



BIPA and it's future vision

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About us



Established in 1995



Largest organisation for psychiatrists after RCPsych



Achieved charity status in 2016

About us

500 + members

Goal - to maximize the reach and effectiveness of social initiatives for the betterment of society.

Focus - on professional development, mental health awareness, and bridging cultural gaps in psychiatric care

Improving Undergraduate Psychiatric Education in India: The BIPA Educational Link Project

The Problem: A Gap in Psychiatric Care



- Prevalence of major psychiatric disorders in India is comparable to global rates - significant proportion of patients with mental illness remain undiagnosed
- Largely attributed to the lack of mental health history taken by GPs
- India faces a substantial deficit of psychiatrists - hindering access to specialized care.
- Variable quality of UG psychiatric education further exacerbates the issue

Project aim - To enhance UG psychiatric education

- Improving psychiatric knowledge, skills, and attitudes
- Developing a standardized psychiatric curriculum



Project Implementation

- "Train-the-trainer" workshop conducted at medical colleges in India by BIPA team.
- Equipped faculty members with tools & knowledge to deliver effective UG psychiatric education.
- Faculty collaborated with other medical schools to share curriculum materials
- Challenges such as resource constraints & competing priorities led to a temporary pause in project.

Future directions:

- Relaunch initiative to expand the project in India
- Are you a psychiatric trainee/psychiatrist/educator - passionate about improving UG psychiatric education?
- Further initiatives are being planned

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A date for your diaries

**BIPA annual conference 2025 – 5th /6th July 2025
In Birmingham**

Thank you