The Ganga Ram Institute for Postgraduate Medical Education and Research
Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, Delhi, India
in collaboration with

International Asthma Services (IAS)
Colorado, USA

announces

Diploma in Pediatric Allergy and Asthma (DPAA)
Course Prospectus – 2020

Endorsed by:
American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology (AAAAI)
& Center for Global Health, University of Colorado, USA

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Aims and Objectives

• To provide specialization and expertise in the field of Pediatric Allergy and Asthma by training prepared minds under guidance of experienced faculty in the field.

• To bring together in one place educational facilities of the highest order through didactic lectures, discussions, hands on work in the field so that the trainees are able to attain self-sufficiency in the field of Pediatric Allergies.

• After successfully completing the course, the trainees should be competent to manage, treat and understand all forms of Pediatric allergic disorders, which is causing strain on our pediatric population.

• To provide ambient atmosphere of research and development in the aforesaid field.

Course information

Scope of the course – DPAA course is a distant learning contact-based program suitable for general practitioners, residents and physicians who deal with allergy patients in their day-to-day practice. This course will incorporate interactive sessions on basics and advances of allergy, available tests and management in office practice. The aim of this program is to provide state of art clinical training in allergy, asthma and related conditions to health care providers. We also aim to initiate quality research in the field of pediatric allergies.

Recognition – DPAA course is recognized by The Ganga Ram Institute for Postgraduate Medical Education and Research (GRIPMER), an academic body of Sir Ganga Ram Hospital (Delhi, India) and International Asthma Services (Colorado, USA). The course has been endorsed by American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology (AAAAI) and Center for Global Health, University of Colorado, USA.

Eligibility criteria for applying DPAA course – Following candidates will be eligible to apply for DPAA course.

• MD/DNB/Diploma completed in either of the following:
  • Respiratory or Pulmonary Medicine
  • General Medicine
  • General Pediatrics
  • ENT (Otorhinolaryngology)

• Overseas candidates with equivalent qualification will be eligible for the DPAA course, after recognition by Medical council of India.

Course curriculum – ‘Diploma in Pediatric Allergy and Asthma’ (DPAA) is a 1-year distance learning program with quarterly personal contact sessions, starting from January every year. Each personal contact session (PCS) will be 5-6 days long.
Enrolled candidates will be issued a log book in the first PCS. First three PCS will have morning didactic theory sessions and afternoon practical/demo sessions. Details of each PCS session will be provided to enrolled candidates prior to each PCS. After each PCS session, candidates will be given pre-defined assignments related to course content, while they are practicing at their home/work areas. They need to complete these assignments and submit it to course director before the next PCS session. Each candidate has to present at least one journal club/scientific dialogue from the latest research in the field of allergy & asthma during training. There will be a revision session followed by exit exam in the final PCS.

**What if someone can’t attend one/more of the PCS sessions after enrollment?**

– Attendance at all three PCS is mandatory for appearing in the final exit exam. If due to certain circumstances, any candidate is unable to attend any PCS, then he/she is supposed to attend same PCS with next year batch to be eligible for appearing in final exit exam (next year after completion of all three PCS).

**Exit exam** – The exit exam will be conducted during fourth PCS session only. It will consist of both theory and practical evaluation. Minimum 60% marks in both theory and practical will be required (independently) for passing the exit exam. Logbook & assignments will have certain predefined weightage in the final exam. The final exam will be evaluated by both Indian & US faculty. Final results of the examination will be sent to the candidates individually and will be displayed on our website www.pacesgrh.com by the end of December same year.

**Convocation** – Successful candidates will be awarded the certificate of the “DIPLOMA IN PEDIATRIC ALLERGY AND ASTHMA” by GRIPMER and IAS during the next year convocation ceremony. Meritorious students will be felicitated during convocation ceremony. Details will be uploaded on our website in due course of time.

**Course Venue** – All the PCS sessions will be held at campus of Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, Rajinder Nagar, New Delhi – 110060 (INDIA). Enrolled candidates need to arrange their travel, stay, boarding, lodging by their own. DPAA governing body, GRIPMER or IAS will **NOT** be responsible for any of these issues or expenses.

**Faculty** – Various national and international faculties will be available for teaching and interaction during DPAA course. There will be online sessions from experts across the globe.

- Specialists to be included during DPAA course
  - Pediatric & Adult Pulmonologist
  - Pediatric & Adult Allergy specialist
  - Intensivist
  - Dermatologist
  - ENT specialist
  - Ophthalmologist
  - Aerobiologist
  - Allied sciences (Nephrologist, Neurologist, Rheumatologist, Hematologic, Psychiatrist, Statistician)

**Fee structure** – The fee covers charges for tuition fee, supplies, exam fees (same academic year), course material, local hospitality (during course) and convocation.
Total fee (including GST) in Indian currency: Rs. 1,40,000/-
Total fee for international candidates (in USD): USD 3000/-
Exam fee for same academic year: NIL
Exam fee for subsequent academic year: Rs. 28,000/- OR USD 600/-

Payment can be made by demand draft or NEFT transfer. Further details will be communicated to enrolled candidates in due course of time.

**Fee refund policy** – There will be NO refund of any part of fee, after submission, even if the candidate chose not to join the course or discontinue in between due to any reason. The fee will NOT be transferred to another candidate account, if any candidate wishes to do so.

**Stipend** – There will be NO stipend given to enrolled candidates.

**Dispute settlement** – All disputes between any candidate and the Institute or Sir Ganga Ram Hospital will be resolved first through amicable settlement. If the dispute is not resolved through amicable settlement, then within 30 days of such dispute, either party may institute arbitration proceedings. Arbitration will be conducted in accordance with the Indian Arbitration Act, 1996. Arbitral tribunal will consist of three arbitrators, one each appointed by a disputing party, with the third arbitrator appointed by the two nominated parties. The venue of the arbitration will be at New Delhi. Award of the arbitrator will be final and binding between the disputing parties. Subject to the above, the High Court of Delhi alone will have the exclusive jurisdiction to adjudication in case of any dispute.

**Timeline for DPAA course** –
- Availability of application forms: March-April 2019
- Submission of complete application form: 31st July (05.00 PM) 2019
- Selection process: August 2019
- Display of selected candidates: 31st August 2019
- Submission of course fee (latest by): 31st October 2019
- Display of waitlist candidate (if required): November 2019
- Start of DPAA course PCS: January 2020
- Conduct of DPAA sessions: Quarterly
- Exit exam: November-December 2020
- Result of successful candidates: Last week of December 2020
- Convocation: March-April 2021

**DPAA course – Application process**

**How to apply:**
Application forms will be available from our website in March-April each year for subsequent year academic session. Form can be filled online (at www.pacesgrh.com) or offline (in legible hand-writing). Application form may be submitted latest by 31st July 05.00 PM along with supporting documents and application fee. Form may be submitted online (at www.pacesgrh.com) or offline (by hand or speed-post or courier).

**Postal Address for offline application form submission:**
Dr Neeraj Gupta, Director DPAA course, Pediatric Reception, Ward 6, Institute of Child Health, Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, Rajinder Nagar, New Delhi - 110060
Application fee:
For Indian candidates, the application fee of Rs.1000/- may be deposited online (at www.pacesgrh.com) or offline by cash/cheque/demand draft in favor of ‘Sir Ganga Ram Hospital’ payable at Delhi or NEFT transfer. For international candidates, the application fee of USD 25/- may be deposited online (at www.pacesgrh.com) or offline by demand draft/NEFT transfer. The application fee should be submitted along with completed application form and other supporting documents.

NEFT details are as - Account name: Sir Ganga Ram Hospital; A/c No: 91112010000014; A/c type: Saving; IFSC: SYNB0009111 (for Indian nationals); SWIFT code: SYNBINBB126 (for foreign nationals); Bank: Syndicate Bank; Branch: Sir Ganga Ram Hospital Branch, Rajinder Nagar, New Delhi - 110060.

Documents to be submitted:
Following documents need to be submitted during application for DPAA course:

- Complete application form
- Latest CV/Resume
- Self-attested copy of MBBS degree
- Self-attested copy of Post-graduate degree/diploma
- Self-attested copy of registration with medical council
- Two extra recent passport size photos (for offline application only)
- Application fee

Rejection of application form:
Forms with incomplete information or supporting documents or missing/non-payment of application fee will be immediately rejected and will not be considered for further evaluation or selection.

Selection process:
Applications submitted up till 31st July 05.00 PM will be evaluated during the month of August by selection committee. The selection committee may hold an interview of shortlisted candidates in the month of August. The selection will be done at the discretion of the selection committee and the decision will be final and binding. Final list of selected candidates will be displayed on our website www.pacesgrh.com by 31st August 05.00 PM as well as candidates will be individually informed (on their E-mail id given on application form) during first week of September. Selected candidates need to accept or reject their candidature latest by 30th September, failing which the candidature will be considered cancelled. In case of any rejection/cancellation (at any stage of selection process), candidates from waiting list will be invited to join the course. (maximum till November for subsequent January start).

Submission of course fee and recruitment for DPAA course:
Once selected candidates accept their candidature, they need to deposit the complete course fee latest by 31st October failing which their candidature will be cancelled. Candidates will be informed about mode of course fee submission after selection.

Session details:
After selection and recruitment process is complete, candidates will be informed about their personal contact session (PCS) details. Study material and PCS session roster will be informed in due course of time. First PCS session will start in January month of coming year.
Services available

- Airway reconstruction
- Allergen patch testing
- Endobronchial ultrasonography (EBUS)
- FENO estimation
- Flexible bronchoscopy
  - Children & Adolescents
  - Neonates (Preterm & Term)
- Food challenge test
- High Flow nasal canula device
- Mutation analysis
- Immunotherapy
  - Subcutaneous
  - Sublingual
- In-vitro specific IgE test
- Laryngoscopy
- Non-invasive ventilation
- Pathological analysis
  - Cytopathological evaluation of lung secretions,
    Bronchoalveolar lavage fluid and aspiration material
  - Histological diagnosis of lung biopsy specimen
- Pediatric Tracheostomy
- pH monitoring
- Pulmonary function test
  - Impulse oscillometry
  - Peak expiratory flowmetry
  - Spirometry
- Rhinoscopy
- Rigid bronchoscopy
  - Foreign body removal
- Skin Prick Test
  - Aeroallergens
  - Food allergens
  - Insect allergens
- Sleep studies
- Sweat chloride test
- Ultrasound chest
- Video Assisted Thoracoscopic Surgery (VATS)
- Video Laryngoscopy

Specialty clinics

- Allergy Clinic
- Pulmonology Clinic
Contact us:
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