

## DEPARTMENT OF MICROBIOLOGY, YENEPOYA MEDICAL COLLEGE

### Report on CME on “Antimicrobial stewardship: Looking beyond resistance” held on 27/09/2019

Antibiotic resistance is a global concern. With the available armamentarium of antibiotics and also the fact that no new antibiotic molecules are in the pipeline, we are rapidly heading towards the post antibiotic era. The way out of this problem is judicious use of available resources with can be done only with stringent policies.

The programme flagged off at 9.30 am with the first speaker Dr. Rouchelle Tellis , Associate professor, Department of Microbiology, Yenepoya Medical college. She gave a brief overview of ICMR guidelines for antimicrobial stewardship.

The inaugural ceremony started at 10.15am with invocation. Dr. Vidya Pai, Head Dept of Microbiology, welcomed the gathering, followed by lighting the lamp. The Medical superintendent Dr. Padmanabha S and Dr. M.S. Moosabba, Dean, YMC were the guests of honour and both addressed the gathering. The inaugural programme came to an end with the vote of thanks delivers by Dr. Neha Haswani, Assistant professor, Dept of microbiology.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> speaker was Dr. Priya Nayak, Intensivist, Yenepoya speciality hospital. She spoke about the clinical relevance of Antibiotic susceptibility testing and MIC. The 3<sup>rd</sup> speaker was Dr. Prithvi Shetty, Associate professor, Dept of General surgery, Father Mullers Medical College. He briefed the delegates about how antimicrobial stewardship can be optimized throughout the surgical pathway. His session was marked with discussion of real life challenges and how they dealt with the same. The 4<sup>th</sup> speaker was Dr. Suchithra Shenoy, Associate professor, Dept of Microbiology, Kasturba Medical college, Mangaluru. She addressed the various challenges which we face during implementation of stewardship policies and also what strategies can be put in place to overcome the same. The last session was by Dr. Vinob Kalkoti, Industry Expert from Becton Dickinson team who appraised the delegates with the recent technological advances made by the company.

Around 160 delegates participated in the CME programme from various institutes in and around Mangalore.

The last session was followed by distribution of certificates & a sumptuous lunch served at the indoor auditorium.

