FELLOWSHIP IN
TRANSPLANT HEPATOLOGY

The course is accredited by Bharath Institute of Higher Education and Research (BIHER)

Dr. Rela Institute & Medical Centre is a Multi-Specialty Quaternary Care Medical facility dedicated to fostering and responding to the needs of a diverse set of patients. The hospital is committed to being an internationally significant healthcare system with the state-of-the-art infrastructure facilities, functioning in a sprawling campus of 36 acres located in chompet Chennai, India. With the facility of 450 beds inclusive of 130 critical care beds, 14 operating rooms, contemporary reference laboratories and radiology services, this centre is in close proximity of road, rail and air transport. The institute is designed to provide high expertise care in all specialties with special focus on care of critical illness and multi-organ transplantation. This hospital houses one of the World’s largest dedicated liver intensive care units. With an eye on the future, fifteen university accredited post-doctoral fellowships in various subspecialties have been started, providing a structured training in niche areas of the next generation doctors.

Transplant Hepatology is a highly specialized and demanding specialty which requires integration of good clinical knowledge, evidence based practices and technical skills. Our team has handled more than 1200 liver transplants including 250 paediatric liver transplantation in the last decade.

This Fellowship program will provide a comprehensive curriculum emphasizing patients with Advanced Liver disease, Acute Liver Failure, Liver Transplantation, Post Transplant care, and Hepatobiliary malignancies. The main goal of the program is to support fellows become clinical experts and academic leaders in the field of Transplant Hepatology. The program also provides exposure to combined organ transplants and Liver Critical Care, Hepatobiliary malignancies, Therapeutic endoscopies, Liver Histopathology. There will be ample research opportunities with participation in ongoing projects or newly developed investigative projects. Financial and logistic support is abundant and fellows are expected to be able to present research abstract at National or International liver transplant-oriented meetings during their course. The curriculum will comprise of

(a) Common core curriculum in transplantation medicine and (b) Basic and advanced clinical and scientific curriculum in Transplant Hepatology

We propose to cover the curriculum in the form of organized lectures, supervised sessions and other interactive sessions. Fellows will advance their medical knowledge through a number of didactics. Fellows are expected to participate in teaching sessions and pre-transplant listing meet every week apart from the monthly morbidity and mortality meet.

The objectives of the program include:

• Establish competency in the management of complications of End-stage Liver Disease and critically ill patients.
• Establish proficiency in preoperative optimization of patients for liver transplantation, preoperative evaluation for the surgery and postoperative management of liver transplant recipient (both cadaveric and living donor liver transplantation) including Combined liver and kidney transplantation, with comprehensive understanding of post transplant care

Transplant Hepatology Fellowship candidate will gain experience in

• Education knowledge, professional skills and technical proficiency in the management patients with End stage liver disease, pre-operative evaluation, post-operative management long term follow up of liver transplant recipients.
• Various aspects of Liver Transplantation (Living Donor Liver Transplantation/Decased Donor Liver transplantation, Combined Liver Kidney Transplantation, Auxiliary Liver Transplantation)
• Identification of critically ill patients, clinical decision making skills, in patient and patient management of liver transplant recipients.
• Management of patients in the Liver Intensive care unit.
• Understanding and the management of immunosuppressive drugs.
• Proficiency in therapeutic upper GI endoscopy and observation in post transplant ERCP
• Investigations and management of Hepatocellular carcinoma
• Basic understanding of liver histopathology
• Concept of teamwork alongside and working closely with transplant surgeons and liver intensivists. Manage and lead clinical teams in an harmonious manner to optimize patient management.
• Clinical and basic science literature can be evaluated and critically assessed, leading to sound conclusions.
• The ability and desire to ask important questions and initiate investigative studies.
• Develop aptitude and interpersonal skills that will allow trainee to communicate well with peers and patients.

Number of posts available: 4
Starting Date : 1st February 2019
Course Duration : 1 Year
Eligibility Criteria : DM (Gastroenterology) / DM (Hepatology) / DNB or Equivalent International degrees
Last date for application : 5th January 2019

Selections process is through interview. Interested candidates please mail your CV to Dinesh.Jothimani@relainstitute.com
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