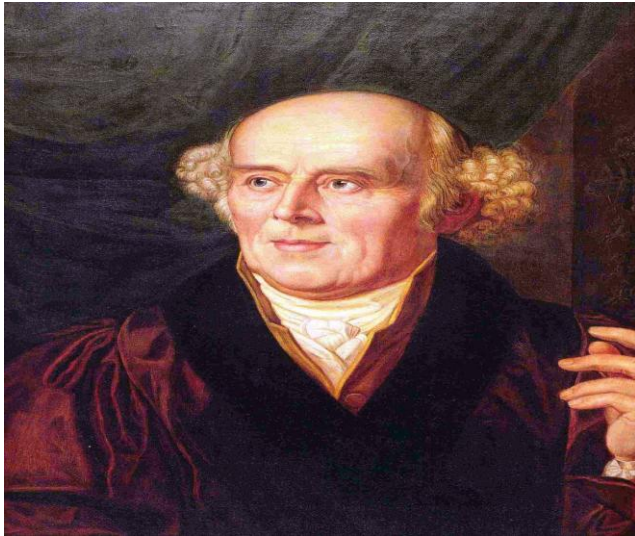


BRIEF HISTORY OF HOMOEOPATHY



Homoeopathy was discovered by a German Physician, Dr. Christian Friedrich Samuel Hahnemann (1755-1843), in the late eighteenth century. It is a therapeutic system of medicine premised on the principle, "*Similia Similibus Curentur*" or 'let likes be treated by likes'. Homoeopathy is a method of treatment for curing the patient by medicines that possess the power of producing similar symptoms in a healthy human being simulating the natural disease, which it can cure in the diseased person. Homoeopathy treats the patients not only through holistic approach but also considers individualistic characteristics of the person. This concept of 'law of similars' was also enunciated by Hippocrates and Paracelsus, but Dr. Hahnemann established it on a scientific footing despite the fact that he lived in an age when modern laboratory methods were almost unknown.

Homoeopathic medicines are prepared from traces of animal, plant, mineral and other natural substances, by a standard method called dynamisation or potentisation, which comprises of successive

dilutions and succussions to raise the inherent curative power of the drugs to maximum. The medicines thus prepared through 'potentisation', attain their potential enhanced enormously to combat ailments while at the same time absence of toxicity is assured. The medicines are usually proved in healthy human beings, to ascertain their curative properties. The system believes in the existence of a regulating force (Vital Force) in the organism, which plays a vital role during health, disease and cure. The symptoms are considered as the body's natural reaction to the illness and help to find a remedy against the illness. The remedies work by stimulating the body's defense mechanism to correct itself naturally. This therapy adopts an individualistic and holistic approach towards the sick individual. A homoeopathic doctor does not treat in the name of disease, rather the treatment is targeted against the "patient" who is suffering from a particular disease. The physician perceives all the derangements at physical and mental levels of the patient, brings about conceptual image of the patient through totality of symptoms and selects the medicine, which is most similar to the picture of the patient. Thus the dictum goes "*Homoeopathy treats the patient, and not the disease*".

Homoeopathic medicines are most cost effective, palatable, have no adverse side effects, can be administered easily. In some cases, the medicines can be prescribed on the basis of symptoms of the patients, without depending upon the cumbersome and costly diagnostic modalities. Homoeopathy has been useful in treatment of psychosomatic disorders, autoimmune diseases, geriatric and pediatric disorders, ailments during pregnancy, obstinate skin diseases, life style disorders and allergies, etc. It also has a positive role in improving the quality of life in incurable chronic diseases like cancer, HIV/AIDS, terminally ill patients and incapacitating diseases like rheumatoid arthritis, etc.

BRIEF HISTORY OF JSPSGHMC HYDERABAD

Two colleges i.e, Jaisoorya Homoeo Medical College and Potti Sreeramulu Homoeo Medical College were started in 1967 by Dr. N.Krishna Rao and Sri Moturi Hanmantha Rao under private managements. Both colleges were taken over by the government in 1972 and were merged later in 1979. The two colleges so merged were named as Dr. Jaisoorya and Potti Sreeramulu Government Homoeopathic Medical College. Earlier, diploma course was conducted from 1967 to 1978 under the Board of Indian Medicines and Homoeopathy. In 1979, the degree i.e., M.B.S (Homoeo) was started and affiliated to the Osmania University. From 1986 onwards, the college is affiliated to Dr. NTR University of Health Sciences, Vijayawada by a legislation of Government of Andhra Pradesh Medical Science Act.post bifurcation this the only Govt. homoeopathic medical college in the state of Telangana.

COURSES OFFERED:

POST GRADUATE COURSES: M.D. (Hom) in seven specialties (3 Years)

UNDER GRADUATE COURSE: B.H.M.S - Bachelor in Homoeopathic Medicine and Surgery (5 ½ Years)

POST GRADUATE COURSES:

- 1) P.G courses in Homoeopathy were started in the year 1999 in 3 Homoeopathic subjects (Materia Medica, Repertory, Organon Philosophy) and six admissions per academic year in each faculty are provided. So far 18 batches of P.G students are admitted. The admissions are given through the entrance exam. From the academic year 2015 four more PG specialties (i.e., Practice of Medicine, Pediatrics, Psychiatry and Pharmacy) with 3 seats in each specialties are introduced in our college by the Govt. of Telangana which was not materialized in unified Andhra Pradesh in spite of Govt. of India permission in the year 2012. Total number of P.G. seats 30.

UNDER GRADUATE COURSE:

In 1979, the degree i.e., M.B.S (Homoeo) was started and affiliated to the Osmania University. From 1986 onwards B.H.M.S. course was introduced by Dr. NTR University of Health Sciences, Vijayawada. Earlier under graduate course intake was only 60 per academic year from the academic year 2015 UG seats are enhanced from 60 to 100 by the Govt. of Telangana which was not materialized in unified Andhra Pradesh in spite of Govt. of India permission in the year 2012. The admission process is based on common entrance EAMCET/TSMCET conducted by the Government of Telangana under administrative control of the Commissioner, AYUSH Department.

ACCOMMODATION:

The college is built in 5 acres of land allotted by Osmania University. Each department is provided with well furnished staff room, library and Audio Visual equipment etc.

LIBRARY:

Central Library consists 16,034 books. Each department maintains its departmental library for the staff reference. No. of journals 21: Indian 16 and foreign 5. Audio visual with colour TV with built in V.C.P. Medical cassettes 80 numbers.

HOSTELS:

Boys hostel - 50 intake; Girls intake - 100 intake 30 U.Gs and 4 P.G's

CLINICAL TRAINING TO THE STUDENTS:

The PG Students attending peripheral posting at Govt. Gandhi Hospital, ENT, Sarojini Eye Hospital Mental Hospital, Chest Hospital, Niloufer Hospital etc., to impart clinical training to UG students in Medicine, Surgery, ENT, Ophthalmology, Psychiatry, Maternity, Pediatrics vide) G.O.Ms.No.2070-H&M Admn. Dept., dt. 04/11/1970,

G.O.Ms.No.819-M&H(R2) Dept., dt. 30/07/1980,3)
G.O.Rt.No.470/M&H(R1) Dept., dt. 21/03/1983.

HOSPITAL:

Teaching hospital is very much essential for imparting better clinical knowledge to the students. A well equipped 80 bedded hospital is located in the college premises. Separate wards are available for Male medical, Female medical, Pediatrics, Gynaec and Surgical patients. It is excellently catering to the needs of the society. A well equipped laboratory conducting various clinical, bio-chemical, serological, hormonal assays and other imaging procedures. The institute is serving the mankind through several social and health programmes way of conducting medical and health check up camps, distribution of preventive medicine for brain fever, chikun gunya, gastro enteritis etc., from time to time in collaboration with several Non-Governmental Organizations and Departmental of Health, Medical and Family Welfare. Several C.M.E programmes and re-orientation training programmes are being conducted to update the knowledge of Homoeopathic practitioners with the assistance of Dr. NTR University of Health Sciences and Government of India. Several old students of this college have joined in state and central health and research services and rendering service to the nation. The students have to work hard in learning noble science and propagate further. The fruits of Homoeopathy have to be carried to the nook and corner of this country. Homoeopathy needs further patronage both from government and public for its development in our country. The cost effectiveness, accessibility, affordability of the salient features of Homoeopathy, which has to be utilized for the benefits of all sections of the society.