

Narayana Health, Boston Children Hospital host session on Vascular Anomalies

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In an effort to create awareness and to provide insights about Vascular Anomalies and to develop innovative ways to manage it, Narayana Health City, Harvard Medical School and Boston Children Hospital jointly organized a symposium. Titled "Vascular Anomalies 2030: India" the two day knowledge sharing session was inaugurated by Dr. Devi Shetty, Chairman and Executive Director, Narayana Health and Dr. Kiran Mazumdar Shaw, CMD, Biocon in the presence of Dr. Steve Fishman, Co-Director, VAC, Harvard Medical school and Dr. Paul C Salins, Medical Director-Mazumdar Shaw Medical Centre & Head Craniomaxillofacial Surgery, Narayana Health City.

Addressed by international and national experts the symposium illustrated the need for convergence of multiple specialties in medicine and advanced engineering specialties to successfully address vascular anomalies. It highlighted how emerging cutting edge technologies like sirolimus, 3D printing, telemedicine and artificial intelligence can help in the condition. The event also witnessed a hack clinic wherein the participants were given an opportunity to interact with some of the foremost global experts from engineering, meditech entrepreneurs, representatives from Boston Children's Hospital and Harvard Medical School. Participants witnessed unique success stories and case studies.

Speaking at the event, **Dr. Devi Shetty, Chairman and Executive Director, Narayana Health,** said, "Continuous learning is critical for individual as well as organizational growth. Platforms like this present an excellent opportunity for practitioner to learn and adopt the best practices from across the world. It also opens up their mind towards research and development."

"Vascular Anomalies is prevalent worldwide. However, many are unaware of the condition, and how to manage it especially in the developing countries. In fact, half of the critical cases get misdiagnosed and mistreated. By providing a platform to exchange knowledge Narayana Health has taken a step forward to make the world aware of vascular anomalies and how it can be treated." said **Dr. Steve Fishman, Co- Director, VAC Harvard Medical school**

Vascular anomalies are vessel abnormalities that affect the capillaries, veins, arteries and lymphatics either individually or as a combined lesion. As the condition impacts the blood supply it often has devastating impact on the person's life.

"Compartmentalization is obsolete in today's world. Collaboration is the need of the hour. Effective management of complex conditions like vascular anomalies calls not only for evolved medical interventions, it requires a collaboration of engineering, medicine and art." said, Dr. Paul C Salins, Medical Director- Mazumdar Shaw Medical Centre & Head Craniomaxillofacial Surgery, Narayana Health City.

A platform for assimilation and sharing of knowledge, the event saw active participation from more than **150** participants comprising of Surgeons, radiologists, neurointerventionalist, pediatricians, pediatric surgeons, general practitioners, ENT surgeons, engineers and entrepreneurs from across the country and World.