An app to teach best practices for the care of preterm babies

The All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) just released an app to improve the quality of medical practices for preterm babies. The ten modules, designed by neonatologists and nurses from all over India, are intended as an educational tool for health workers working in Special Newborn Care Units. The modules use self-learning, skill building, and simulation.

The app is currently available for Android only. An iOS version with local language options will be released.

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If you work on child health, you need to join CHIFA

Health workers and citizens in low-income countries do not have access to relevant, reliable healthcare knowledge that is vital to reduce child mortality and morbidity.

Child Healthcare Information for All (CHIFA), which launched this month, seeks to bridge this gap and address the information and learning needs of those responsible for the care of children in developing countries, including family members and health workers.

CHIFA is a global campaign, professional network and discussion forum which links academic centres with grassroots health workers. Its remit includes children’s rights to health and healthcare, and the social determinants of health.

CHIFA is free and open to anyone with an interest in child health. Join here: www.chifa.org

Compassion in humanitarian settings: Join the discussion!

Join the first Global Health Compassion Round, on ‘Compassion in humanitarian settings’ on 4th December 2019 at 10:30 EST (16:30 GMT+1).

Register here

This first event, hosted by the Focus Area for Compassion and Ethics (FACE) at the Task Force for Global Health and the Global Learning Laboratory (GLL) will feature Heather Howard, Senior Global Health Advisor at Alight (formerly American Refugee Committee).

The Global Health Compassion Rounds are a safe space to discuss topics on compassion within health service delivery. They will take place quarterly, and include an introduction on the day’s topic, a reflection from a global health expert and an open discussion.

For questions, email face@taskforce.org

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The Network for Improving Quality of Care for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health (Quality of Care Network) works to ensure that every pregnant woman and newborn receives good quality care throughout pregnancy, childbirth and the postnatal period, with the ambitious goal to halve maternal and newborn deaths and stillbirths in health facilities within five years in the participating countries.

The Quality of Care Network is led by countries that are already taking leadership to improve quality of care in health services: Bangladesh, Côte d’Ivoire, Ethiopia, Ghana, India, Kenya, Malawi, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Tanzania, and Uganda. It is backed by the World Health Organization, UNICEF and UNFPA, and supported by a growing partnership of development organisations, NGOs, professional associations and universities.

It is underpinned by the values of quality, equity and dignity and contributes to achieving the targets of the Every Woman Every Child Global Strategy for Women’s, Children’s and Adolescents’ Health.

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