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Getting Started

It's the second issue of The ICENI Centre Quarterly News! In this issue, we expand more on our freshly established Fellowships Programme, which were shortly introduced in Issue 1. But that's not all waiting for you this time. The ICENI Centre always conducts some interesting initiatives, so we would like to update you on what we've been up to during months of January through March.

Fellowships Programme are just a teaser, among other things we've been helping local schools to demonstrate the variety of careers available in the NHS by organizing a 6-week long series of Masterclasses!

Keep reading to find out more.



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With the beginning of 2019 The ICENI Centre has launched 2 Fellowships programmes, a nationwide and an international one. Within the past few months, clinicians from the UK and abroad have shown an interest in pursuing General Surgery Fellowships, O&G and Colorectal Programmes. However, we welcome applications from clinicians from all specialisations with open arms - including gastroenterology, urology and pathology. The ICENI brand attracts delegates from all around the globe; so far we've accepted fellows from Australia, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia and Brazil and we are expecting many other nationalities to join us in the future.

The idea of establishing a Fellowships Programme is part of our first class education and training agenda that will allow you to enhance your career by acquiring meaningful practical experience in a real-life set up whilst you're still training or have just finished training. It's also a perfect opportunity to make international connections.

To view the number of fellowship offers available visit www.icenicentre.org and don't forget to recommend us to colleagues who may not yet have experienced the first class training we provide.

“Outstanding training of a very high quality. I learned a huge amount from my supervisor as well as 4 other colorectal surgeons who took me under their wings, in terms of technical and non-technical skills.”

-Rebecca Seton, Australia



ICENI Masterclasses

For 30 pupils from local Essex schools, 6 weeks of ICENI Masterclasses meant a comprehensive career guidance and early induction into a potential medical career. This time our Masterclasses were aimed to enable our future generation of medical professionals to take a look at surgery pathways requiring a variety of skill sets and offering a wide scope of opportunities at different levels of expertise.

Pupils also had a chance to meet up with Chair of General Medical Council and former president of Royal College of Surgeons England, *Dame Clare Marx*. Alongside that, it was a great chance for all the students interested in pursuing a medical career to get to know the environment and professions first-hand. St Benedict's Catholic College pupils Isabella Ifeadike and Chanay Francis are both hoping to pursue careers in medicine.

Isabella said: "I think it's really good because you get to see what it's like to work in an operating theatre. There are so many different parts I didn't know about." Then Chanay added: "I would like to be a surgeon, but I'm not sure what type I want to be so that's why it's good to come here. It opens your eyes, there are more roles than what you actually think and it gets you to realise there are so many roles you can do that help people."

"I wanted to be a doctor, but coming here has made me think more about being a surgeon. I think it could be more fulfilling."

Advancing Laparoscopy Surgical Skills – Colchester & Ipswich Hospitals

We're always thinking of new ways to improve patient care within the medical sector. This time, the ICENI Centre is holding a fundraiser to purchase advanced VR laparoscopic equipment. It is believed that specialists training on this kind of equipment can provide their patients with faster recovery time and help towards reducing waiting lists for procedures. So far, we have managed to raise £25,000 of £150,000 target. It's still a long way to go, so we need your help! It's a good cause, that would not only educate future professionals on an advanced level but also benefit the patient and their families in the long run.

Sports enthusiast Matthew Ager who had keyhole surgery following a football tackle that tore his cartilage was discharged from hospital within hours of his operation! "Football with my mates is my social life and thanks to keyhole surgery I was back on the pitch and enjoying a pint after the game in no time"

Inside the lecture theatre



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out, click here:
www.justgiving.com/campaign/improvingpatientcare-withadvancedsurgicaltraining

Our New Website

Our website just got a makeover! Over the past few months, a team of website designers and marketing experts worked tirelessly to elevate our website to match our impeccable quality of services. The new website is a part of our innovation agenda, aiming to deliver our services faster and simpler. Easy to navigate layout, a tab dedicated to Fellowship and more. Visit the site and see for yourself: www.icenicentre.org

Keep an eye out for Issue 3 of ICENI Quarterly News!
Amongst others, next issue will contain information about our on-line FREE to view Rectal Cancer Series. Subscribe to receive notifications
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Health Education England

We love to welcome international guests, but this time we focused on learners closer to home with the latest session of **Obs & Gynae Basic Practical Skills Course**, lead by consultant Tint Tint Wai, and a mandatory part of the Health Education England curriculum for future and upcoming healthcare professionals. Delegates on the course had an opportunity to learn basics ranging from safety principles in Laparoscopy & Hysteroscopy through suturing and knot tying to Caesarean section. Further down your career path, you can take a different course with us, also recommended by HEE EoE - **Lapco TT (train the trainer)**, where you get to learn how to effectively pass on your skills in laparoscopy to less experienced surgeons.

Pictured on the right are delegates training on ICENI's equipment for the O&G Basic Practical Skills course.

Check out all our courses at www.icenicentre.org



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