

Dr. George Cohelo Paediatric Museum *(First Paediatric Museum in Medical College)*

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In Padmashree Dr. Vithalrao Vikhe Patil Medical College Ahmednagar (Maharashtra) established a museum concerned with Paediatric subject of M.B.B.S. subject. This museum was established in 2010 in Paediatric department of medical college and dedicated to pioneer paediatrician of India- Dr. George Cohelo.

The idea and main effort of establishing such unique museum related to paediatric fraternity was Dr. Sunil Natha Mhaske - professor and head of department.

This paediatric museum contains:

1. The museum starts with information of God Dhanwantary.
2. History of paediatrics in ancient world. Kashyapa and jeevaka was the world's first paediatrician. Their work related with paediatrics especially Kumar bhrata is light house for paediatrician. Also information regarding Sushruta, Charaka, Vedas is highlighted.
3. Rhazes, first printed book of paediatrics, work related to paediatrics and other ancient literatures are put up in museum.
4. World's father figure paediatricians -Dr. Jacob John, Dr. Waldo E Nelson, world's first paediatric hospitals in USA, England are displayed here in museum with relevant information.
5. India's first Paediatric hospital-B.J. Wadia, Mumbai, first Indian paediatrician-Dr. George Cohelo, India's first Paediatric Professor- Dr. S.T. Achar, first Indian Paediatric journal pioneer-

Dr. K.C. Chaudhari are prominently displayed in this museum

6. Pioneers' and researchers related with paediatrics and vaccination are displayed with relevant information.
7. All paediatric organizations like American academy of pediatrics, Indian academy of paediatrics, National Neonatology Forum are put up with detail.
8. Paediatric subject related x-rays, ECG, EEG, CT SCAN, MRI films are displayed with information, drugs, vaccines, nutrition are also displayed in educative manner.
9. All books and journals related with paediatric are kept in museum including some of the old editions also
10. There is a unique collection of all 19 editions of Nelsons text book of paediatric along with nine editions of O. P. Ghai's book of paediatrics.
11. Specimens including abnormal newborns, all nine months intrauterine babies, child's internal organs, dissected neonates, toxicology are displayed with information.

This museum is visited by most of the medical college Paediatric subject professors, teachers and students and made statement-

- Museum is a milestone with innovative ideas, helpful for every one-Dr. Swapnali Patil, Joint Director-MSACS, Maharashtra



- Excellent admirable collection, first of its kind in subject of paediatrics-Dr. S.S. Sarwade, Professor and Head, Paediatrics, RCSM Government Medical College, Kolhapur.
- Fantastic and appreciable museum-Dr. B.R. Nilgar, Director KLE university, Belgaum, Karnataka
- Pain taking and hard work, exemplary-Dr. S. Mahadevan, Professor Paediatrics dean school of medical sciences, Pudechary
- Good work, nice display. Can give details of paediatrics both ancient and modern-Dr. Arati A. Kinikar, Professor and Head, Paediatrics, B. J. Medical College, Pune.
- Excellent work, very appreciating and with full dedication work done- Dr. Vandana Kumawat, Professor and Head, Paediatrics, Rajiv Gandhi Medical College, Kalva, Thane
- Great effort of documentation and

preservation of our history-Dr. Preeti Shan bag, Professor and Head, Paediatrics ESI-PGIMSR and MGM hospital, Mumbai.

- Very good museum, seen for the first time-Dr. L.S. Deshmukh, Professor of Neonatology, Government Medical

College, Aurangabad.

- This is the *first museum for Paediatric fraternity in India* - Col. Dr. Rakesh Gupta, Professor of Paediatrics, AFMC, Pune.

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