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Lawyers, Judges & Policymakers*

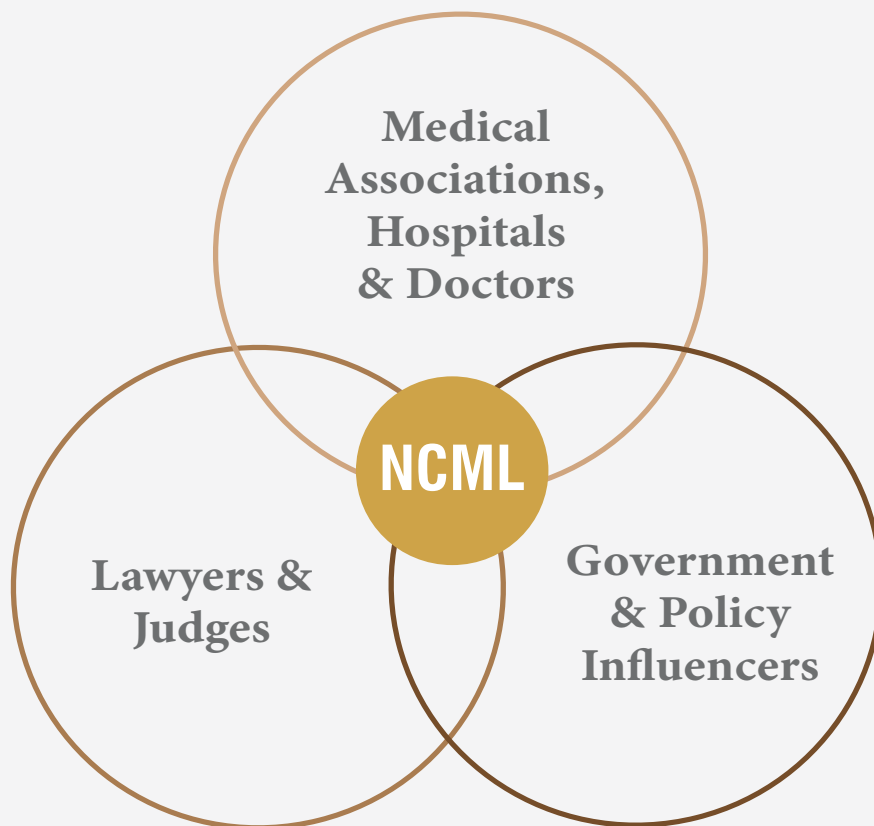


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THE NEED

- Sharp rise in cases of medical negligence
- Rise in practice of 'defensive medicine'
- A barely existent regulatory framework
- Courts are being forced to take decisions in matters where the written law is absent, outdated, or impractical



THE SOLUTION – THIS CONVENTION

- Issues of concern deliberated on a national platform
- Key stakeholders share their problems, views and try to arrive at a solution
- White Paper on the deliberations and recommendations shared with policy makers

OUR JOURNEY

**Deliberated Important Issues
Drafted Landmark Whitepapers
Sparked Legislative Debates**



2015

The Clinical Establishment Act, 2010 – Compliments, Comments, Complaints
Emergency Medical Care – Need for a new Law
Role of law in controlling the healthcare cost – Reuse of equipments

2016

National Law for Ambulances – Need of the Hour
MCI's guidelines for a doctor's website

2018

Virtual Autopsy – Need and Legality
Mental Health Act 2017 – Implementation, Challenges, and Solutions



2019

Medical Tribunal – Need of the hour / The best viable alternative today
Linking Aadhar with sonography – An unconventional solution for female foeticide
Sensitivity Tests for Antibiotics – Medically obsolete, but legally mandatory

2020

Organ Transplant in India – Legal Issues and Challenges
Legal & Regulatory Framework for Tele-Health – The Way Forward

2021

Violence Against Healthcare Providers – Issues & Solutions

2022

Prosecuting Doctors For Medical Negligence – Statutory Changes Needed In IPC



2023

Privileging in Medical Practice – Need for quick action

2024

Medical Negligence Cases ? What are the alternatives to Consumer Courts?

2025

Medical Device Reuse: A Policy Paralysis that is Hurting

REAL-WORLD IMPACT

National Law for Ambulances



NCML 2016

Demands strict standard regulations for ambulances

8.9.2016

Union Government codifies ambulance standards by introducing Rule 125 F in Central Motor Vehicles Rules



Legal Validity of Digital Autopsies



NCML 2018

Declares that digital autopsies have no legal impediments and can be adopted

3.12.2019

Union Health Minister announces in Parliament, "India is starting virtual autopsy"



Uniform Declaration of Death



NCML 2016

Recommends a uniform framework for brain death certification

19.1.2020

Kerala government notifies 'Guidelines for the Brain Death Certification'



SPEAKERS



Justice Dinesh Maheshwari

Chairperson: Law Commission of India



Justice Ravi Tripathi

Member: 21st Law
Commission of India



Dr. B C Gupta

Member: Lok Adalat, Punjab
& Haryana High Court

Guests of Honour



Dr. Alexander Thomas

Founder: Association of
Healthcare Providers India (AHPI)



Dr. Chetan Jani

President: Indian Academy
of Forensic Medicine



Dr. Devi Shetty

Founder: Narayana Health



Prof. M Mariappan

Chairperson: Centre for Hospital
Management, TISS



Dr. Nagendra Swami

Chief Executive: Ramaiah
Memorial Hospital, Bangalore



Dr. Parag Rindani

Group CEO: Wockhardt Hospitals



Dr. Ravi Wankhedkar

Ex-Treasurer: World Medical Association
Ex-President: IMA (National)



Dr. S Arulraj

Ex-President: Commonwealth
Medical Association



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Director of Medical Education
and Major Hospitals: BMC



Dr. Shivkumar Utture

President: Maharashtra
Medical Council



Dr. Suresh Badamath

Academic Psychiatrist, Mental
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Editor: Express Pharma &
Express Healthcare

National convention on medicine & law held

Chennai, Oct 21: The 4th National Convention on Medicine & Law (NCML) 2019 organised by Institute of Medicine & Law (IML) held in city.

This convention was attended by the doctors, policy makers, and legal experts from across India and chaired by Justice (Dr.) B C Gupta.

The Convenor of this edition, Dr. T N Ravikiran

addressed the concerns of the medical fraternity on some pressing legal issues affecting Healthcare Practitioners. Some of these include setting up of a Medical Tribunal to avoid doctors and hospitals being sued in multiple forums simultaneously, relooking at the draconian Pre-Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques (PCPNDT) Act, and abrogating the Sensitivity Tests for

Antibiotics, which is medically obsolete but legally mandatory. Some of these laws are archaic or need to be amended to keep in tune with the times.

Key topics to be discussed at the convention are Medical Tribunal - Need of the Hour / The Best Viable Alternative Today, Linking Aadhar with Sonography - An Unconventional Solution for Fetal Feticide

Sensitivity Tests for Antibiotics - Medically Obsolete, but Legally Mandatory.

The outcome of these deliberations will be compiled in a 'white paper' which will update the policy makers with the lacunae in the legal and regulatory framework on an ongoing basis and ensure that the outcome of this exercise is taken to its logical conclusion.

2ND NATIONAL CONVENTION ON MEDICINE & LAW

A major step in bridging the lack of dialogue between the doctor community, hospitals, legal professionals, and policy makers was taken at 2nd National Convention on Medicine & Law-2016 organised by the Institute of Medicine & Law (IML).

A white paper recommending legal reforms in health care was released today, which will be submitted to policy makers and regulators.

The document exhaustively discusses and highlights several medico-legal issues including the need for a new law recognising declaration or certification of brain stem death as a form of death under Uniform Determination of Death Act, a law to enable doctors to refuse treatment or admission in case of futility of care, to legally recognise living wills/advance directives/DNR instructions among others.

2026 - TENTATIVE TOPICS

- Saving India's Nursing Homes - Policy Reforms for Survival (Main Session)
- Doctors under POCSO - Finding The Legal Balance
- Should the 'Jacob Mathew' protection be extended to Nurses also?
- End-of-Life Care Laws in India Beyond Raina
- Too Many Rules, Too Few Organs - Reforms in India's Transplant Regime
- Death-on-Table (DOT) - The Legal Grey Zone
- Healing Disputes: ADR in Healthcare
- Policy Reforms on Medical Students' Stress
- 'Real Consent' of Samira Kohli - Are Consumer Courts missing the point?

The topics get finalized after getting comments, suggestions and alternatives from stakeholders

स्वास्थ्य रक्षा में कानूनी सुधारों को सिफारिश पर श्वेत पत्र जारी

नई दिल्ली, 21 अक्टूबर: स्वास्थ्य रक्षा में कानूनी सुधारों को सिफारिश पर श्वेत पत्र जारी।

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Valedictory Session of National Convention on Medicine & Law organised

New Delhi: The Director General, Health Services, Government of India, Dr. Jagdish Prasad has called upon the doctors to treat the patients in a manner in which parents look after their children to avoid unnecessary medical litigations. Dr Prasad was speaking as a chief guest after releasing a 'White Paper on Legal Issues in Health Care' at a valedictory session of National Convention on Medicine & Law - 2015 at India Habitat Centre in New Delhi. He said that it would help in strengthening the faith among the patients towards the doctors and will also play a significant role in bringing down the increasing medical litigations in a big way.

The Union Health & Family Welfare Minister, Mr. Jagat Prakash Nadda, in a message read on the occasion, stated that initiatives like this Convention are the need of the hour where various stakeholders came on a common platform and discussed legal issues of concern in the presence of the representatives of the Government and regulatory bodies and the Government also tried to explain its stand on various issues. The Health Minister added that the recommendations of this Convention will certainly provide a

requestive inputs in dealing with legal issues relating to health care. While welcoming the chief guest, the Director of Institute of Medicine & Law (IML), Mr. Mahendra Kumar Bajpai said that the IML provides education, information and services related to medical laws. He said that IML's actionable content and analyses are delivered to doctors, hospitals and lawyers on multiple platforms in real time. The Chairman, Academic Council, MCI, Dr. Vedprakash Mishra gave the keynote address pointing out that multiplicity of laws applicable to medical practice, failure of doctors to accept the changed reality, ignorance of law amongst doctors, gaps in MCI regulations especially failure to teach law at the undergraduate level and later updating practising doctors with changes in law, were the prominent underlying reasons for the present state of affairs. The Members of National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, Dr. S. M. Kantikar & Dr. B. C. Gupta also addressed the Convention and shared their experiences pertaining to medical litigations. The Associate Director, Institute of Medicine & Law, Mr. Ravindra Mangal gave the vote of thanks.

Private doctors violating MCI norms

Most doctors practicing privately have not given the necessary undertakings to the MCI Code of Ethics Regulation, 2002. During visits to a few private clinics in the National Capital, this report

specifies that doctors are not providing a receipt against their charges for consultation and this might improve the situation. Dr. Jagdish Prasad, Director of Health Services, Government of India, said that doctors are 'soft targets'.

2019ம் ஆண்டுக்கான மருத்துவம் மற்றும் சட்டம் தொடர்பான நூல்களின் தேர்வு மாநாடு சென்னை-2019

சென்னை, 20.10.2019: மருத்துவம் மற்றும் சட்டம் தொடர்பான நூல்களின் தேர்வு மாநாடு சென்னை-2019.



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मेडिसिन और ली पर दूसरे राष्ट्रीय सम्मेलन में फैलाव जारी-

द्वेन डेय पर नया कानून नहीं बना तो मुश्किल होगा इलाज

राजधानी में आयोजित 2019 के राष्ट्रीय चिकित्सा और कानून सम्मेलन में डॉ. जगदीश प्रसाद ने कहा कि चिकित्सा क्षेत्र में कानून का अभाव एक बड़ा चिंता का कारण है।



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