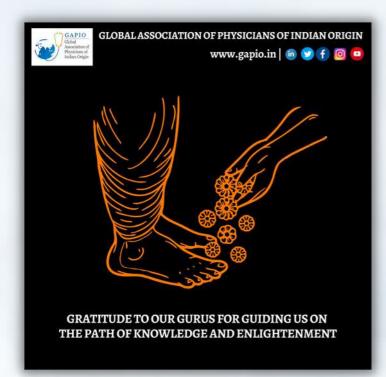


observance serves as a collective acknowledgment of their contributions and an expression of deep respect and appreciation.

GAPIO also shared valuable insights, emphasizing the importance of boosting resilience among healthcare heroes. The post underscored the significance of prioritizing physical and mental well-being, seeking support, and embracing moments of relaxation and hobbies. GAPIO's gesture served as a reminder that self-care is an essential element in maintaining the wellbeing of those who tirelessly care for others.



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GAPIO Extends Heartfelt Wishes on Gurupurnima

GAPIO joined in the celebration of Gurupurnima, a special occasion that holds immense significance in expressing gratitude towards our mentors. On this auspicious day,

GAPIO extended its heartfelt appreciation to all the Gurus who have illuminated lives with their profound knowledge and wisdom.

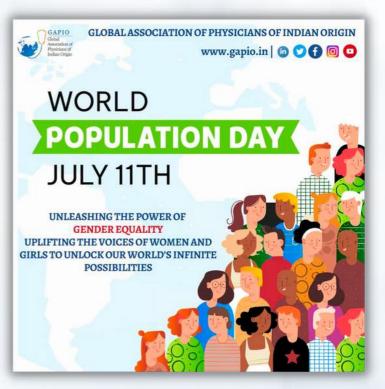
The wisdom and guidance provided by these Gurus have been invaluable on the journey of life. GAPIO took this opportunity to acknowledge their role in shaping lives and enriching the paths of many.

GAPIO Marks World Population Day with Call for Gender Equality

GAPIO actively participated in the global commemoration of World Population Day, aligning with the theme of advancing gender equality. This day serves as a reminder of the transformative power of gender equity and the need to amplify the voices of women and girls worldwide.

Through its message, GAPIO emphasized the importance of dismantling barriers, promoting equal opportunities, and creating a future of limitless possibilities. By celebrating this day, GAPIO stood alongside the global community in advocating for the empowerment of women and girls.

The shared commitment to gender equality reflects GAPIO's dedication to fostering a fairer and more inclusive world.



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GAPIO Joins Global Observance of International Self-Care Day



GAPIO enthusiastically celebrated International Self-Care Day 2023, aligning with the theme of "Resilience, adaptability, and thriving in adversity." This theme underscores the crucial role of self-care in managing stress, handling negative emotions, and nurturing both physical and mental well-being.

Recognizing the unique challenges faced by frontline healthcare warriors, GAPIO urged the community to prioritize their own well-being. The occasion provided an opportunity to empower healthcare professionals with self-care practices that foster resilience.

As the world navigates through healthcare challenges, GAPIO highlighted the importance of creating a resilient healthcare community that values the well-being of both professionals and patients.

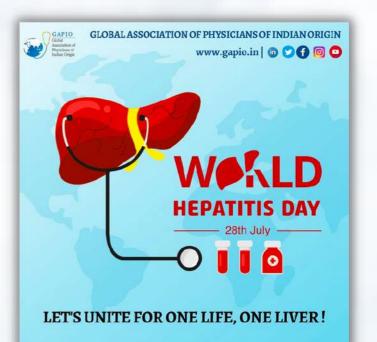
GAPIO Commemorates World Hepatitis Day 2023

GAPIO participated wholeheartedly in the global observance of World Hepatitis Day on July 28, 2023.

The theme for this year, "One Life, One Liver," echoed the essential role of the liver in maintaining overall health, underscoring the urgency to address the global impact of hepatitis.

With a resolute focus on prevention, testing, and treatment, GAPIO joined the collective effort to optimize liver health and work towards achieving the elimination goals by 2030.

By amplifying awareness and taking strategic actions, GAPIO contributed to the global endeavor of eradicating hepatitis and fostering a healthier future.



GAPIO Honors' List July 2023



Dr. Ashish Rajendra Gandhi, consultant Gastroenterologist at Gandhi Hospital and Care Ciigma Hospital is invited for presentation of his work "Successful Concomitant Esophageal PerOral Endoscopic Myotomy for Hyper-Contractile Esophagus and Gastric PerOral Endoscopic Myotomy for Refractory Gastroparesis with Significant Short-Term Efficacy" at ACG 2023 Conference at Vancouver, BC, Canada.

Dr. Kandamaran Krishnamurthy, Consultant Pediatric- Intensive Care Unit from Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Barbados has published the following paper:

Rajendra Santosh A, Krishnamurthy K, Ashok N.

Proposal of survey instrument for child oral and dental health policy in India. Karnataka Paediatr J 2023;38:47-51. <u>https://iap-kpj.org/proposal-of-survey-instrument-for-child-oral-and-dental-health-policy-in-india/</u>

Dr. Krishnan Ganapathy Hon GAPIO Emeritus Fellow, Distinguished Professor, The Tamil Nadu Dr MGR Medical University and Emeritus Professor National Academy of Medical Sciences has contributed the following between May – August 2023

Membership & Positions in National Societies

• Elected as Life Member IIT Alumni Center Bengaluru Aug 2023 – only non-alumni to be elected based on contributions and being a Visiting Faculty to IIT Kanpur

National and International talks

- Invited virtual lecture on "The Business of Remote Health Care- The Apollo Story" the International Master's Degree Management Students at the Columbia University, New York on 5th July 2023 <u>https://youtu.be/LQuK9qRUbXc</u>
- Invited virtual lecture on "Digital Health in 2030: A peep into the future" at the HIMSS@Hospitalar Forum 2023, São Paulo Expo – São Paulo/Brazi - May 23- 26, 2023
- Invited lectures on "Digital Health, AI in Healthcare, Technology in Healthcare, Setting up Incubators" for B. Tech, MBA, MBBS students and Faculty at The Andhra University, Chittoor Aug 7-10 2023
- Invited Panellist on "Private 5G Enterprise use cases & Real-World Examples" at the Matrix Global Summit 2023 held in Bengaluru on 8th June 2023 <u>https://www.matrixglobalsummit.in/speakers</u>

Professorships

- Designated as "Visiting Professor" at The Apollo University, Chittoor in August 2023
- Designated as "Guest Adjunct Professor" Columbia University, New York in August 2023

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Dr. N Ramakrishnan, Senior Consultant, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine, Chennai has published the following article:

 Vinya Golagana, Ramesh Venkataraman, Ashwin K Mani, Rajan ER, Ramakrishnan Nagarajan, Dedeepiya Vidyasagar "Epidemiology and Outcomes of HIN1 Pneumonia in ICU" in Indian Journal of Critical Care Medicine, July 2023.

Dr Naveen Thacker, Director - Deep Children Hospital Research & Centre, President, International Pediatric Association has co-authored the following article:

"<u>Fighting the hidden pandemic of antimicrobial resistance in paediatrics: recommendations from the International</u> <u>Pediatric Association</u>" which has been published in Volume 7, Issue 1 of BMJ Paediatrics Open. <u>http://dx.doi.org/10.1136/bmjpo-2023-002084</u>

Dr Padmadhar Deka, Consultant Pediatrics in Bongaigon, Assam has been elected as President of the organizing committee for the Assam State Pedicon to be held from 1517, December, 2023 in Bongaigaon, Assam.

Dr Raju Vaishya, Senior Consultant, Orthopedic Surgeon at New Delhi:

Achievements:

We have described a new clinical entity of Exercise-Induced Petechiae (EIC) of the forearm in the BMJ Case Reports. Dr Raju has published the following article:

Publications:

- Vaishya R, Misra A, Nassar M, Vaish A. Global trend of research and publications in endocrinology, diabetes, and metabolism: 1996–2021. Int J Diabetes Dev Ctries 2023; https://doi.org/10.1007/s13410-023-01221-4
- Vaishya R, Gopinathan P. Journal of Orthopaedic celebrates its first Journal Impact Factor. J Orthop 2023; 42; 45-46. Doi: 10.1016/j.jor.2023.07.001
- Vaishya R, Misra A. The journal 'Diabetes and Metabolic Syndrome: Clinical Research and Reviews' achieves a double-digit impact factor, marking its ascent. Diabetes Met Synd: Clinical Res and Reviews 2023 17: 102830; doi: 10.1016/j.dsx.2023.102830
- Dr Raju has done the following presentations:
 - Sarcopenia and Bone health. 222nd Apollo Clinical Knowledge Network (ACKN). 3rd July 2023.
 - Knee Arthritis. BHEL Bhopal, Public Lecture. 29th July 2023
 - Dr Raju has received 35 best paper publication awards of AHERF, July 2023.

Dr Saroj Kumar Pattnaik, Sr. Consultant, Critical Care Medicine at Bhubaneswar has completed a Fellowship in Pain Management (FIPM) from Aesculap Academy Daradia, Kolkata in July 2023.

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