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1mg, Seekify, HSSC to launch COVID-19 vaccination skills training programme

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To provide adequate skills training to healthcare professionals



1mg has partnered with Seekify, an upskilling platform and Healthcare Sector Skill Council (HSSC) to launch a programme to provide adequate skills training to healthcare professionals (medical students, nursing students, pharmacists, phlebotomists, etc) in the administration of COVID-19 vaccination.

With the acute pressure on the existing healthcare infrastructure and professionals, there is an immediate need to prepare a second line of inoculators among allied health professionals. A series of noteworthy decisions have recently been taken by the central government in this regard.

Speaking about this, Dr Thomas Davis, Director of Standards and Industry Engagement, Health Sector Skill Council said, “There is an urgent need to expand the pool of trained vaccinators in the country. Given the strain on our healthcare infrastructure, this initiative will help in training thousands of healthcare workers and preparing them in the fight against COVID-19.”

Dr Varun Gupta, SVP, Medical Affairs, 1mg, said, “Post completion of these training modules, candidates would have to undergo an assessment by the Health Sector Skill Council and only successful candidates will be issued certification from HSSC and 1mg. 500 healthcare workers have already been trained under this programme, 1mg aims to train 10,000 professionals by collaborating with medical, nursing, and pharmacy colleges.”