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Equality, Diversity & Inclusion

Dr Indranil Chakravorty MBE

In 2023, there were nearly 265,000 NHS staff (19% of 1.5 million) who reported a non-British nationality. If one were to add ones who have acquired British nationality the numbers are considerably larger. The majority are from Asia, European Union and African countries. Yet, the experience of internationally qualified staff in the NHS is far from ideal. There is established differential treatment and attainment in every aspect of their recruitment, retention, promotion, non-mandatory training, support and disciplinary actions. It is now acknowledged that the NHS, not unlike other parts of British society and other major organisations, has a problem with deeply ingrained institutional bias.

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Latest BAPIO News

Research & Innovation Competition during BAPIO Annual Conference Attracts High Calibre Oral & Poster Presentations

On 20 September 2024, during the BAPIO Annual Conference in Bristol, BAPIO held its annual Research & Innovation Competition. The competition was open to all Doctors-in-training, Medical Students, PhD/MSc Students, Health Science EPQ Students, Clinical Fellows, MTIs, LEDs, SAS doctors and other health care professionals

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BAPIO Announces Winners of BAPIO Awards 2024

The British Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (BAPIO) announced the winners of the prestigious BAPIO awards during the BAPIO Annual Conference Gala Dinner held on 21 September 2024 in Bristol. The awards committee, headed by Prof Geeta Menon, received multiple nominations across the different award categories and after careful deliberation, awarded the awards to the following individuals

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BAPIO Annual Conference explores ideas for 'Rebuilding the NHS'

The British Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (BAPIO) held its annual conference on 20-22 September, 2024 in Bristol. The theme of the conference was 'Rebuilding the NHS'. The first day of the conference was focused on Collaborations to Rebuild the NHS, with a particular emphasis on collaborations between India and the UK.

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BAPIO Kings Lynn and QEH Educational Event: A resounding Success!

The BAPIO Kings Lynn Educational Event, held on 7 September 2024 at QEH Kings Lynn, was a resounding success, attracting healthcare professionals from across the region for an engaging and informative day. There was interesting discussion on varied subjects including academic, managerial as well as leadership issues.

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BAPIO Announces New Co-Chairs for BAPIO Young Doctors Forum

The British Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (BAPIO) is delighted to announce that, following an open application and interview process, Dr Anisha Roy and Dr Nandana Nair have been selected as the co-chairs for BAPIO Young Doctors Forum (YDF) for 2024-25.

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BAPIO congratulates Mr. Chelliah Selvasekar on his election to the Council of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh

The British Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (BAPIO) is delighted that Mr. Chelliah Selvasekar, Chair of BAPIO's North West division and a longstanding BAPIO member, has been elected to the Council of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh (RCSEd)..

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BAPIO is proud to support NHS Wales' vaccination programme for Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)

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BAPIO Honours List

Marimouttou Coumarassamy

Chairman, British Indian Nurses Association (BINA)

- Recognised by Health Services Journal as one of the top influential BAME leaders 2024

Dr Mukesh Chugh

Consultant Anaesthetist, Western Health and Social Care Trust; Chair, BAPIO Northern Ireland division

- Received a certificate of recognition from Minorities Recognition awards Northern Ireland as a Winner in the STEM, Healthcare, Transportation, Pharmaceutical (incl. R&D) category

Prof Parag Singhal

Consultant Endocrinologist, Weston Area NHS Trust; Honorary National Secretary, BAPIO; CEO, BAPIO Training Academy

- Appointed as President of The Bristol Medico-Chirurgical Society

Prof Prokar Dasgupta

Professor of Surgery, Chair in Robotic Surgery and Urological Innovation, Kings College London

- Inducted as Fellow of the Institute of Engineering and Technology (FIET) in 2024

Prof Somnath Mukhopadhyay

Chair of Paediatrics at Brighton and Sussex Medical School

- Has been invited to present a keynote lecture on "Working towards the implementation of precision Medicine in Children's Asthma and Allergy" at the 3rd Cochrane India Conclave held at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Rishikesh, India on 27 October 2024.
- Has been invited to join AIIMS Rishikesh as a Visiting Professor
- Publications
 - Ruffles et al. Visible damp in a child's bedroom is associated with increased respiratory morbidity in early life: a multicentre cohort study. Arch Dis Child. 2024 Sep 25;109(10):818-821.

Prof Vijay Kumar

Chairman of the Royal College of GP's Yorkshire; Provost, Association of Surgeons in Primary Care

- Appointed to provide advisory role to Primary care under the Ministry of health in Uzbekistan & to sign a Memorandum of Understanding in Tashkent to support & train Primary care doctors across the centres in the UK in November 2024

Upcoming Events



BRITISH INDIAN NURSES ASSOCIATION (BINA) ANNUAL CONFERENCE
FRIDAY, 29 NOVEMBER, 2024
VENUE: RACECOURSE, LEICESTER, LE2 4AL

CONFERENCE THEME: OUR WORKFORCE, OUR FUTURE: THRIVING WITH EXCELLENCE

OUR SPEAKERS

 CEO NHS Employers	 CEO Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health NHSFT	 CEO West England	 CEO NHS Wales	 CEO NHS West of England Observatory	 DEPUTY CEO West England
 Chief Nurse Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust	 CEO University Hospitals of Coventry and Warwickshire	 DIRECTOR OF STRATEGY DEPUTY CEO Barnet	 CHIEF NURSE University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust	 CHIEF NURSE Guy's and St. Thomas NHS Foundation Trust	

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RCPCH Hot topics and BAPIO Gala dinner
26th March, 2025
Glasgow

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BAP10 wishes all its members and their families a very Happy Diwali. May the year ahead be full of joy, good health and success.