

**National Workshop on
Assessment Methods for Learning Evaluation
in Basic Medical Sciences**



**Departments of Basic Medical Sciences
All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS)
22-24 September 2008**

Aim

**Dissemination of methods of application of objective
tools for learning assessment in basic medical sciences**

Objective

**To train participants in the preparation and use of Multiple Choice Questions,
Objectively Structured Practical Examination & Short Answer Questions for
assessment of learning with formative and summative needs**

Target Participants

Faculty Members of Medical Colleges

Registration Fees [payable on selection]

INR 2500/- Up to 7 August 2008

INR 4000/- 8 to 31 August 2008

Last date of receipt of applications

30 June 2008

Evaluation of learning is an integral component of an education system. An evaluation program is significantly effective when appropriate techniques and tools for assessment are applied. The assessment methods most commonly used are written (theory) and practical examinations. In a written examination, questions are usually of Essay type, Short Answer (SAQs) type, or Multiple Choice (MCQs) type. Practical examinations are either individual full length practical exercises or multiple stations of objectively structured practical examinations (OSPEs). Some of these assessment tools are inherently subjective, while the rest of them may be applied with a great degree of objectivity. No method of assessment can, however, be intrinsically flawless. Therefore, it is perceivable that an evaluation system based on available tools and techniques of assessment be improvised such that it becomes highly objective, reliable and valid, contributes towards quality and efficacy of an assessment system and thus has direct bearing on the performance of students. The development of a valid and reliable evaluation program is the primary responsibility of teachers. Unfortunately, postgraduate programs of most medical colleges of India do not train resident doctors, the teachers and examiners of tomorrow, in the basic concepts of medical education. It is imperative that teachers engaged in teaching in medical colleges receive proper training towards creating, applying, analyzing and improving objective methods of learning evaluation. This constitutes the basis of the proposed workshop.

The workshop aims at imparting 'hands-on' training for creating, applying, analyzing, and improving objective assessment tools like MCQs, OSPEs and SAQs in basic medical sciences through intensive training sessions spread over three days, to a group of selected participants. On a daily basis, following sensitization plenary sessions by experts, the participants will be divided into small groups and actively engaged in the 'hands on' sessions facilitated by dedicated resource persons. Each group will be provided with an opportunity to present their 'product' to the whole house consisting of participants, facilitators, resource persons and experts for an interactive discussion and comments on the same.

The participants shall receive an AMLE kit containing relevant reading material, contents of plenary sessions, sample questions, instructions for group work, contact details of participants and resource persons along with web links that will be of help during the course of the workshop and thereafter for applying the knowledge and skills acquired in their respective specialties and in their own niche using their own infrastructure.

Application Form for AMLE.AIIMS 2008

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Name:

Age: Sex:

Designation:

Department:

Institution/College:

Complete Address:

Accommodation required: Yes: No:
[Only for selected participants on advance payment of INR. 1,000/- by Bank Draft]

Tel. no: Mobile: Other

Fax no:

Email address:
[Mandatory]

Statement of purpose: Why do you wish to attend this workshop?
[Not more than 200 words. Please attach a separate sheet]

Applicant's Signature Signature [Head of the Department]

Date: Seal

Send duly filled in Application forms to:
Dr. Anjana Talwar, Organizing Secretary, Department of Physiology, All India Institute of
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