ORAL & MAXILLOFACIAL FACIAL SURGERY

OBJECTIVES

The training program in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery is structured to achieve the following four objectives

- Knowledge
- Skills
- Attitude
- Communication skills and ability

KNOWLEDGE:

1. To have acquired adequate knowledge and understanding of the etiology, pathophysiology and diagnosis, treatment planning of various common oral and maxillofacial surgical problems both minor and major in nature
2. To have understood the general surgical principles like pre and post surgical management particularly evaluation, post surgical care, fluid and electrolyte management, blood transfusion and post surgical pain management
3. Understanding of basic sciences relevant to practice of oral and maxillofacial surgery
4. Able to identify social, cultural, economic, genetic and environmental factors and their relevance to disease process management in the oral and maxillofacial region
5. Essential knowledge of personal hygiene and infection control, prevention of cross infection and safe disposal of hospital waste keeping in view the high prevalence of hepatitis and HIV.

SKILLS:

1. To obtain proper clinical history, methodical examination of the patient, perform essential diagnostic procedures and order relevant laboratory tests and interpret them and to arrive at a reasonable diagnosis about the surgical condition
2. To perform with competence minor oral surgical procedures and common maxillofacial surgery, to treat both surgically and medically (or by other means of the oral and maxillofacial and the related area)
3. Capable of providing care for maxillofacial surgery patient.

ATTITUDE:

1. Develop attitude to adopt ethical principles in all aspects of surgical practice, professional honesty and integrity are to be fostered. Surgical care is to be delivered irrespective of the social status, caste, creed or religion of the patient
2. Willing to share the knowledge and clinical experience with professional colleagues
3. Willing to adopt new techniques of surgical management developed from time to time based on scientific research which are in the best interest of the patient
4. Respect patient’s right and privileges, including patients’ right to information and right to seek a second opinion.
5. Develop attitude to seek opinion from an allied medical and dental specialists as and when required.

COMMUNICATION SKILLS

1. Develop adequate communication skills particularly with the patients giving them the various options available to manage a particular surgical problem and obtain a true informed consent from them for the most appropriate treatment available at that point of time
2. Develop the ability to communicate with professional colleagues
3. Develop ability to teach undergraduates