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Dr. Amit Choraria
Regional Cancer Center, Raipur, India
Fellowship visit to Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust, UK
Fellowship title: Observership in Oncoplastic Breast Surgery

“Through my fellowship visit, I have acquired the technical skills of oncoplastic surgery. I have learnt management of difficult cases. These skills are being added to the management of my breast cancer patients day to day who need either breast conservation or reconstruction of whole breast. These oncoplastic procedures which were being done in only few centres in India are now also done here at my institute, which was made possible only by UICC fellowship.”
Dr. Pesona Grace Lucksom: speaker at the Meet’n Café on Thursday at 10:30
Assistant Professor at Sikkim Manipal Institute of Medical Sciences, India
Fellowship visit to Northern Gynaecological Oncology Centre, Gateshead, UK
Fellowship Title: Observership in Gynaecology oncology

“If UICC wouldn’t have helped I would not have been able to see the world outside my work place and I would not have had the courage to set up oncology clinic in Sikkim. The extra knowledge I gained at Gateshead helps me tackle many of my day to day hurdles”
Dr. Mukesh Shanthilial
Mysore medical college and research institute, India
Fellowship visit to Cleveland Clinic Lerner Research Institute, USA
Fellowship title: Development of multidisciplinary tumor boards for cancer patient management

“After this fellowship together with my colleagues I initiated tumor board meetings consisting of radiation, medical, surgical oncologist as well as a pathologist and a radiologist. We have developed care pathways for breast, head and neck and cervical cancer based on local availability of resources. Tumor board meetings are held once in a week to discuss difficult cases.”
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Dr. Chiranthika Vithana
Ministry of Health Bureau, Sri Lanka
Fellowship visit to IARC, Lyon, France
Fellowship title: Study on descriptive epidemiology of the burden of breast cancer in Sri Lanka

“This new knowledge and skills enabled me to assess the country situation on cancer more analytically and strengthen cancer research which is very relevant to my country. Experience I have gained during this period, I have utilized in programme planning on cancer prevention, research, training of trainers at national level, undergraduate and postgraduate teachings in my home country.”
Mr. Kishore K. Pradhananga
BP Koirala Memorial National Cancer Hospital, Nepal
Fellowship visit to the Anti-Cancer Foundation of South Australia
Fellowship title: Cervical cancer screening programme

“My overseas knowledge and skills gained from these training programs has helped me to formulate plans and policies for cancer prevention, control and related research works in Nepal. I strongly feel that UICC program has definitely broadened the horizon of my knowledge and skills.

The knowledge I gained on the fellowship and workshop has allowed me to conduct a school-based cancer education program and orientation program for primary health workers in addition to a hospital-based cancer education program.”
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Prof. Navneet Kaur
University College of Medical Sciences, India
Fellowship visit to European Institute of Oncology, Milan, Italy
Fellowship title: New techniques in breast reconstructive surgery

“I spent 3 months at EIO Milan in the Senology Dept., and trained in oncoplastic and reconstructive surgical techniques of the breast. Thanks to an opportunity given by UICC, I could play a key role in bringing about a paradigm change in the surgical management of breast cancer in India. With a vision to improve breast cancer care in India, I became a founder member of “Association of breast surgeons” of India, which was established in 2011.”
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Mugi Wahidin *SKM, M.Epid*

National Institute of Health Research and Development, Ministry of Health, Republic of Indonesia

Fellowship visit to UICC workshop in Istanbul, Turkey, and World Cancer Congress in Montreal, Canada

“I used knowledge and informations gained to contribute in developing national cancer control program and related guidelines, advertisement on cancer, promotion materials of cervical and breast cancer screening, national cancer registration, and trainings”
Dr. Warren Bacorro
University of Santo Tomas Hospital - Benavides Cancer Institute, Philippines
Fellowship visit to University of California in Los Angeles, USA
Fellowship Title: Observership for Applications of Brachytherapy Across Systems

“I returned to Manila and have begun to introduce advanced brachytherapy techniques (image-guided and interstitial techniques) in gynaecology and head-and-neck cancers, to train residents in the technique, and to initiate collaboration with government centres towards extending the application of brachytherapy to paediatric and adult sarcomas.”
Ms. Supriya Mondal  
Tata Medical Center, India  
Fellowship visit to University of Birmingham, UK  
Fellowship title: Quality of life and survivorship after ovarian cancer surgery

“The concept of cancer specialist nursing is new in Eastern India. Upon continuous encouragement and guidance from my host supervisor, I obtained training from the fraternity in the UK where it is already well established. Birmingham Women’s hospital provided me with training in quality of life assessment and related research. After returning in my home country, I motivated and mentored 4 other nurses to become research/specialist nurses in gynaecological Oncology. Now this role is well established in the gynae-oncology department.”
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Dr. Chern Ein Oon
Universiti Sains Malaysia, Malaysia
Fellowship visit to Nanyang Technological University, Singapore
Fellowship title: A novel sirtuin inhibitor: Unravelling its potential as an anti-angiogenic agent in cancer

“In life, little opportunities often pave the way for bigger achievements. In the midst of unfavourable economy that affects research funding and dampens research initiatives, UICC has provided me the stepping stone to move my research forward especially as a young scientist.”
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Dr. Lalit Lad
RST Regional Cancer Hospital and Research Center Nagpur, India
Fellowship visit to Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, USA
Endoscopic Ultrasound Guided Fine Needle Aspiration Cytology in the diagnosis of Cancer

“This fellowship training was under supervision and guidance of one of the pioneers in fine needle aspiration cytology. He shared his experience, diagnostic dilemmas, cytomorphology of cells and rare cases with me. It was fantastic experience with positive impact on improvement of my skills & knowledge that has greatly benefited patients attending our institute.”
Ms. Ntuthu Somdyala

South African Medical Research Council, South Africa

Fellowship visit to IARC, Lyon, France

Training in cancer registration and applications in epidemiology

“I had the opportunity of receiving a UICC Fellowship and the results thereof have been incredible. I have trained in and acquired skills as a Scientist, Project Manager, Epidemiologist, Consultant, Public Health Professional, Facilitator and Mentor.”
Thank you!

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