

Manual of Health Sciences for Colleges in RAF

PART – A

7.1.1

Geo-Tagged photos for Gender sensitization:

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7.1.2

Worldwide, we are seeing an upward trend in women dentists. They also represent an expanding pool of possible applicants for dental colleges in India. Presently, the number of women in dentistry is increasing significantly. Dental student enrolment at Vishnu Dental College is now around 78% female students and faculty comprises of 55% women. The college transforms the India's "patriarchal norms."

The structure of the dental college provides unique opportunities for women to exercise a high degree of autonomy and flexibility and at the same time, enjoy the status awards associated with being a healthcare provider. Empowering women by appointing women faculty 55% thereby increasing their participation and improving their shares in resources, employment and income relative to men, which is necessary and sufficient for lasting changes in their economic and social position. By gender mainstreaming, the integration of a gender perspective into every stage of organisational, programme and policy processes – design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation – with a view to promoting equality between women and men.

Prevention of sexual harassment cell at the institute is constituted based on the guidelines formed by Supreme Court of India. There have been no incidents of sexual harassment in the institute since its inception. There are common rooms separately for both genders and even mess facilities are separated for women. There is ample security for all the hostels and care takers are

provided 24x 7. The whole campus is under CCTV surveillance 24x 7. We have a day care centre for young children in our campus.

There is a woman counsellor and clinical psychologist and a lady Gynaecologist on call and also a motor driving school for women students.

This implies the strengthening of political will at the local, national, regional and global levels. At every step in human history, there comes a time when we have to reassert our beliefs and test the very foundation on which the pillars of a society are raised. In fact, the roles of the sexes, which determine the course of a civilization, form an integral part of society. Gender roles in society have undergone a sea of change and continue to do so...

Geo-Tagged photos for Gender equity:

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7.1.8

The institute routinely engages in conducting a number of initiatives and activities focused on creating a more inclusive environment towards cultural, regional, linguistic, socio economic and other diversities. To create and maintain an inclusive and respectful workplace for all students and employees regardless of diversity belief or non-belief, at the start of each academic year, different orientation programs are organized. We establish policies that outline student and faculty conduct that clearly state discriminatory and harassing behavior are not encouraged in campus. Then we communicate these standards to students, clearly defining what actions are and are not appropriate. At the same time, we evaluate admissions and administrative guidelines with a focus on identifying and removing any unintentionally discriminatory policies. By making cultural awareness a priority from the top down, we are easily established an environment of inclusion and tolerance throughout the institute. All the students are also oriented on ethical aspects towards his patients, colleagues and to the community. All the religious and cultural festivals are celebrated equally and encourage total participation from the students and employees of different regions, religions and languages.

The institute also schedule special events or even set aside entire weeks to promote cultural diversity in the campus. The institute has Dean for student affairs to promote education

about cultural and religious diversity and provide guidelines to faculty about religious accommodations for students. As part of community services of the institute, students are encouraged to take active role in programs like miles for smiles, swasthya vidhya vahini, and national service scheme activities where they get an opportunity to see the community closely and thus gets a relation with people of different cultural diversities. This helps to develop his or her personality as a whole and develop among them a sense of social and civic responsibility. The institute has adopted Kovvada, Annavaram village where NSS volunteers of the institute remain in constant touch with the community and provide services that improve their living and working conditions. Students identify the needs and problems of the community and involve in solving them. They also help women or minority owned vendors to help them improve their livelihood.

7.1.10

World Oral Health Day

Vishnu dental college organizes various oral health awareness programs every year on March 20th on the occasion of world oral health day.

World Health Day

Vishnu dental college celebrates world health day by organizing various programs based on the theme given by WHO every year.

International Nurses Day

On the occasion of international nurse's day on may 12th, NSS unit and department of public health dentistry, organizes various programs every year to appreciate nurse's services for Vishnu dental hospital. Three outstanding nurse staff are felicitated by the guests for their services every year.

World No Tobacco Day

VDC observes world no tobacco day every year by educating patients reporting to the hospital on may 31st regarding ill effects of tobacco through various programs. Personalized tobacco cessation counselling is given to the tobacco users.

World Yoga Day

On the occasion of world yoga day on June 21st, the benefit of yoga to our human body and its growing importance in contemporary life situations is explained.

World Oral Hygiene Day

On the occasion of oral hygiene day on August 1st Vishnu dental college organizes various awareness programs in the schools surrounding the college regarding oral hygiene

World Diabetes Day

Health talks on various aspects of diabetes are given by the students of Vishnu dental college on November 14th every year

World AIDS Day

A sensitization program for III and IV BDS students on treating Retro positive patients and Universal precautions is organized every year on December 1st. Various programs are conducted by the students to bring awareness among public.

National Honorable Days

Every year 15th August – Independence Day & 26th January – Republic Day are celebrated in Vishnu Dental College with flag hosting highlighting the spirit of patriotism among new generation by creating the feeling of responsibility towards the family, society and country.

Festivals

Vishnu Dental College rejoices all the festivals in the full swing. Our students irrespective of their religion and region celebrate all the festivals and perform all the rituals with great enthusiasm and zeal. Thus, we enjoy all the cultures and all the festivals are celebrated here in the campus itself with due respect.

Various special days like World food day, National Unity day, World Environment Day, all the specific department days, International Women's day, Children's day etc., are celebrated in our college every year. Special events and awareness programs are organized on these days.

7.3.1

Oral health services in India are affected by problems of availability, accessibility, affordability, acceptability and accommodation of services. Majority of the Dentists tend to practice in urban and sub-urban areas ignoring poor rural population with greater treatment needs. These people need to travel far distances to get their dental needs addressed. Keeping these in mind Vishnu dental college has established up till now twenty satellite dental clinics in the districts of west Godavari east Godavari and Krishna. These clinics also help provide exposure to rural dental practice for the students, generate employment opportunities for the alumni and job opportunity to the rural unemployed youth as supporting staff. Each satellite clinic is fully equipped and caters to the dental needs of over 50000 people.

Every satellite clinic is equipped with 2 dental chairs, a qualified dental surgeon, a dental nurse and an attender. Basic primary and emergency dental care will be provided at these centers on all working days. On-site specialized dental care will be provided by a visiting specialist on a weekly basis. Patients requiring comprehensive multi-disciplinary care are referred to our tertiary care center where all provisions to render such care exist.

In order to create oral health awareness among the public, we interact and work in collaboration with village level health workers like Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHAs), Anganwadi workers and Multi-purpose health workers (MPHWs). These health care workers are trained to identify common oral diseases in a given population and also to inform about the services provided at our centers. Both undergraduate and post graduate students are deployed to work in association with these village level workers to appraise the rural inhabitants regarding oral diseases and their prevention. Periodic meetings are held at all levels to resolve any issues encountered.

Taking the advantage of digital technology, all the satellite clinics are equipped with internet, digital radiography and digital photography facilities. This ensures better connectivity of these centers with the tertiary care center and allows exchange of opinions with specialists. To update the knowledge of working dentists and enhance their skills, continuing dental education

programs are conducted regularly. As a unique initiative, we conduct '**Door To Door Oral Health Screening Program i.e Miles For Smiles**', our community radio service, Radio Vishnu (90.4 FM) to deliver health care messages to the rural masses through panel discussions, ,live interactive sessions, phone in programs and health talks. All these initiatives enhance provision of high quality dental health care and help to improve the oral health related quality of life of rural population we serve.

This massive community reach program has become extremely popular and the number of patients utilizing the services in these clinics is steadily going up.

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Satellite Clinics:

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