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FROM EDITOR'S DESK

Dear Colleagues,

Reproductive health amongst the adolescent girls has not been adequately addressed, in the developing countries. Maintenance of good hygiene especially during menstruation is essential. Poor menstrual hygiene often leads to genital tract infection; prevalence of which is increased by anemia and undernutrition commonly encountered in menstruating girls. **Prof. S.S. Trivedi** has amply focussed on some of the issues involving adolescent girls. Besides, published in this issue, are original research papers pertaining to thyroid disorders, male infertility, diabetes and chronic kidney disorders and several interesting case reports belonging to different disciplines of medicine; An update on the use of inferior vena caval filters in preventing venous thrombo-embolism commonly observed in obstetrical practice, will be of immense value to those interested in the field.

This issue publishes a “**Symposium**” on “**Challenges of Hemodialysis in India**”. Chronic Kidney disease (CKD) is emerging a major public health problem globally. Estimated annual incidence in India is about 1.5 lac population, unfortunately over 70% patients seek nephrologist's advice only after they develop devastating consequence of End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD), when expensive renal replacement therapy (RRT) remains the only treatment option. Maintenance hemodialysis is the mainstay of RRT in India. I am grateful to **Prof. SC Tiwari**, who at a short notice, agreed to be the guest Editor of the symposium in which he has brilliantly compiled, highlighting several important aspects related to this life saving treatment modality.

I extend my thanks to several pharmaceutical firms for opting JIMSA as one of their CME promotional activity.

P. D. Gulati

JIMSA BEST PUBLISHED ARTICLE AWARDS 2011- DECLARED

The following articles have been selected for the “JIMSA Best Published Article Awards – 2011” as per ranking given below:

Rank 1: Placental Vasculocyncytial Membrane in Tobacco exposed Indian Mothers: A Quantitative and ultra structural Study. G. Rath, S. Roy, U. Goyal, A. K. Jain, A. Mukerjee

Rank 2: Breast Cancer Risk Factor Profile in Indian Women. Navneet Kaur, Amit Attam, Sudipta Saha, S. K. Bhargava.

Rank 3: Surgical Treatment of Haemorrhoids with Stapler Haemorrhoidopexy: Our Experience. Sarabjit Singh, Arun Tayal, Vineet Kaur.

Each award consists of a medal, citation and cash prize: the awardee is required to preferably receive the award at the forthcoming IMSACON 2012 on 6th & 7th October at Gulf Medical University, Ajman, UAE.

(Contact urgently Dr R K Thukral, Secretary General, IMSA, WHQ, New Delhi). In case he or she is unable to attend IMSACON 2012, he/she should intimate the editor JIMSA, accordingly.

Editor