EDITORIAL

Modular System of Medical Education

Medical Education was inducted in British Rule on India and King Edward Medical College was established in Lahore in1860. The earlier system was inducting Indian Medical students in courses to make associate Doctors while later they were also included in M.B; B.S; programme. The admission in earlier years in twentieth century was to prefer admission of students after B.Sc., when students were trained for Basic Sciences.

In modern world as the knowledge in Medical Profession has reached a very high level of professional skills & research there has been reinvention of Medical Degree based on corresponding knowledge in preclinical subjects.

After producing the best quality Medical Professionals who have been introduced in the best professional institutions in the world over now Pakistan Medical Council has put stress on producing professionals in the light of modern scenario the world over.

Earlier two institutions in Karachi i.e., The Aga Khan University and Ziauddin Medical University introduced Modular System in Medical Education putting stress on Medical Skills, Knowledge and Attitudes which was successfully achieved and I was apart of the system. In USA medical education starts after qualifying a University Degree i.e, B.S. Then you sit for USMLE and get admission after acquiring best preclinical knowledge. Pakistani students have to spend the first two years in acquiring those skills and knowledge.

The proposed method of Modular system has been best worked on by Professor Abdul Majeed Chaudhry by developing the COME curriculum in his stay at King Edward Medical College/University. It has been practically organised system and should be adapted to overcome the future problems in Medical education.

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