

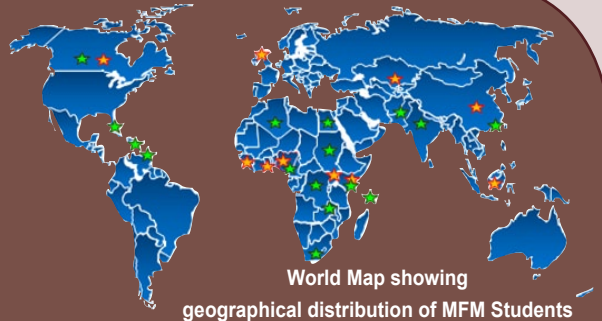
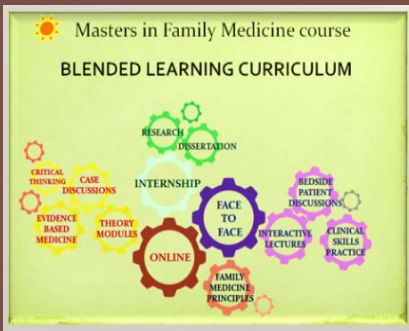
## MASTERS IN FAMILY MEDICINE

As part of the Masters in Family Medicine program team, we are glad to share the successful run of yet another face to face session during January 2016. The 2 year, part time distance learning Family Medicine course offers blended learning curriculum to equip Family Physicians from developing countries.

Masters in Family Medicine course (MFM) is run as a collaborative effort of the partners – ICMDA, University of Edinburgh, Scotland, UK and Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. The unique partnership empowers the delivery of modules based on established Family Medicine model from the UK, well adapting to the needs of developing countries by the contribution from CMC, Vellore and participation of international ICMDA facilitators.

The curriculum conforms to adult learning principles, encouraging reflective and critical thinking which helps to improve trainees' clinical practice and ethical attitude.

The program has been encouraged by the increase in number of applicants and students, during the year 2015-2016. Currently enrolled students are from varied geographical locations.



★ Batch of 2015

★ Batch of 2014

### The January 2016 face to face session:

The January 2016 session was conducted in 4 international centers.

1. Bowen University Teaching Hospital, Ogbomosh, Nigeria
2. Mengo Hospital, Kampala, Uganda
3. Harpur Memorial Hospital, Menouf, Egypt
4. Christian medical College, Vellore, India

Harpur Memorial Hospital is a new inclusion, as one of the regional centers during this year.

The face to face sessions delivered planned activities, including ...

⊗ Interactive Family Medicine principles based lectures



- ⊗ Prescription auditing
- ⊗ End of day assignments
- ⊗ Student seminars



⊗ Consultation and clinical skills practice



- ⊗ Ward postings and bedside learning
- ⊗ Case scenario discussions

The regional centers serve as the “platform for change” for the participating doctors, to strengthen their commitment to patient care and also to unite for social and ethical transformation.

**We take this opportunity to thank all the facilitators and the regional coordinators who facilitated and supported the program cause.**



### Regional and International scholarships:

- ❖ Coincidentally, the start of the Egypt center has received regional support in the form of **HOME sponsorships for Egyptian doctors**.
- ❖ The applicants can also apply for the **competitive CMVM ODL sponsorships** provided for 5 eligible distant learners by the University of Edinburgh.
- ❖ The above scholarships are available along with the **Rural Community Investment scholarship**, offered by the University of Edinburgh.

ICMDA participation at the FMPC stall, Delhi:

ICMDA, Vellore, India team also participated in exhibiting the course benefits and cause at the University of Edinburgh stall in the FMPC conference in Delhi, during November 2015. The stall received good attention from the attending delegates who were excited about the possibility of worldwide networking among Family physicians that this course can generate.

### Volunteer mentor/ supervisors for MFM course:

We are grateful to the generosity from ICMDA faculty who are willing to volunteer as mentors and / or supervisors for MFM students. We are looking forward to their participating in the course.