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ICMR launches prescribing skills course for medical graduates

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The course will improve prescription practices amongst medical graduates



Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) has launched an online course on Prescribing Skills for Indian Medical Graduates (IMG) pursuing or completed internship.

The course is meant for improving prescription practices among Indian Medical Graduates and will be run by National Institute of Epidemiology (ICMR-NIE), Chennai.

Prof. Balram Bhargava, Secretary, DHR and Director General, ICMR while launching the course said “ICMR is committed to ensuring that the country’s medical graduates are at par with their international counterparts. The Council, through its institute ICMR-NIE has successfully completed a Basic Course in Biomedical Research. The course has now been made compulsory for postgraduates by theMedical Council of India. Building on the success, we will ensure that this digital course on Prescribing Skills for Indian Medical Graduates is effective”.

The course constitutes 40 video lectures of 20 minutes to be taken online over 3 months at learners’ pace. The course involves a pre test to evaluate participants prior knowledge, MCQs to be answered after seeing the modules, evaluate a prescription for appropriateness, all this to assess if the course has improved the participants knowledge.

A certificate of participation will be given on successful completion of the course. Interns are expected to register now, appear for pre test on October 4, 2020 or October 11, 2020. Then the IMG will have access to course from October 12, 2020 and it closes on December 30, 2020.