



Monthly Newsletter

SHIFA SPEAKS

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SHIFA INTERNATIONAL HOSPITAL ISLAMABAD RE-ACCREDITED BY JOINT COMMISSION INTERNATIONAL (JCI)

Shifa International Hospital, Islamabad (SIH) has once again achieved the Joint Commission International (JCI) accreditation during a re-accreditation survey held in Oct 2020. Speaking on the occasion, Shifa leadership lauded the rigorous efforts by the whole team and regarded the accomplishment as a reaffirmation of commitment for delivering quality healthcare by maintaining the highest standards in patient safety. JCI is the world's leader in healthcare accreditation and the author and evaluator of the most rigorous international standards in quality and patient safety. In 2017, Shifa International Hospitals Ltd (H-8/4, Islamabad) became Pakistan's 1st public limited hospital to get accredited by JCI.



Congratulations

Shifa Team for
**Joint Commission International (JCI)
Re-accreditation**





Congratulations
Glimpses of **JCIA**
Survey & Result Day Session



SHIFA INTERNATIONAL HOSPITAL HONORS FRONTLINE STAFF IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR EFFORTS AGAINST COVID-19 PANDEMIC

*Thank you
for being a*

**FRONTLINE
FIGHTER** against COVID-19

Shifa leadership recognized the efforts & contribution made by the frontline staff who were directly involved with patient care during the pandemic months. A three day event was organized to present the souvenir shields to more than 1,000 individuals from various departments. To respect & value the contribution made by the frontline fighters against COVID-19, our Safety & Security department presented them with Guard of Honor & salute.

Dr. Manzoor H. Qazi, CEO, SIH, Dr. Zeeshan Bin Ishtiaque, Medical Director, SIH, Mr. Taimoor Shah, Chief Operating Officer, SIH & senior management members lauded the efforts by the whole team for fighting the pandemic gallantly despite having their families & loved ones waiting for them at homes. The event was also graced by the presence of Mr. M. Amir Zulfikar Khan, IG, Islamabad Police, Mr. Mirvais Niaz, Director Administration FIA, & Mr. Riaz Randhawa, DG HR & D, CDA.

Dr. Manzoor H. Qazi said that "Although we recognized the efforts of the hospital frontline staff, the real reward will be given by Almighty Allah. It is because of the staff's commitment, professionalism, & dedication that we kept our heads high during the COVID-19 pandemic". Dr. Zeeshan Bin Ishtiaque & Mr. Taimoor Shah praised the committed staff, he reiterated & ensured the resolve to serve the community.

The frontline staff at Shifa was provided all Personal Protective Equipment (PPEs) & support during the pandemic despite there was a shortage of safety gear globally. The teams despite adversities and vulnerability of potential infection continued serving the patients & thus saved hundreds of lives. Some of the staff were infected during their healthcare-related activities but kept motivated to provide services to the community.



NATIONAL SPEECH & LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY DAY CELEBRATED AT SHIFA INTERNATIONAL HOSPITAL

An Awareness Seminar was held at Shifa International Hospital to highlight the efforts & importance of Speech and Language Therapists. Chief Guest Dr. Nausheen Hamid, Parliamentary Secretary for National Health Services while addressing the audience stressed the importance of treating swallowing & speech issues both in pediatrics & geriatrics.



Kashif Khan, AGM, Rehabilitation Department stated that therapists are an integral part of any rehabilitation setup. Dr. Nazia Mumtaz, President of the Pakistan Speech & Language Pathologist Association, Dr. Asad Hafeez, Chairman of the Executive Board of World Health Organization, Dr. Syed Kaleem Imam, Inspector General Motorway & Highway Police, & Mr. Abid Qayyum Sulehri, Executive Director of Sustainable Development Policy Institute also graced the occasion.

Mr. Taimoor Shah, Chief Operating Officer, SIH stated that Speech pathology is a very important discipline & the ability to communicate and connect is a key to our success & happiness. Dr. Manzoorul Haq Qazi, CEO, SIH was of the view that the day provides an opportunity to raise awareness about communication & swallowing disorders as well as the role of SLP in providing life-altering treatment.



WORLD STROKE DAY 2020 MARKED BY SHIFA INTERNATIONAL HOSPITAL

Experts emphasized the need to raise awareness about stroke risks and prevention in a seminar held at Shifa International Hospital in relevance to World Stroke Day. While addressing the occasion Chief Guest Mr. Sadaqat Ali Abbasi, Member National Assembly of Pakistan said that, he would promote stroke awareness at the mass level by all possible means that include legislation and public service messages as well.

JOIN THE MOVE MENT



Prof. Dr. Maimoona Siddiqui, HOD & Consultant Neurologist at Shifa International Hospital (SIH) and Vice President of Pakistan Society of Neurology (PSN) said on the occasion, "Stroke is a brain attack that happens when the blood supply to the brain is cut off, caused by a clot or bleeding in the brain. We know that 80% of strokes could be prevented by addressing a small number of risk factors; including hypertension, diet, smoking, lack of exercise and environment".

Dr. Raja Farhat Shoaib, Consultant Stroke Specialist at SIH said that "This year's theme on stroke day is **Join the Movement** and as part of it we are trying to create movement awareness among the general population. We have decided to add our young generation to this campaign, so we are launching a storybook for children titled "Act Fast/ How Gulabjan Survived Brain Stroke" authored by Mrs. Mahpara Farhat Raja and myself".

Dr. Zeeshan Bin Ishtiaque, Medical Director Shifa International Hospital expressed his gratitude to the chief guest and audience for their participation and presented souvenirs to the distinguished guests.



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COVID-19 VACCINE TRIAL

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A good number of people are turning up to participate in the COVID-19 Phase 3 Vaccine Trial at Shifa International Hospital. The process of recruitment is still going on.

Anyone who meets the trial criteria and is willing to volunteer can participate by contacting us.

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