

**Mahatma Gandhi Vidyamandir's Pharmacy College
Panchavati, Nashik**

**Report on
4th National Pharmacovigilance Week 2024**

Event Overview:

The 4th National Pharmacovigilance Week 2024 was celebrated from September 17 to September 23 at MGV's Pharmacy College, Nashik under the aegis of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC). This year's theme, "Building ADR Culture for Patient Safety," emphasized the critical importance of monitoring and reporting Adverse Drug Reactions (ADR) to ensure patient safety. The week featured a variety of engaging activities and competitions designed to enhance awareness among students from various programs, including D Pharm, B Pharm, M Pharm, and Pharm D. The event was conducted under the guidance of Principal Dr. S. R. Tambe and Vice Principal (Pharm D) Dr. R. A. Patil.

Venue: Auditorium Hall, MGV's Pharmacy College, Nashik

Day 1: Welcome and Inauguration (September 18, 2024)

Objective: To formally inaugurate the week and emphasize the significance of pharmacovigilance.

The event commenced with a warm welcome by Dr. Satyarthi and Dr. B.S. Jagdale, who highlighted the role of pharmacovigilance in improving healthcare outcomes. They set a positive tone for the week, encouraging students from D Pharm, B Pharm, M Pharm, and Pharm D programs to actively participate. Following the inauguration, a **Poster Competition** on the topic of ADR Reporting was held, inaugurated by Dr. Anupama Konure and Dr. Satyarthi. A total of 25 students participated, showcasing their creativity and understanding of ADR reporting through informative posters. The posters were evaluated by Dr. Mahalaxmi Mohan and Dr. Pawan Udawant, who provided constructive feedback to the participants. Activity coordinators were Ms. Y. B. Thombre, Dr. R. S. Rathod and Ms. M. S. Chothave.

Day 2: Workshop and Article Writing Competition (September 19, 2024)

Objective: To provide hands-on training in ADR reporting and foster written communication skills.

An engaging **Workshop** led by Dr. Gaurav Memane, Clinical Pharmacist, Sahyadri Hospital, Nashik focused on the technical aspects of ADR reporting. Students had the opportunity to fill out ADR forms accurately, gaining invaluable practical knowledge essential for their future careers. This hands-on session empowered them to understand the processes involved in effective ADR reporting. Activity coordinator was Mr. V. S. Khairnar.

On the same day, an **Article Writing Competition** attracted 29 participants from various programs. This competition encouraged students to express their thoughts on pharmacovigilance through writing, allowing them to showcase their research and writing skills. The articles were evaluated by Professor Vaishali Rakibe, who provided insights into effective writing practices and the importance of clear communication in healthcare. Activity coordinator was Ms. Y. B. Thombre.

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Day 3: Awareness Activities and Youth Parliament (September 20, 2024)

Objective: To promote ADR awareness through creative expressions and collaborative discussions.

On the third day, Pharm D students from the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Year performed skits and presented PPTs at Vatsalya Old Age Home and Nargis Datta Madhyamic Vidyalay. These performances emphasized the importance of ADR awareness and safety in healthcare, engaging the audience in meaningful discussions about the potential risks associated with medications.

Later in the day, a **Youth Parliament** was held, where 30 students from different programs actively participated in discussions about pressing healthcare issues, with a focus on ADR reporting. This interactive session was evaluated by Dr. Suvarna Katti and Prof. Vaishali Rakibe, who guided the students in articulating their thoughts and understanding various perspectives on the subject. Activity coordinator was Ms. M. S. Chothave.

Day 4: Quiz Competition and Fun Games (September 21, 2024)

Objective: To test knowledge of pharmacovigilance in an engaging and interactive format.

The fourth day featured a highly competitive **Quiz Competition** that challenged students' knowledge of pharmacovigilance and patient safety. In addition, fun games such as "Guess the Drug by Emoji" and "Speak for a Minute" encouraged lively participation among students from all programs. The competition was evaluated by Dr. Shubhangi Pawar and Dr. Pankaj Patil, who provided valuable feedback and encouragement, fostering a spirit of camaraderie and learning. Activity coordinator was Ms. J. R. Harle.

Day 5: Prize Distribution Ceremony and Guest Lecture (September 23, 2024)

Objective: To celebrate the achievements of participants and reinforce the week's educational themes.

The final day concluded with a **Prize Distribution Ceremony**, honouring the winners of various competitions throughout the week and recognizing the dedication of all participants from D Pharm, B Pharm, M Pharm, and Pharm D programs. This celebratory event highlighted the hard work and creativity demonstrated by students.

A **guest lecture** by Dr. Vijay Bayaskar, Associate Professor at Dr. Vasant Rao Pawar Medical College, Hospital & Research Centre, Nashik, provided an expert perspective on the importance of building an ADR culture for patient safety. Dr. Bayaskar's insights reinforced the week's theme and inspired students to take active roles in promoting pharmacovigilance practices in their future careers. Activity coordinators were Dr. R. S. Rathod, Ms. K. A. More and Ms. M. S. Chothave. The event was conducted under the guidance of Dr. S. H. Pawar.

Conclusion

The 4th National Pharmacovigilance Week at MGV's Pharmacy College was a resounding success, promoting an environment of learning, engagement, and awareness about ADR and patient safety. The

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diverse range of activities not only educated students but also fostered a culture of safety within the healthcare community.

Event Photographs:

Welcome and Inauguration:



Poster Presentation Competition:

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Workshop (Hands on session on ADR reporting)



Awareness: Skit and PPT



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Youth Parliament



Quiz Competition, Pharma Games:



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Valedictory Function



Guest Lecture (On the occasion of valedictory function)



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