## Report of the Organizing Secretary, 6<sup>Th</sup> National Assembly on Pediatric Emergency Medicine – NAPEM 2014, Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India

The 6<sup>th</sup> National Assembly on Pediatric Emergency Medicine –NAPEM 2014 was organized 2014 by Academy of Pediatrics, Ahmedabad Branch in association with PEMAC chapter of IAP & STEP at Ahmedabad Management Association, ATIRA at Ahmedabad on 18<sup>th</sup>,19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> April.

It was unique experience attended by more than 350 delegates, the highest ever in a NAPEM till date.

## **Pre-conference workshops:**

There were 4 preconference workshops on 18<sup>th</sup> April 2014. Two were for Pediatricians and

- 1. Workshop 1 'Trauma, triage & transport for Doctors' Attended by 40 delegates which was nicely coordinated by Dr Nameeth Jerath with the help of Local co-ordinators Dr. Rakesh Sharma & Dr Vishal Kachhy. Dr Benjamin D'Souza (Australia), Dr Anand Shandilya (Mumbai), Dr Chong Shu Ling (Singapore), Dr Shiva Kalidindi (USA), Dr Somshekhar Nimbalkar (Karamsad) were amongst Faculties of this workshop. A useful module was given to all participants.
- 2. Workshop 2 'Imaging in Pediatric Emergency Medicine'- This workshop was attended by 35 delegates which was coordinated by Dr Dhiren Gupta (New Delhi) & Dr Suresh Gupta (New Delhi) which was supported by local coordinators Dr Parag Dagli & Dr Anshuman Varshney. Dr.Prameela Joji (Kerala) and Dr.Hemat Patel (Radiologist) were faculties for the workshop.
- 3. Workshop 3 'Basic Life support for Nurses' This workshop meant for staff nurses was attended by 50 nurses from all over the state. It was nicely managed by chief instructor Dr (Mrs) S N Vani with the help of local coordinator Dr Sanjay Shah .Dr Akash Patel, Dr. Abhishek Bansal & Dr Madhvi Chaudhry was amongst the faculties for the workshop.
- 4. Workshop 4 'Emergency school Preparedness for schools teachers' One unique workshop most well appreciated & well attended by almost 50 school teachers which was coordinated by Dr Rashna Dass Hazarika (Guwahati) along with local coordinators Dr Nishchal Bhatt & Dr Chetan Trivedi. Dr Bela Shah, Dr Siddharth Shah, Dr Kunal Sheth, Dr Zankhana Parekh were amongst faculties for the workshop. During this workshop school teachers were taught how to manage Emergencies for school kids during schooling hours. A very nice module developed by Dr Rashna Dass Hazarika was distributed to all participants. This workshop was able to fetch the attention of print media who covered article in local Gujarati news paper as well as DNA news paper.

## Main conference:

Main conference was for 2 days on 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> April. There were 40 deliberations along with 5 panel discussions during this mega event. There were 5 international & 20 national & 15 local speakers during the whole conference who shared their knowledge & experience. Prominent feature of this conference was concurrent sessions running in two halls which had full house attendance during the whole conference.

This conference was formally inaugurated on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2014 by the legendary and senior most & the most respectable pediatrician of the country Dr (Mrs ) A B Desai. This inauguration was graced by STEP Patron Dr J S Surpure(USA), Chairperson Dr Sunit Singhi, Secretary Dr Suresh Gupta. Welcome address by Conference Chairperson Dr Abhay Shah, Conference proceedings by Conf Secretariat Dr Chetan Trivedi & vote of thanks were given by Dr Rakesh Sharma (Co-Organizing Secretary). Academy of Pediatrics, Ahmedabad Branch President Dr Chetan Trivedi & Secretary Dr J K Gosai thanked STEP for giving opportunity to organize the mega event at Ahmedabad. During this ceremony, **NAPEM 2014 Souvenir** was released by dignitaries. The souvenir is a compilation of many good articles & flow charts on topics covered during the conference and can be kept as ready reference by the delegates in their routine day to day practice.

On the evening of 19<sup>th</sup> April 2014, there was excellent Banquet Dinner with musical entertainment where delegates enjoyed delicious food, music & dance with friends & families.

On 20<sup>th</sup> April 2014, during the valedictory function, STEP Secretary Dr Suresh Gupta appreciated the efforts of the Organizing Committee of NAPEM 2014 & congratulated all for conducting such a successful conference which would not have been otherwise possible without the outs efforts of the Organizing team of NAPEM 2014 from Gujarat!! List Of the Faculties during NAPEM 2014:

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