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The BAPIO Newsletter

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General Election 2024



Editorial

Politics of Health & Social Care – What must we expect from the new Government?

Dr Indranil Chakravorty MBE

We are fortunate to be in a democracy where, (to a large extent) there is the power that the 'people' can wield over their political masters where there is a real choice in electing who should represent them in forming the new government. In the cycle of governments changing, health and social care makes it into the top 5 issues that we the people care about.

The others are the economy, immigration, crime, living standards and the environment. The 2024 general election is no different. However, the relative strengths of each of these top issues can vary between the different parties vying for popular votes and in different parts of the country, determined largely by demographics, impact of local issues and to some extent personalities of those who have national profiles.

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Latest BAPIO News



BAPIO invited to be on the Expert Advisory Group of the RCOG Race Equity Project

BAPIO President Dr. Ramesh Mehta met Dr. Raneer Thakar, President RCOG, and Ms. Carley Edwards, Executive Director for Education and Quality at the College premises on 4th April 2024 to discuss collaboration between the two organisations.

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BAPIO YDF holds a very well-attended National MERiT Conference

The British Association of Physicians of Indian Origin – Young Doctors' Forum (BAPIO YDF) held its annual National Merit Conference in Manchester on April 20, 2024.

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Popular BAPIO Gala Dinner at the RCPCH Annual Conference 2024

BAPIO Paediatric Forum hosted a very successful gala dinner on 25 March 2024 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Birmingham during the annual conference of the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health (RCPCH)

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BAPIO Hosted a Successful 'Hot Topics in Paediatrics' session during RCPCH conference

On the first day of the Annual RCPCH conference (25 March 2024), the British Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (BAPIO) showcased an academic session on Hot Topics in Paediatrics.

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News from Divisions and Forums

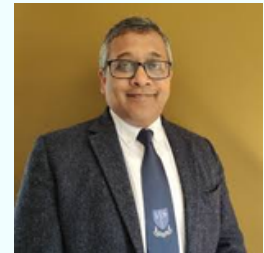
Bapio Womens Forum

Over the last 3 months, the BAPIO Women's Forum conducted a survey of its members to get insight into their issues, concerns and opportunities. There were a total of 56 responses. The results have been submitted to the BAPIO annual conference as an abstract and the BAPIO Women's Forum hope to share the detailed analysis with you all soon.



South Central Division

A webinar on 'The Role of Physician Associates in the NHS' was held on the 19th of June. The meeting was chaired by Dr Ken Laji, consultant physician at Chichester.



Prof Indranil Chakravorty

It opened with a talk on 'Impact of Medical Associate Professions on the NHS Healthcare Workforce – Challenges, Opportunities and Lessons' by Dr Indranil Chakravorty, consultant physician at St Georges Hospital London. His talk was a very frank discussion of the problems, recognising all the different strands pervading the subject. It was refreshing to note that he did not mention his own opinion on the subject enabling the audience to make up its own mind. This was followed by some difficult questions, all of which were answered with clarity and honesty. The second talk was given by Adam Skeen, who was a PA but currently is a medical student at Birmingham University. It was an extremely balanced talk discussing all aspects of being a PA and training as a doctor. It is well worth listening to the recorded version, available by emailing baksi@baksi.co.uk.

A memorable quote at the webinar: "All of them talk about patient safety as a priority but never consider it when planning."

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The Association of Physician Associates

2 CPD points

BAPIO SC CPD EVENT
THE ROLE OF PHYSICIAN ASSOCIATES
IN THE NHS

Webinar

WEDNESDAY, 19TH JUNE,
7PM TO 9PM

Open to All

Speakers

Dr Indranil Chakravorty
Consultant Physician, St
George's Hospital,
London

Mr Adam Skeen
A former Physician
Associate. Now, a 3rd
year medical student,
Birmingham

Please send email to baksi@baksi.co.uk for
programme, to register, stating name,
designation, and place of work.

Prior registration is necessary. Questions in
advance only are welcome.

Wales Division

BAPIO Wales Division organised a symposium on tackling waiting times in NHS Wales on the 1st of June 2024. Prof Hasmukh Shah BEM, Secretary BAPIO Wales, and Prof Keshav Singhal CBE, Chair BAPIO Wales felt that Welsh NHS problems needed innovative solutions given the increasing waiting time for routine/emergency appointments for outpatients and surgery.

More than 100 delegates attended the Symposium to hear the presentations given by 11 Consultants regarding the possible solutions in their specialty to improve waiting times. Round table discussions also took place with contributions from all those present including patients.

The results are being compiled with high-level recommendations to be presented to Wales Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care, Baroness Eluned Morgan MS for immediate consideration.



Prof. Hasmukh Shah
BEM



Prof. Keshav Singhal
CBE



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Blogs

Medical Defence Shield

Medical Defence Shield Good Medical Practice Updates Webinar

This year the General Medical Council (GMC) published updates to the Good Medical Practice. These guidelines set professional standards to help you care for patients and collaborate with colleagues.

Medical Defence Shield presented a live webinar exclusively for their members earlier this month. The session was presented by Rachel Ball, Regional Liaison Advisor with the General Medical Council (GMC).

Rachel discussed the purpose and structure of the guidelines and explained the key changes. After the main presentation, Rachel opened the floor for attendees to ask questions which were answered by Rachel as well as the legal experts from MDS.

We have summarised these changes in a concise format to give you a brief introduction to the themes and purpose of the updates.

The Five Key Themes

Good Medical Practice (GMP) focuses on encouraging a standard quality of behaviours and values for Healthcare professionals. The GMP aims to support good team work, ensure everyone feels safe to speak up, and empowers doctors to provide quality care.

In particular, the GMC identified five key themes to inform the updates:

- Create respectful, fair and compassionate workplaces for colleagues and patients.
- Promote patient centred care.
- Tackle discrimination.
- Champion fair and inclusive leadership.
- Support continuity of care and safe delegation



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BAPIO Honors List

Dr. Aakanksha Chhabra

- Presented a study conducted at Southend Hospital, on impact of COVID on poisoning in children, at the RCPCH Conference 2024.

Prof Chakravarthi Rajkumar

- Has been granted the GAPIO Distinguished Fellow award in 2024.

Dr. Danny Darlington Carbin

- Appointed to editorial roles at the World Journal of Urology and Cureus Journal
- Publications:
 - Carbin DD et al, *Robotic excision of a giant seminal vesicle cyst*, Curr Urol 2024;00(00):00–00.
 - Carbin DD et al, *Outcomes of robot-assisted radical prostatectomy in men after trans-urethral resection of the prostate: a matched-pair analysis*, Journal of Robotic Surgery (2024) 18:158
 - Carbanara U et al, *Predictors Of Biochemical Recurrence After Robot-Assisted Radical Prostatectomy: Single-Center Analysis*, Cent European J Urol. 2024
- Chaired session on 'Leadership and Conflict resolution' at IBUS Annual Meeting in Liverpool, UK in May 2024

Dr. Maharukh Daruwala

- Appointed as Fellow of the Chartered Management Institute (UK) (FCMI)

Dr. Miran Pankhania

- Paper presentation at CEORL-HNS 2024 - Dublin (Congress of European Otorhinolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery) titled - The Lund-Mackay Score as a Training Management Tool for Endoscopic Sinus Surgery.

Prof. Mahendra G Patel

- Part of the teams behind the PRINCIPLE and PANORAMIC clinical trials, which were awarded the prestigious Prix Galien Best Public Sector Innovation Award 2024 for their work in conducting innovative, large-scale clinical trials during the COVID-19 pandemic. The [Prix Galien](#) is considered the equivalent of the Nobel Prize in biopharmaceutical research.
- Publication: Salisbury et al, *The BMJ commission on the future of the NHS: A manifesto for a healthier NHS, a healthier UK*, BMJ 2024;385:q1307
- Keynote presentation: Medical Association of Nigerians across GB (MANSAG) Educational Symposium May 2024 - Promoting innovations in healthcare
- Presentation: 3rd Paediatric Academic day conference *What Every Paediatrician and others should know and do about health inequality*

Dr. Nandini Chakraborty

- Publications
 - Chakravorty, I. et al, *Impact of the proposed closure of the NHS practitioner mental health programme for doctors and managers in secondary care*. The Physician vol 9; Issue 1: 1-6
 - Tiffin P et al, *The validity of the selection methods for recruitment to UK core psychiatry training: cohort study*, BJPsych Bulletin (2024)
- Appointed as volunteer panellist for a Hate Crime Scrutiny panel in Leicestershire Police

Dr. Sunil Kumar

- Keynote speaker at the 3rd International Lifestyle Medicine Conference last week hosted by the Ministry of Health, Saudi Arabia

BAPIO Family



Upcoming Events

Musical Tribute to Lata Mangeshkar

6 July 2024
London



XII Midyear Conference Of GAPIO

15-16 July 2024
Antigua And Barbuda

BAPIO Annual Conference

20-22 September 2024
Bristol



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