

Following are experts from the seminar

New careers in health sector in the coming decade—with a focus on pharmacists



Mr A.K. Nasa emphasized the changing role of the pharmacists and the tremendous opportunities for pharmacists in the coming decade. He also emphasized IPGA's commitment to support pharmacists who are exploring these new career paths.

New era of Pharmacovigilance and role of the Pharmacists



Professor YK Gupta provided information about the new Pharmacovigilance Programme for India (PvPI) and the need for a large number of pharmacovigilance specialists all over India, and especially at the pharmacovigilance centers. He also mentioned about the high demand of pharmacovigilance specialists required by industry. He emphasized that there were very few such specialists and very few organizations that are able to teach pharmacovigilance effectively. He highlighted the collaboration between Uppsala Monitoring Centre to provide capacity building for PvPI—the same organization, that is also teaching

Exploring careers in Hospital and Health Management



Dr VK Singh spoke of the need for pharmacists to explore new boundaries and explained how pharmacists can become CEO's of hospitals and Directors of Health Departments. He emphasized that it is no longer the case that Doctors are expected to lead hospitals and there are several examples where the head of the hospital is not a physician. He also discussed about the opportunities in health management where government, international organizations (WHO, UNICEF, World Bank, etc) are looking for experts who have both a pharmacy and a management background.

Launching your Career with the best possible education



Professor Paul Lalvani provided a background on the academic options available at Empower School of Health which include:

- Full time and Weekend courses

students at Empower School of Health.

New Paradigms for Pharmacy Professionals



Roop Khar, who has more than 30+ years of experience in the pharmaceutical sector, spoke of the thousands

of Indian and

international opportunities for pharmacists in clinical research.

He spoke of the need for an institute that can create technically competent professionals who possess vision and leadership. He emphasized that Empower School of Health is one such institutes that was providing excellent 'holistic' education which included technical, communication and life-skills.

- Science based Clinical Research, Pharmacovigilance, Clinical Data Management courses
- Management courses in Health and Hospital Management
- UGC approved degrees, diplomas and international certifications from WHO Collaborating Centres
- Opportunities for international internships and jobs