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How you can help...

SIUT provides all its services free of cost. We believe that no one should be deprived of access to health and proper medical care, which is a basic human right, based on his or her ability to pay. All are equal and all are entitled to the best care. Even though we provide our services free of charge, it is costing SIUT more and more every year to continue to provide these services as our patient load increases daily. You can help us by making a donation to the "SIUT TRUST" in the following way:

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- Help us to equip all the Nationwide Centres of SIUT

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# RECORD OF SERVICES AT SIUT FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 2012

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**Workshop on Hepatopancreatic Biliary (HPB) Surgery**

"To commemorate College of Physician & Surgeons Pakistan (CPSP)'s Golden Jubilee celebrations, a series of preconference workshops were organized in major cities of Pakistan. The workshop on HPB surgery was organized by the Gastro Intestinal & Hepato Pancreatic Biliary Surgery department, SIUT. The workshop was inaugurated by the President of CPSP, Mr. Zafarullah Choudhary who elucidated on the role of CPSP in postgraduate education in Pakistan since its inception in 1962. He lauded the services of SIUT in not only providing quality care to patients but also in imparting much needed post-graduate education and training.

The course objectives included learning the diagnostic radiology of space occupying lesions of the liver and principles of liver resection (with live demonstration of a case). The session also demonstrated the maneuvers of performing a safer laparoscopic cholecystectomy, and highlighted the pitfalls leading to biliary injuries. Endoscopic management of these injuries was highlighted by Dr Nasir Luck (SIUT) and surgical management by Dr Arsalan Khan (SIUT). In relation to the pancreas, management of pancreatic abscesses and other collections in relation to severe pancreatitis was also discussed.

The conference was well attended with more than 70 participants from outside SIUT including Quetta. The panel of experts included Prof. Muntaz Mehr, Prof. Irfan Daudi, Dr Rizwan Khan, Dr Hasan Zafar and Dr Abid Jamal. The workshop facilitator was Prof. Dr Abdaal Wasim (SIUT).

**SIUT - Hajiani Chatul Bai Dialysis Centre at Garden East, Karachi**

The newly established Garden East Centre is catering to the needs of those patients who need dialysis and reside in nearby areas.

SIUT has already established six dialysis units in various parts of Karachi City and its suburbs with an aim to extend the specialized medical treatment facilities to the people in their close vicinity and save them from the ordeal and hassle of long distance travelling and other logistical issues.

The new centre has been established in a bungalow which has been donated to SIUT by Mr. Dost Muhammad of Matiari, as a gesture of philanthropy and in recognition to the services which the Institute is rendering in the field of specialized medical treatment to a vast population free of cost.

According to an estimate, some 18,000 people die every year in the country as an end case of renal failure and lack of dialysis facility.

The newly established centre was jointly inaugurated by Director SIUT Dr. Adib Rizvi and Mr. Dost Muhammad and also present on the occasion were notables of the area and faculty members of SIUT.
CBEC organized a three day seminar on Gender and Ethics. This was connected to the Fourth Module of the Masters in Bioethics and the Postgraduate Diploma in Biomedical ethics programs conducted by CBEC.

The seminar opened with an Academic Lecture by renowned anthropologist Dr Ziba Mir-Hosseini on "Men the Guardians of Women: The Unmaking of Legal Fiction". This was followed by a talk by Dr Mohsin Naqvi on "Abrahamic Religions and Gender Relationships".

These two sessions were followed by a 2 day workshop for registered participants and CBEC students on "Gender, Islam and Rights perspectives". This was conducted by Dr Mir-Hoseini and Dr Khalid Masud, a renowned Islamic scholar.

The workshop was followed by a session by lawyer Sharmeen Khan on "Protecting Women: Current Pakistani Laws". The seminar ended with a session on Blasphemy led by Dr Mohsin Naqvi and guest speaker Bishop Ashraf.

The seminar on this topic was the second one organized by CBEC. Another similar event with the same faculty had been held in March 2001 also.

### SIUT’s Transplant Patients bag Medals in Middle East Transplant Games

SIUT participated in the Middle East Transplant Games at Abu Dhabi in December 2012, held concurrently with the 13th Congress of Middle East Society of Organ Transplantation, aimed to enhance transplantation activities in the region.

Athletes taking part in the event were those who had either received or donated life saving organs. SIUT’s sponsored contingent also included similar patients who had gone through transplant procedures at SIUT and now leading a normal and healthy life. SIUT’s vision of participation was that “staging sports and social events for transplant patients is in fact a demonstration of benefits of organ donation which also proves that both recipients and donors can lead a normal and healthy life”. SIUT has been regularly sending its transplanted patients to various international events in the past as well.

SIUT’s athletes achieved a remarkable success by bagging six medals including one gold, three silver and two bronze. Over hundred and fifty transplant athletes representing eleven Middle Eastern regions took part in the four day event. SIUT transplant athletes who claimed medals in the competition included Mr. Sufyan Arshad who outclassed his opponents in 100 meters swimming competition and secured the gold by coming first. In another category of swimming Salman Akhtar captured second position in breast stroke and walked away with a silver. In field and tracks event, Mr. Arshad Minhas and Salman Akhtar jointly bagged silver medals in two kilometer race. Mr. Hasan Zaman another transplanted patient claimed bronze in 100 meters. Mr. Rashid Kamal who took part in 200 meters won the bronze.

A team of SIUT doctors was invited by the organizers along with a ten member contingent for participation in the games. The contingent also included Mr. Mohammad Talib a former national athlete and Ms. Fareeda Mazhar, Social Welfare Officer of SIUT who looks after the patients in their pre & post transplantation/rehabilitation period.
CERTIFICATE AWARDING CEREMONIES FOR 29th, 30th & 31st SIUT Student VOLUNTEER PROGRAM BATCHES

The Resource Generation and Outreach Department (RGO) of SIUT organized the certificate awarding ceremonies for the 29th, 30th & 31st batches of student volunteer program at different periods of time respectively. Prof. Adibul Hasan Rizvi congratulated the successful volunteer students and reiterated that proper training of the volunteers is integral for the bright future of Pakistan.

Prof Adib Rizvi said that during the training, these students were taught the basic core principles of community service and at this phase of life if they have learned to understand the problems, plight and ailments of others then definitely they will make the dream of a prosperous Pakistan come true. He said that he was confident that this generation will accomplish what they have not been able to do and was proud of these students. He appealed to the society in general to encourage the philanthropic work done by these children.

Dr. Adib Rizvi highlighted the importance and the impact generated by the program in terms of creating healthy society which is conducive and imperative for the success and progress of a nation. In the program he said the volunteers were detailed about various medical departments by the respective doctors and were also imparted patient care & first aid training. Total numbers of 316 students from various schools were trained in these 3 batches and to date total 3546 students have been trained so far under this student volunteer program.

Ms Kishwer Zehra Chairperson RGO said that these children are the leaders of the future from whom several Abdul Sattar Edhis and numerous Adib Rizvis shall rise. She added that human behavior is a true reflection of a society’s virtues and vices. She mentioned that some students have devoted more than 2000 hours of community volunteer services.

The ceremonies were attended by a large number of parents, teachers and students. Representatives of the student volunteers speaking on this occasion said that this program has enlightened them about the plights and suffering of the sick and needy people of the society and now they have learned how they can be of help to others and making a positive change in their lives.

SIUT Pays Rich Tributes to Ardeshir Cowasjee

which was well attended by the faculty and staff of SIUT who all paid rich and glowing tributes to him for his outstanding philanthropic and humanitarian services.

Dr. Adib Rizvi said that Ardeshir Cowasjee was an outstanding human being and a superbly patriotic Pakistani who was undoubtedly the conscience of the cosmopolitan Karachi. His fearless writings and raising voice on public issues shall always be remembered. Mr. Cowasjee was a true friend and staunch supporter of SIUT who was in contact with the institution for over three decades and his association enriched SIUT with donation of 3 lithotripters housed in the Cowasjee Lithotripsy Unit dedicated to Mr. Rustom Fakirjee Cowasjee and recently an angiography machine benefitting the underprivileged segment of the society. Dr Rizvi said that Mr. Cowasjee remained a true friend of SIUT till his death.

Dr Anwar Naqvi of SIUT moderating the session, greatly lauded the philanthropic acts of Mr. Cowasjee, remembering the donation of the first dialysis machine in the memory of his wife in 1993 and subsequently a 24 unit dialysis centre at SIUT named after his illustrious mother Ms. Mucca Cowasjee. Dr. Naqvi divulged that Mr. Cowasjee was amongst the first who pledged to donate his organs for the benefit of dying humanity and took an active part in deceased organ donation program.

As a mark of respect for the departed soul, a two minute silence was observed.

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