

ALL INDIA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES, RAJKOT (GUJARAT)

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GLAUCOMA AWARENESS PROGRAMME

ON

WORLD GLAUCOMA WEEK 2023

SUMMARY REPORT OF GLAUCOMA AWARENESS PROGRAMME

Department of Ophthalmology, AIIMS Rajkot conducted a **Glaucoma Awareness Programme** on Saturday, 18th March 2023 from 10:00 AM to 01:00 PM, during World Glaucoma Week 2023. **Professor Col. Dr. CDS Katoch**, Executive Director, AIIMS Rajkot was the Chief Guest and Patron of the event. Under the esteemed guidance of Executive Director, Sir, a comprehensive program was organized at AIIMS Hospital with the objective of spreading awareness about glaucoma. Glaucoma, a chronic eye disease that can lead to irreversible vision loss, affects a significant number of individuals worldwide.

The glaucoma awareness program at AIIMS Hospital was organized under the leadership of Dr. Kedar Nemivant, Associate Professor and the Incharge of the department and Dr. Mamta Singh, an Assistant Professor. Their expertise and dedication played a pivotal role in the success of the program.

Objective Of Programme:

The primary objective of the glaucoma awareness program was to spread knowledge and raise awareness about glaucoma among both the medical community and the general public. The program aimed to educate individuals about the importance of early detection, prompt treatment, and regular eye examinations in managing and preventing the progression of glaucoma.

Programme Details:

Under the guidance of the Executive Director, Sir, a series of impactful initiatives were implemented at AIIMS Hospital to raise awareness about glaucoma. As part of these efforts, the department responsible for the program created visually appealing and informative posters. These posters effectively conveyed key information about glaucoma, including its causes, symptoms, and available treatments. Their strategic placement in clinics, and public spaces ensured maximum visibility and reach.

Furthermore, to enhance the diagnostic capabilities of the hospital, the Executive Director, Sir, inaugurated a Non-Contact Tonometer (NCT) machine. This cutting-edge device allows for the accurate measurement of intraocular pressure, a critical factor in diagnosing and managing glaucoma. By investing in advanced technology, the hospital demonstrated its commitment to providing the highest standard of care to patients.

The combination of informative posters and the introduction of the non-contact tonometer machine significantly bolstered the awareness program. These efforts not only educated individuals about the importance of regular eye check-ups and early detection but also showcased AIIMS Hospital's dedication to utilizing the latest advancements in ophthalmic care.

In addition to medical professionals and the general public, the glaucoma awareness program had the participation of MBBS students. The inclusion of these students was an essential aspect of the program, as it aimed to educate and empower the future healthcare practitioners about glaucoma. The program provided an opportunity for MBBS students to gain a deeper understanding of glaucoma, including its etiology, pathology, clinical manifestations, and management. By attending the program, students had the chance to broaden their knowledge beyond what is covered in their academic curriculum.

The combined efforts of Dr. Kedar Nemivant and Dr. Mamta Singh helped create a well-rounded and engaging glaucoma awareness program. Their commitment to spreading knowledge and raising awareness about glaucoma greatly contributed to the program's success in educating the audience and empowering individuals to take proactive measures for their eye health. The dedication and leadership demonstrated by Dr. Kedar Nemivant and Dr. Mamta Singh reflect their commitment to advancing ophthalmic care and their pivotal roles in organizing a program that positively impacted the community.

The program on spreading awareness of glaucoma under the guidance of the esteemed Executive Director, Sir at AIIMS Hospital served as a significant step towards reducing the burden of this debilitating eye disease. By empowering individuals with knowledge and encouraging proactive measures, the initiative contributed to the overall well-being of the community while emphasizing the importance of regular eye care.

Some moments captured during Programme (18/03/2023)



On behalf of the whole organizing committee, I sincerely thank Executive Director Sir for all the blessings, support, and motivation to successfully conduct the programme.

We are grateful to you Sir.

Thanks, and Regards

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