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Best Practices -2

2. Title of the Practice: - Community Extension Services.

❖ Objectives of the Practice: -

- ✓ To cultivate the habit and imbibe the responsibility in the minds of the students to serve society and extend community services.

❖ The Context: -

Through varied social welfare initiatives, a sense of responsibility towards society as a professional and mainly as a human is instilled into the students. As an integral part of the community and the planet earth, the institute and its students owe a great deal of responsibility towards the community's welfare and preserving the environment and nature on earth. Institute hence takes effort in motivating and encouraging students to participate in various social drives such as the Pulse Polio campaign, NSS activities, rallies, and street plays demonstrating the rational use of medicines and creating awareness among common people on epidemics such as dengue, chikungunya and Covid 19. To save planet earth from global warming and pollution, students are encouraged to organize tree plantation drives, and plastic-free surrounding drives.

Society at large was adversely affected by the Covid Pandemic. People including students, their families, and teaching and non-teaching staff faced various difficulties on the medical, financial, and emotional front. Our institute with its motto to extend community services took various initiatives during the Covid calamity. Food was provided to the households having

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Covid patients. The hostels were offered as quarantine centers to staff and common people who required isolation. Covid Care club was started to provide emotional support to the faculty and students who were affected due to Covid. Fee waivers and discounts were offered to students who lost their parents during the pandemic. Covid vaccination was arranged on priority basis for the faculty members. Vaccination drive for the students was organized at the campus.

❖ Evidence of Success: -

- ✓ Participation of students in the aforementioned social and extension activities have certainly imbibed the virtues of sensitivity, empathy, and social responsibility among our students.
- ✓ Few of our students have been working actively for NGOs. Many of the students did commendable work during Covid pandemic including providing food, medicines, sanitizers, masks to Covid affected people.
- ✓ Many of our Pharm D students extended helping hand in the Covid wards of the hospitals at the peak of the pandemic.
- ✓ Few of our students were appreciated by World Maratha Organization for their significant contribution during the pandemic.
- ✓ Institute has conferred "Corona Warrior" certificated to some of these students.

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Participation in extension activities and outreach programs has fetched significant appreciation to students and the institute like

- ✓ Pulse polio campaign certificate by Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation
- ✓ World Education Leadership award in "Innovation in corporate social responsibility practices" to the institute.
- ✓ Belavade and Marunji Gram Panchyat recognition & appreciation letters for various activities conducted under NSS.
- ✓ Appreciation certificate and trophy from the Pimpri Chinchwad blood bank and Pune Blood Centre for the Blood donation camp
- ✓ "Award for Institute with Best Social Outreach" by World Education Congress

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