

Editorial

Continuing medical education plays a significant role to shape the young professionals to become functional citizens to help in the social, economic, cultural and political development of the society. An in-depth investigation can provide rich, meaningful data and insight into the complexity of human experience. In this issue of BJME, there are six interesting research subject matter. Hope reader will enjoy the articles.

Clinical teaching and learning in dental education in Bangladesh has been yet to be examined. A article explores the perceptions of final year dental students about the effective clinical teaching and learning in dental education and found that the teachers' positive attitudes, ability to establish a good supervisory relationship, good feedback in clinical teaching and learning and learning environment can contribute to effectiveness in their learning.

Medical students face a high level of distress during their undergraduate course. High levels of stress may have a negative effect on cognitive learning process. In this issue an article written on stress and depression among undergraduate medical students of Bangladesh shown that 99 % student were suffered from variety level of psychological stress.

Some medical students have positive self concept and can actively involved in the learning process, while some students are passive and quiet. This situation occurs because their action is influenced by the students self concept. The establishment of self concept depends on various factors such as family background, friends, and colleagues. This article examines the relationship between Self Concepts and Students' Academic Achievements.

Trained doctors are more able to communicate warmth and are more able for detecting and responding appropriately to patient's verbal and non verbal indication. But intern teaching communication skills not praise worthy as interns were not taught communication skills in their clinical classes. It was seen in the study that majority of the teachers confessed that they don't teach communication skills in structured way as well.

Job satisfaction is not high among medical teachers of Bangladesh. A study found that the 75 % of the teacher were satisfied with one or other aspect of their job. Clinical teachers were highly satisfied. Dissatisfaction was highest in relation to current salary, teaching environment, opportunity for professional development of teachers, undue pressure at work place, political interference in recruitment, promotion, posting etc.

Rational use of drugs is one of the major issues in health care system. Medically inappropriate, ineffective and economically inefficient, self-medication, overuse and misuse of antibiotics and unnecessary use of expensive drugs are the common types of irrational use of drugs through out the world. An article written on factors of irrational use of drugs and ensure better health care through rational use of medicine.

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