HIGHLIGHTS AT A GLANCE



Dr M.M.A. Faridi has advanced training in Neonatology from University of Illinois, Chicago, USA, and is Dean Emeritus, Faculty of Medicine, Era University Lucknow. Decorated with **State Award** by Government of NCT Delhi, Dr Faridi has worked as Director Professor and Head, Department of Pediatrics, and I/C Division of Neonatology, University College of Medical Sciences and GTB Hospital Delhi before holding the current position and has more than 40 years of teaching/training experience in the reputed medical institutions in India and Nepal.

Prof Faridi has been a National Resource Person to Government of India, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, National Aids Control Organization, ICMR, MCI, Periodic Safety Update Record (PSUR) Committee, Food & Drug Administration; Ministry of Women and Child Development, National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development; University Grants Commission; Indian Council of Medical Research; Government of Delhi; Government of Rajasthan; WHO; UNICEF; International Baby Food Action Network; USAID; Plan India; Care India; Norway India Partnership (NIPI), GFATM and Alive & Thrive.

He is associated with Breastfeeding Promotion Network of India for last 20 years and has been a part of the curriculum committee which designed and developed the 4-in-1 IYCF Counseling Training Course.

Prof Faridi has been invited as Infant & Young Child Feeding Counseling (IYCF) Consultant/Course Director by the UNICEF and WHO to Ministry of Public Health, Timor-Leste; Consultative Meeting on finalization of WHO Infant and Young Child Feeding Course for Master Trainers at Philippines; Ministry of Population and Public Health, Yemen; Ministry of Health, Afghanistan and Ministry of Public Health,

Maldives. He has vast faculty experience of T-O-T in IYCF Counseling and has trained Master Trainers, IYCF Counseling Specialists, Middle Level Trainers of IYCF Counseling, Infant Feeding & HIV Counselors and Community Health Workers from Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh, Maldives, Sri Lanka, Philippines, Laos PDR, Iran, Afghanistan, Timor-Leste and Yemen besides in many states of India.

Prof Faridi has published two textbooks entitled 'Neonatology Practice Made Easy' in 2013 and 'Textbook of Pediatrics' in 2015. He is Member Writing Group on the "evidence based neonatal care practices-breastfeeding for term (2010) and preterm infants (2019)". He has guided 90 postgraduate students for theses research work.

Prof Faridi has excellent academic record. It can be judged by the fact that he has more than 3000 citations and an h-index of 34 to his credit. He is a Reviewer to 36 International and National journals including Vaccine, Human Vaccine & immunotherapeutics, Journal of Pediatric Infectious Diseases, BMC Pediatrics, American Journal of Infection Control and Indian Pediatrics to name a few. He is also Associate Editor, Human Vaccine & Immunotherapeutics and Section Editor of Case Reports-Pediatrics. Having membership of prestigious academic bodies, he is a Fellow of Indian Academy of Pediatrics (FIAP) and National Neonatology Forum of India (FNNF) and WHO Course Director of Infant & Young Child Feeding Counseling Course.

Dr Faridi organized a national meeting in 2022 to develop guidelines on IYCF under the IAP IYCF Chapter and was convener of the committee on complementary feeding. His team will shortly submit recommendations of complementary feeding.