



CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME – III

for

Community and Hospital Pharmacists

“Creating Awareness and Emphasizing Pharmacist Role in TB Control-DOTS Therapy”

PSG College of Pharmacy, Department of Pharmacy Practice conducted a first time in Coimbatore, Tamilnadu for community and hospital pharmacists on DOTS-Tuberculosis Therapy in association with Revised National TB Control Programme (RNTCP), Coimbatore and Indian Pharmaceutical Association-Community Pharmacy Division (IPA-CPD), Mumbai on 25th March 2015. It was indented to encourage the public private partnership on DOTS –TB Management.

Dr. M. Ramanathan, Principal, PSG College of Pharmacy inaugurated the function with welcome note. Total 45 community and hospital pharmacists participated in the programme. The participants were from Tulasi Pharmacy, Pasumai Pharmacy, Srinivasa Medicals, Idhayam Pharmacy, Health care Pharmacy, Shanthi Social Service, PSG General Pharmacy, Gem Hospitals and NG Hospitals Coimbatore. The program focused on creating awareness and emphasizing the role of community and hospital pharmacist in DOTS-TB therapy. During the session, Dr. Anupama Murthy, HOD, Respiratory Medicine, PSG Hospitals delivered a lecture on the clinical issues in tuberculosis management.

Dr. V. Subramanya Raja, WHO-Medical Consultant, Tamilnadu and Dr. M. Sakthivel, Deputy Director –Medical Services-TB, Coimbatore addressed on public private partnership to identify and monitor the TB patient in the community. The participants were educated on the use of Referral Form for TB Suspects, Notification format and Treatment Record Cards. They were introduced to the senior treatment supervisors of Coimbatore region and were provided with their contact numbers. Dr. Manjiri Gharat, IPA-CPD, Mumbai spoke on the significant role of pharmacist in controlling drug resistant TB, preventing treatment failure and ensuring the optimal drug therapy for TB patients. She trained the pharmacist to serve as a DOTS provider with IPA Training module for Tuberculosis. The participants were provided with IPA training



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module booklet, forms related to DOTS program and procedure to adopt. It is a first such initiative taken in this part of the country. The pharmacists were positive in the program.

Events of Programme



Inauguration



Dr. M. Ramanathan , Principal, PSGCP



Interaction with Pharmacist



Dr. V. Subramanya Raja, WHO- Consultant



Dr. M. Sakthivel, Deputy Director –Medical Services-TB



Dr. Manjiri Gharat , IPA-CPD



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PSGCP Team with Chief Guest



Press Meet



Group Photo with Participants

Dr. V. Sankar and faculties of Department of Pharmacy Practice extended their support in conducting the programme successfully. Dr.T.Tamilselvan and Dr.Akash Kurain were organized the programme. Participants were conferred with training certificate. The theme of World Tuberculosis Day-2015 “Reach, Treat, Cure Everyone” was instilled in to the minds of pharmacists. The session ended with press meet followed by lunch.