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WORKSHOP ON QUALITATIVE AND MIXED METHODS RESEARCH

Department of Community Medicine

Learning Outcomes:

- Demonstrate foundational knowledge of qualitative research along with awareness of recent advancements in the field.
- Apply independent and critical thinking to the design, conduct, and evaluation of qualitative research.
- Engage in reflective practice through hands-on activities that enhance understanding and application of qualitative inquiry.

Why this Course?

Amidst the growing influence of Artificial Intelligence and the pressure to publish driven by accreditation demands, where technological appeal and publication counts often take precedence, this workshop aims to reposition human insight and patient- and community-centered care at the heart of qualitative research. Our goal is to help young health professionals reconnect with their patients and communities, engage in meaningful, problem-solving research, and publish scholarly change-management projects where they matter most.

Course Philosophy:

The course adopts a constructivist approach, wherein understanding will be collaboratively built through dialogue and interaction between facilitators and participants.

Duration and Mode:

Five-day in-person course

Intended Participants:

Early/Mid-carrier professionals/Masters/PhD level students across all Health **Professions/Programmes**

Apply Now: 25 participants will be selected on a first come, first served basis.

Workshop Schedule

03.02.2026 - 07.02.2026 (09:00 AM -04:15 PM)

Day	Theme	Discussion focus
Day 1	Introduction, Designs that bridge Theory Practice Gaps	Introduction to Qual, Discoveries and Principles of Participatory Action Research, PRA tools and techniques
Day 2	Systematic Techniques	Cultural Domain Analysis (Free list and Pile sort), KWIC Analysis, Observations
Day 3	In-depth Techniques	Group Techniques, Interviews and Transcription
Day 4	Making Meanings and Seeking Insights	Manual and Software Assisted QDA, Credibility and Transferability in Qual Research
Day 5	Mixed Methods, Ethics and Reporting	Mixed Methods, Ethical issues, Pitfalls and Reporting

Facilitators:

- Dr. Amol Dongre (Course Lead, Prof of Comm Med)
- Dr. Pradeep Deshmukh (Dean Research at AIIMS, Nagpur)

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venue will be provided

REGISTRATION DETAILS

Venue: Sri Manakula Vinayagar Medical College and Hospital, Puducherry

Accomadation: Participants will need to arrange their own

Transport: Local transport from Puducherry town to