

GUIDELINES FOR CONDUCT OF ASU-PROF. H.S.BHAT MID-TERM WORKSHOP

The ASU-Prof. H.S.Bhat Mid-Term Workshop was instituted to commemorate the doyen of Indian Urology, Professor Shashidhar Hattangadi Bhat (*Prof. H.S.B. to his contemporaries*) who established the specialty of Urology in India and was teacher and mentor to a large number of Urologists for over four decades. His humility, deep commitment to humanity and empathy for patients stood out throughout his life. He strove to pass these qualities on to his students, trainees, peers and those who sought his guidance and support during the early days of his career. He was also a strong votary of learning who acknowledged the ever-evolving nature of medical science, and exhorted urologists to continually evolve and thereby render good care to the patients who came to them.

The Workshop has been endowed with a corpus contributed from the proceeds of USICON 2012 held at Bengaluru conducted by several of his students and the Association of Southern Urologists gratefully acknowledges this generous deed. Consequently, the first formal Workshop was held at Chennai in 2013.

Objective

This objective of this Workshop is to bring to the practising Urologist and trainee with evolving knowledge in the expectation that patients would benefit from such learning. To be held annually, this programme will be unique with each year's programme focussing on one specific problem or issue in urologic practice.

Duration

The duration of the Workshop will be for one day, on the Sunday closest to the 19th of November (death anniversary of Prof. HSB) every year.

Venue

Generally, it is expected that the programme will rotate through the constituent state association of ASU. The council of ASU will evaluate applications routed through the state associations and decide on the venue. Organisations/Institutions desirous of hosting the programme will apply in the prescribed form giving necessary details. The Council of ASU will choose the venue based on the access and availability of infrastructure. A format for evaluation of the proposed venue will be available in the ASU Handbook and the ASU website.

Content

Suggestions for the topic each year will be sought from the members of ASU. The suggestions made by them will be evaluated for topicality, applicability to contemporary practice, interest it will generate among common urologists and availability of expertise. The Executive Council of ASU will make the final choice of topic for the year and inform the organisers and other members. Each year's Workshop will have a single theme and that will be explored in detail.

Faculty

The faculty for the programme will be drawn from among the institutions and urologists in the constituent states of the ASU. The selection of faculty will be based on relevant expertise in keeping with the theme for the year, communication skills and availability. The selection

shall ensure a good mix of senior and upcoming faculty so that a combination of experience and enthusiasm can enhance the quality of the CME.

No honorarium or lecturer's fees shall be paid to any faculty.

Registration

Registration will be open to anyone with interest in the subject, who wishes to attend. There shall be no registration fee, but ***pre-registration*** will be mandatory in order to enable organisers to plan logistics and make arrangements at the venue.

No accommodation shall be provided or arranged for by ASU or the local organisers. Attendees shall make their own arrangements for travel and accommodation.

CUE Course Material

A compilation of faculty presentations shall be given to the participants. The material will also be placed on the ASU website.

Credit Hours

Local organisers and ASU shall strive to obtain credit points from the respective State Medical Council for the event. These shall be available only to pre-registered delegates who have provided full particulars at the time of registration.

Sponsorship

No sponsorship shall be taken from any pharmaceutical company/device or equipment manufacturer for the same. There shall be no trade displays at the venue.

Content Planning, Schedule & Coordination

The Council of ASU shall be responsible for this activity. A sub-committee may be constituted to coordinate this activity under the supervision of the Council. In all matters, the decision of the ASU Council shall be final.

Communications

All communications pertaining to the Workshop shall be the responsibility of the Secretary of ASU. The Secretary shall also be responsible for wide dissemination of information regarding the Workshop through website placements, E-mail, social media and Newsletters of ASU and USI.

Programme Protocol

The programme shall be inaugurated at a brief ceremony, by the President of ASU (or by the senior-most member of the ASU present). Whenever a family member of Prof. H.S.B.'s family is present, he/she shall be mandatorily invited to join in the inauguration ceremony. The inauguration shall be marked by the lighting of a ceremonial lamp. The detailed protocol for the ceremony is given elsewhere.

Schedule

Inauguration	:	09.00 – 09.15 hrs
Morning session	:	09.15 – 13.00 hrs
Lunch break	:	13.00 – 13.45 hrs

Afternoon session : 13.45 – 16.30 hrs

Certificate of Participation

Certificates of participation shall be given to all registered participants who have furnished full details. Where CME Credit points have been sanctioned, the same shall be indicated on the certificates.

The certificates may be in paper form or in an electronic format mailed to the registered E-mail addresses.