

ICC's virtual session calls for CDSS implementation across India

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Discussions were held on the cost of CDSS and the need for widespread adoption



Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC), recently organised a virtual session under #ICCHHealthcareInitiatives focusing on Clinical Decision Support System (CDSS). The session delved into the importance of evidence-based medicine and to initiate a dialogue around the successful utilisation of the Clinical Decision Support System (CDSS). Chaired by Dr Ramakant Deshpande, Executive Chairman Asian Cancer Institute; Member, ICC National Healthcare Committee; the event, was attended by renowned clinicians and experts from the healthcare Industry.

Dr Ramakant Deshpande, reiterated the need for elevating healthcare delivery in India through digital support tools, to ensure better patient outcomes.

Dr Sanjeev Singh, Medical Director, Amrita Institute of Medical Sciences, highlighted the need for interventions like CDSS, which is poised to be a game-changer in the way we deliver healthcare in India.

Dr K Madan Gopal believes while creating digital health IDs is a much-needed initiative from the government, efforts need to be made with regards to medical errors.

According to Prof Dr Suptendra Nath Sarbadhikari, Fellow International Academy of Health Sciences Informatics Expert, Roster for Digital Health -WHO, there is a lack of awareness and adoption of technology to ensure proper health in smaller cities and remote areas of the country.

Harish Ramachandran, Country Manager, Clinical Effectiveness, Wolters Kluwer, India, highlighted the role of technology in ensuring access to healthcare for all. He went on to add that CDSS ensures both - value for the care team and improved patient outcomes. As technology continues to evolve, it plays a crucial role in providing easy accessibility of healthcare to even the remotest areas. The idea is to enable clinicians to make a quicker and effective diagnosis point of care. UpToDate, by Wolters Kluwer, is an information dashboard that is authored and verified by specialists and clinicians.

"CDSS come at an advanced stage, the basic stage requires to have a robust EHR system in place. The challenge is that there is illiteracy among doctors," added Dr Geetika Madan Patel, Governing Body Member & Medical Director, Parul University; Member, ICC National Healthcare Committee.

Dr Joy Chakraborty, COO, P.D. Hinduja Hospital & MRC, said "There is a need for plummeting the cost of CDSS, to drive widespread adoption, driving clinical effectiveness."