

## **Editor's Desk**



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Remembering our teachers and mentors is equivalent to veneration and approbation, placing them on the same Pedastal like sages. Extricating from our memory bank the teachings and advice delivered to us, emulating and surpassing them in our real life is a fitting tribute to the teachers and mentors. Today being Guru Purnima we reminisce and muse over about the greatness of our teachers. Teachers deliver and bequeath knowledge and work hard to imprint the teachings indelibly into students' memory.

Memory is something, the wealth of which is immensely variable. Still, a good teacher/guru adopts varying techniques to inflict and bash the knowledge into their student's minds, despite the vast variance in the students absorbing skills. The dedication and seriousness with sincerity they adopt is a gift to be followed. A mentor is an experienced person who acts in the capacity of an advisor. Teaching is about knowledge and mentoring is about the experience, teaching focuses on the how, and mentoring focuses on the why. In the medical field, we need both teaching and mentoring. Cream of knowledge can be accumulated through intense listening and keen observation. Attending conferences worldwide over the career is a banquet laid out for the acquisition of knowledge. Trainer, coach, Master, guide, and educator are somewhat similar to phraseology analogous to teachers.

They not only executed their prowess during working hours, but several also went out of their way to impart the knowledge outside their office hours. A few even extended their kindness to monetarily help some deserving poor students and provide them with sustenance. Such a dedicated service is ought to be remembered and respected. We all know the guru retains a place in respect and reverence after motherly and fatherly status and God is placed only after the Guru. Within our own profession prior to evidence-based medicine acquiring prominence, the priceless clinical experiences garnered over the years by our respected teachers were generously shared within the student community. Most wisdom is gained by experiences from different sources. In our walk of life, we as individuals are an anomalous mixture of teachers, mentors, and students.

We continue to teach, pari passu with updating and continued learning leading to the acclamation of being eternal students. We continue to educate ourselves with modern developments and updates until we hit the grave. Hence with modern advances in technology, we are gifted with online educational services enabling us to conduct Webinars, e - learning, distance courses, on line courses, online universities, distance education, etc. We are lucky to be members of the modern generation to be consumers of the above, considering the restrictions imposed on us by the Covid pandemic. We would like to bring THE MEDIBEATS as the well known designer baby of our cultured modern technology. We in our professional life need the combo of good teachers and mentors.



Concluding let us all reverberate our great teachers and eminent emeritus professors for their valued contribution towards the internationally spread out experts in the medical field.

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