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About Global Institute of Public Health (GIPH)

*A new-age public health institute under Ananthapuri Educational Trust,
Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala*



There is an enormous demand for qualified and trained public health specialists in India and other developing countries. In the context of very few institutes in Asian countries, offering quality-assured specialized training in public health suited for the needs of countries like India, Ananthapuri Educational Trust decided to develop a state-of-the-art public health institute – Global Institute of Public Health (GIPH). The institute is guided by an international advisory group consisting of eminent public health leaders from different parts of the world. GIPH collaborates with prominent international organizations, public health institutions and Universities across the globe. Many global public health professionals of Indian origin with immense experience in public health practice and training have committed to be part of this new initiative in Kerala.

GIPH also supports health departments of various state governments to extend training to in-service candidates to equip them to be better public health managers and works with Indian research and teaching institutes to develop a network of public health researchers. Global Institute of Public Health is hosted and administered by the Ananthapuri Educational Trust- a not for profit organization aimed at fostering higher education in medical science and public health. The trust, which was founded a decade ago has already made major strides in the field of medical and technical education in the country and currently runs more than 20 medical and related courses.

The institute is also attached to a 500-bedded tertiary care teaching hospital, Ananthapuri Hospitals and Research Institute (AHRI) which conducts National Board of Examination accredited Diplomate programs in Cardiology, Nephrology, Anesthesiology, Emergency Medicine and General Medicine and various other certified masters' programme. The attached College of Nursing is recognized by Indian Nursing Council, Kerala Nurses & Midwives Council and is affiliated Kerala University of Health Sciences. The college offers BSc (Nursing) and specialized MSc (Nursing) programs. Ananthapuri Institute of Paramedical Sciences offers various Diploma and Technology courses like the DMLT (Diploma in Medical Laboratory Technology), DOTT (Diploma in Operation Theatre Technology), DCVT (Diploma in Cardio Vascular Technology), DNT (Diploma in Neuro Technology) and DDT (Diploma in Dialysis Technology).

Academic activities

1. Master of Public Health (MPH)

The Master of Public Health (MPH) degree program by Global Institute of Public Health, affiliated to the Kerala University of Health Sciences (KUHS) is a high-intensive, demanding, interdisciplinary program emphasizing student-directed competency-based, learning, problem solving, and the acquisition of fundamental public health skills with value addition. It is envisaged as a comprehensive MPH program based on the principles and practices in public health with suitable and relevant modules catering to the needs of the public health system in India. This is a comprehensive Master's program in public health suitable for the needs of the public health system in India, keeping in mind the double burden of diseases the country is currently going through, with extreme shortage of human resources available with adequate public health training.

Objectives

Goals

Empowering persons from multiple disciplines with a public health vision for effective public health in India is the overall goal of this program. Master of Public Health course by

Global Institute of Public Health will open a new opportunity for people interested to understand, study and practice public health and its various sub-specialties in India. The proposed MPH program will help a long way in building the public health capacity of health human resources in our country. The Institute aims to run a world- class MPH program which can meet the requirements of not only India, but also other developing countries of the world- in terms of adequately trained public health practitioners. The MPH program under KUHS is ongoing since November 2017 onwards. We have got 6 students for MPH first batch and 3 students for MPH second batch. The third batch (intake in 2019) has 13 MPH students.

Regular Faculty

- i. Dr. Kesavan Rajasekharan Nayar MCH, PhD (Principal, Professor and Head)
- ii. Dr. S S Lal MBBS, MPH, MBA, PhD (Professor)
- iii. Dr. V Mohanan Nair MBBS, MPH, MHSc (Bioethics), PhD (Public Health) – Professor
- iv. Dr. Chitra Grace A MSc, MPH, PhD (Associate Professor)
- v. Dr. G K Mini MSc, MPhil, PhD (Associate Professor)
- vi. Dr Anand Marthanda Pillai MD, MPH, FACC, FHRS (Assistant Professor)
- vii. Mr. Jinbert Lordson MSc, CCRP (Lecturer)

Honorary / Visiting Faculty

- i. Prof. Dr. C G Bahuleyan, MD, DM, FRCP, FSCAI (Honorary Professor)
- ii. Dr. Hemachandran MBBS, MPH (Adjunct Professor)
- iii. Dr. Ambarish Dutta MBBS, MPH, PhD (Associate Professor)
- iv. Dr. Anant Kumar MA, MPhil, PhD (Adjunct Additional Professor)
- v. Dr Vijaykumar Chattu MBBS, MPH, PhD (Adjunct Research Professor)
- vi. Dr. Shiraz Bava PhD (Adjunct Professor)
- vii. Dr. Hannah Monica Dias, WHO, Geneva, Switzerland (Visiting Professor)
- viii. Prof Dr Kumudu Wijewardena MD, PhD Srilanka (Visiting Professor)
- ix. Prof Dr.Seval Akgun MD, PhD, Turkey (Visiting Professor)

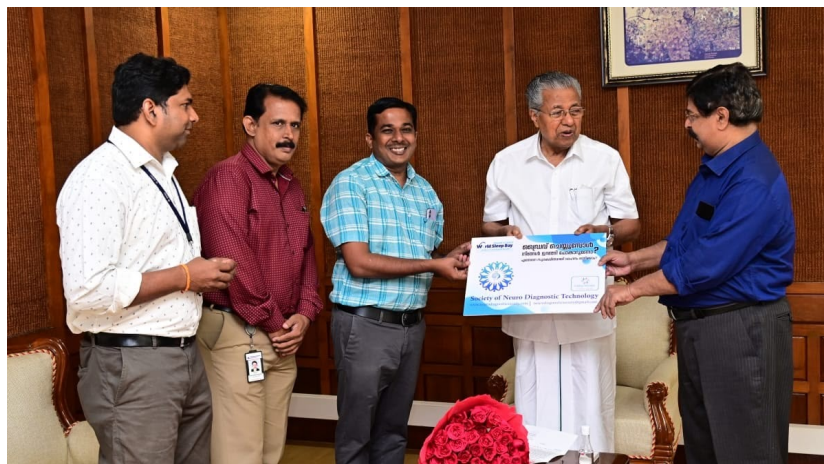
X. Prof Dr.Monika Sawhney PhD, USA (Visiting Professor)

2. PhD Research Centre

GIPH is a recognized Research Centre under KUHS and we have three research guides, they are Prof. K Rajasekharan Nayar (Principal, GIPH), Prof. Dr. C G Bahuleyan, (Honorary Professor), Dr.S.S. Lal (Professor, GIPH), Dr. Chitra Grace A (Associate Professor, GIPH) and Dr. Mini. G.K (Associate Professor, GIPH).

Activities of GIPH

- **On behalf of World sleep day 2023, Society of Neurodiagnostic technology (SNDT) and the Global Institute of Public Health (GIPH) are jointly organizing seminars for drivers to avoid drowsy driving. Sleep disorder awareness brochure was launched by Honourable Chief Minister Shri. Pinarayi Vijayan, Professor A Marthanda Pillai, Chairman of GIPH, and Shri. Sajeesh Parameswaran, President SNDT were present during the ceremony.**



- **Cancer awareness program was conducted at Taj Kovalam on 4th February 2023 by the students and staff of GIPH**



- Inaugural function of the MPH 6th batch was conducted with a seminar focusing on the Importance of Public Health in the current times on 13 March 2023



- GIPH celebrated World Environment Day on 5th June 2023. The deliberations on the day threw light on the hazards of plastic pollution and the need for the immediate action of all agencies to curb the public health problem



- **Dr. Chitra Grace. A represented GIPH and spoke on the importance of Environmental Health in the current times at the Researcher's Fest of University of Kerala on 26 June 2023**



- **Dr. Chitra Grace. A represented GIPH and spoke on importance of climate change and its public health burden at the Public Health conference at Chennai on 6 December 2022**



Webinars

International webinar on the scope and opportunities of Public Health was conducted on 25 July 2023

Scope and Opportunities of Master of Public Health (MPH) course

webinar

Inaugural Session Inauguration & Opening of Successful Alumni Padma Shri. Prof. Dr. A. Marthanda Pillai Neurosurgeon Former National President of IMA Keynote Address Prof. Dr. K. Rajamohan Professor, School of Health Policy and Planning (KUHS) Welcome Dr. S. S. Lal Professor & Head, Public Health Global Institute of Public Health, Trivandrum	Panel Discussion Moderator Prof. K. R. Nayar Principal, Global Institute of Public Health, Trivandrum Dr. Madhava Ram Balakrishnan Medical Officer, Vaccine Safety WHO, Geneva Mr. Vipin Yadav Founder & CEO, Sure Technologies, Geneva Prof. Dr. V. Ramankutty Professor, Global Institute of Public Health Trivandrum Dr. Monika Sawhney Asst. Prof., The University of North Carolina USA Dr. Muhammed Shaffi Medical Officer, JAM, WHO BEMO Cairo, Egypt	Question & Answer session Dr. G.K. Mini Associate Professor, Global Institute of Public Health, Trivandrum Dr. Hyfa Mohammed Ali Assistant Professor, Global Institute of Public Health, Trivandrum Dr. Lakshmi Aravindan WHO Consultant, NTEP, India Dr. Vinod Kumar V.G. WHO Consultant, NTEP, India Dr. Rinsaa Vaheed Former WHO RRT Consultant, NTEP Dr. Salman Khan Consultant, Bakti Africa Strategic Partnership Manager, Sure Technologies
Special Addresses Dr. Rajesh Divakaran Senior Risk Management Advisor UNHCR, Geneva Prof. Iyemmi Ibimina Kakulu Senior Expert UNCCD G20 Global Land Initiative, Nigeria	25th July 2023 Tuesday, 06:00 pm to 08:00pm IST For more details +91 8129 839 809 +91 8589 055 112 principal.pm41@kuhs.ac.in, lordsonj@gmail.com Scan to register https://bit.ly/mphwebinar2023	Course Introduction Dr. Chitra Grace Vice - Principal, Global Institute of Public Health, Trivandrum Vote of Thanks Mr. Jinbert Lordson Registrar Global Institute of Public Health, Trivandrum

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a. Jina Dacruz from the CDC Public Health Informatics Fellowship program gave a talk on 31 May 2023



Projects

Publications from GIPH team (2022– 23)

Journal articles



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