

IMET2000-PAL NEWSLETTER

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IMET2000 Holds another Four Training Sessions for Healthcare Professionals on Using Respirators (UCL CPAP) in Palestine

In continuation of its support of the Palestinian Health Ministry in combatting the COVID-19 crisis in the form of 15 ventilators, IMET2000-PAL has organised another 4 training sessions in cooperation with the Medical Aid Society for Palestinians, the British Consulate and the Palestinian Ministry of Health on using the provided CPAP machines at Hebron. It was titled:

University College of London (UCL) CPAP Ventura Breathing Aid for COVID-19 Patients Training

The training sessions took place during the month of November and were attended by approximately 40 healthcare professionals from various hospitals in Palestine, making IMET2000 one of the main contributors to the Palestinian health sector.

The trainings covered everything needed to successfully treat coronavirus patients with the CPAP machines, ranging from putting them together to directing airflow. This was combined with training in various expected scenarios to create an effective training session.



10 Nov. 2020



4 Nov. 2020



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IMET2000 Holds a Training Workshop on Airway Management and the Principles of Artificial Respiration

In league with IMET2000's vision to improve the medical sector in Palestine, IMET2000 held a workshop for nurses working in intensive care. The workshop was done in cooperation with the Palestine Medical Complex in Ramallah and with guidance from the Palestinian Ministry of Health. It covered the methods of airway management using artificial respirators and ventilators, and was titled:

Airway Management Training for Nurses: Oxygenation and Ventilation of COVID-19 Patients

It was held on the 11th of November 2020 and was attended by 15 nurses. The workshop opened with a few words of thanks to IMET2000 from Mrs Ibtisam Shaquor, the Director of Nursing at the complex, where she highlighted the importance of this training especially within the Coronavirus pandemic.

Next was a few words from IMET2000's representative Mr. Fady Zaben, where he outlined the charity's aims and goals in improving the medical sector, and described some of the educational opportunities presented by IMET2000 and its future. The workshop was ran by Professors Muhammad Abu Rajab and Saleh Abu Lafah and they gave detailed explanations on the process of patient evaluation, the priorities when one treats patients in a variety of scenarios, and the creative and logical thinking staff would need to carry out, to solve any difficulties that arise. They then touched on how to provide care for more serious cases using the UCL CPAP respiratory machines provided by IMET2000.

After the training, the participants thanked the association for the extremely informative courses and activities provided.



IMET2000 Organised Two Basic Life Support Training Workshops This November

As part of our training projects particularly during this pandemic, we have Organised two BLS training workshops for doctors and nurses in basic life support skills for governmental and non-governmental hospitals. The first training took place in Dura governmental hospital for 10 health care professional and the second one in Ramallah for another 10 health care professionals from different hospitals, training this time came under the title:

“Critical Core Training: “Basic Life Support (BLS) Training with COVID-19 patients for Doctors and Nurses”

Which were run on behalf of IMET2000 by licenced trainers from the Arab American University.



8 Nov. 2020



22 Nov. 2020

IMET2000 Supports Medical Professionals Specialising in Occupational Therapy

IMET2000 in cooperation with the Arab American University, has presented student Ameer Shakir Jallad with a scholarship to study a bachelor's degree in occupational therapy. This scholarship will last for 4 years (2020-2024), and after it ends, Ameer will receive an already prepared job in the Jasmine Charitable Society as an occupational therapist. A contract of cooperation was signed by IMET2000 (represented by Mr Fadi Zaben), the Jasmine Charitable Society (represented by Mr Omar Al-Ameen) and Ameer Jallad in the IMET2000-PAL office. Occupational therapy has an importance in improving people's lifestyles and general health through targeted programmes and activities. In fact, one of the main goals of occupational therapy is helping people who have special needs to get their day-to-day work done safely and with ease. This scholarship was given as a form of support for the Jasmine Charitable Society as a response to their urgent need for occupational therapists



IMET2000 Grants a New Scholarship in Psychiatric Training

IMET2000 has granted Dr Mamoun Bsaila a scholarship to train in child mental health. This will include 5 years of training in Jordan before he comes to the UK for 1-2 years of fellowship in child psychiatry. On completion of this long journey, Dr Mamoun will return to his home town of Hebron as the first child psychiatrist trained to such a high level.

Here is Dr Mamoun in his first week of training and a little about him and the scholarship from his perspective:

“My name is Mamoun Basila. I’m from Hebron, Palestine. In 2014, I graduated from Cairo University in Egypt as a general doctor. Since then, I have been working as a general practitioner. When I was a child, I was thinking a lot about how I could help my society in my way, because being under the control of the occupation, we face a lot of pressure and hardships every day in our life. Therefore, I decided to choose a specialty that would help people in Palestine. IMET2000 gave me that opportunity. When I first saw the announcement of the scholarship, I immediately thought of applying to it as I was always amazed at how fascinating our mind is, and how psychiatry as a specialty will help me to understand human brains deeply. In addition to the fact that Palestine needs more psychiatrists, it does not have so many doctors in this specialty. Also, I believe it is an important field that requires a deep understanding of physical and mental health. Traumatized patients with mental issues are increasing at a steady rate due to our occupation with only a few doctors to help with such cases. I always wanted to raise awareness about this particular problem and to link it with so many organic diseases that we do not usually find an evident cause to them but a psychiatric condition. I believe that through this scholarship, I will be able to expand my knowledge and to help my people the way I always wanted. Thanks to IMET2000, I will always be grateful for them to give me such an opportunity”



Dr Mamoun Bsaila