

REPORT ON
Primary Trauma Care Course,
Chandka Medical College Hospital, Larkana, Sind, Pakistan
12th and 13th July, 2008.

Executive summary

- Two day Primary Trauma care course was arranged at Chandka Medical College hospital Larkana for the Doctors of the teaching and district hospital.
- This course followed upon an invitation by Prof Sikander Sheikh, Principal Chandka Medical College Larkana and initiatives of Prof Rashid Jooma National coordinator PTC Pakistan and Director General MOH Pakistan to conduct trauma training for the Doctors of the Chandka and district hospitals
- A team of 4 PTC (Sindh) instructors from Karachi travelled to Larkana to conduct a Primary Trauma Care 2 day provider's course.
- Prof Rashid Jooma came from Islamabad and joined the PTC team at Inauguration ceremony and trauma awareness session..
- The local coordinator of the course was Dr Zameer Soomro Orthopaedic Surgeon CMC Larkana who selected 32 participants, including medical officers, Surgeons and Anaesthetists to attend the course.
- The course Inauguration and Trauma awareness Session was visited by the Secretary Health Sind with Director General Health Sind, Additional Secretary health and Executive district officers of the Sindh Health department and they were briefed on PTC and the importance of trauma management within the health system.

Background:

This Course in Larkana was another in the **Primary Trauma Care In The Districts** series for the benefit of physicians of the District and Thaluka Hospitals in the Province undertaken with the cooperation and guidance of the Prof Rashid Jooma DG Health MOH and Sindh Health Department.

For this course cooperation was sought from PTC colleagues of Dow University of Health and Medical Sciences Karachi and Jinnah Post graduate medical centre Karachi.

Dr. Shariq Ali was entrusted with the responsibility of Course Director and he coordinated between the instructors to devise the program.

Prof sikander Shaikh provided the local support and arranged for the course to be conducted in the Chandka Medical College Larkana. He arranged for the participants drawn from teaching faculty, Civil Hospital Larkana the Taluka Hospitals of Shadakot, Rathodero and adjoining areas.

Course Faculty

The course faculty included

- Prof. Rashid Jooma, Professor of Neurosurgery & DG Health MOH Islamabad
- Dr. Saeed Minhas, Orthopaedics Surgeon and Chairman PTC Sind, Jinnah Postgraduate Medical Centre, Karachi.
- Dr. Shariq Ali, Burns & Plastic Surgeon, Dow University of Health Sciences, Karachi. **Course Director.**
- Dr. Shahid Shamim, General Surgeon Surgery, Dow University of Health Sciences, Karachi.
- Dr Shams Nadeem Alam ,Dow University of Health Sciences, Karachi



Faculty Members Demonstrating Cervical Spine Control in a Scenario.

Participants of Course with Faculty

Contents and venue of the Foundation Primary Trauma Care Course:

The subjects which were presented during the founding PTC course are outlined in the attached program. Course content was similar to what is advised in the PTC manual. The instructors used different styles of lecturing and different audiovisual aids, like PowerPoint, whiteboard and group discussion.

The venue at the Chandka Medical College was a comfortable meeting room with a multimedia projector and sound system provided. The meeting room was large enough to accommodate all participants. Besides, we could make use of adjacent hall on the same floor for scenarios and workshops.

Inauguration Ceremony and Trauma awareness Session

Inauguration and trauma awareness session was held in main auditorium of CMC which was well attended by College Faculty, nurses, medical students, district administration and police officials. Chief guests of these sessions were Secretary Health Sind and DG Health MOH, DG health Sind and all the senior health officials of Sind. Chief guests and Instructors were decorated with local traditional gifts and shields. Inaugural speeches were

made by Principal CMC, Secretary Health and DG health MOH .Trauma awareness presentation and principals of PTC were presented by Dr Saeed Minhas. Audience were briefed on the PTC program and course structure and the importance of enhancing Trauma Management capacity in the District Health System. The PTC Sindh Group promised all technical assistance in this regard. Dr Zameer Soomro of CMC presented the local trauma scenarios and draining area to CMC Larkana which is upper Sind and Baluchistan and Lower Punjab. After Speeches PTC Instructors team presented a Demo Scenario of Life saving skills as per PTC principles in a trauma victim in front of all audience. Inauguration session and demo scenario was well covered by print and TV media and it was on air at all leading TV channels.



During and after the course

The participants showed great enthusiasm and were very eager in the scenarios and at the skill stations. At the end of the course, Prof Sikander Shaikh Principal CMC and Dr Srichand Additional Secretary Health Sind distributed the certificates and interested participants were invited to attend the 3rd Instructor Day to be held in Karachi in the near future.

Evaluation of the success and relevance of the visit:

Remarks made by the participants on the evaluation forms and during the evaluation session were encouraging. In general the course was much appreciated, however, as with most PTC courses, the participants would value more time for skills stations and practicing scenarios.



Multiple Choice Questions:

At the end of the PTC course the participants were asked to fill in the MCQ's, which appear in the instructor's manual. Self-scoring was advised for these motivational MCQs. Participants' attempting MCQ's



Teaching materials provided:

Each participant of the provider Course was presented with a copy of PTC manual , registration form, MCQ's and evaluation form.

Social events

PTC instructor's team was warmly welcomed at Mohenjo-Daro airport and guided tour and reception was arranged at historical ruins and city of Mohenjo-Daro. Sumptuous dinner was arranged by Principal CMC for college faculty and PTC instructors.



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I am thankful to Prof Rashid Jooma for his support and arranging for air fare and logistics, secretary Health Sind for recognizing PTC Sind efforts and Prof Sikander Sheikh, Dr Zameer Soomro for wonderful arrangements at CMC, warm hospitality and our comfortable stay at Larkana.

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Chairman PTC Sind