

Khyber Medical College Alumni Association of North America (KMCAANA)

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Khyber Medical College Alumni Association of North America (KMCAANA) is one of the oldest alumni component of APPNA. It represents the graduates of Khyber Medical college in North America. Khyber Medical college is located in the historical city of Peshawar, the capital of Khyber Pukhtunkhwa. Khyber Medical College was established in in 1954 with its first class graduating in 1960.

Khyber Medical College graduates have served in different fields of medicine all over the world and are known for their contribution to the society as physician leaders. Graduates of Khyber Medical College were among the founders of APPNA. Many of our graduates have served at the highest levels in APPNA and are credited with pioneering land mark APPNA initiatives.

KMCAANA has provided the largest platform of activities for KMC graduates in North America over the last several decades. Following is a snap shot of some of the recent activities. Our engagement with Khyber Medical College (KMC) administration and faculty has continued and has become stronger with time.

KMCAANA also represents graduates of Ayub Medical College, Abbottabad, KPK, who are currently practicing in USA.

Our ongoing KMC and completed KMCAANA projects include:

- We now support 22 deserving KMC students for an annual scholarship of Rs. 45,000 each.
- Establishment of an \$80,000 endowment fund. The dividends to be used solely for sponsoring need based scholarships at KMC.
- KMCAANA has an additional \$30,000 as an endowment fund with APPNA. Dividends from this fund shall support two KMC students.
- A well-equipped BLS (Basic Life Support) and first aid lab was established at KMC benefiting medical students, faculty and other first responders including police and ambulance staff.
- BLS certificate is now mandated for all 4th year medical students at KMC and all house officers at the attached Khyber Teaching Hospital as a result of KMCAANA initiative.

- Additional equipment (4 new Mannequins) for the BLS lab were donated to the lab in 2016.
- Young Khyberian Physicians: Our young Khyberian Committee is busy guiding our KMC graduates during their search for clinical observer-ships and residency application process.
- KMC alumni sponsored a Qraz Hasna program for KMC graduates in need of financial help while waiting to start their residency training. Two KMC graduates have been sponsored so far.
- In coordination with APPNA SWDRC, members of KMCAANA are actively sponsoring a cornea transplant program. So far 14 high quality corneas have been sent from USA to Peshawar and successfully transplanted.
- KMCAANA members are also actively involved in supporting the APPNA “Muskan” (cleft palate and lip repair) project in Peshawar. Our goal is to sponsor 20 such surgeries during the next 3 months.
- ACPNA funded pacemaker bank at Lady Reading Hospital, Peshawar, providing free pacemakers to deserving patients
- The Khyber Medical College-University of Toledo visiting professor program sponsors one KMC faculty member to work in research for three months at the University of Toledo.
- With Dr. S. Amjad Hussain’s personal efforts, a University of Toledo- KMC alliance has been created whereby 2 KMC medical students perform clinical electives at the University of Toledo during Summer months.
- Establishment of KMCAANA office at KMC and appointment of a KMCAANA representative in KMC.

Our future Goals:

- Raise another \$100,000.00 from our donors for the Khyber-APPNA scholarship endowment fund. This will go a long way to support our scholarship program.
- To increase our need based student scholarships to 25 each year.
- Obtain AHA accreditation for the BLS lab at KMC
- Add ACLS capabilities to the BLS lab
- Develop a working relationship with Khyber Teaching hospital academic program
- Establishment of visiting professor lecture and video conferencing lectures series.
- A Khyber Medical College retreat in 2018.

Continuing our strong bond with Central APPNA, many of our alumni are serving on several APPNA committees. Our friendship and teamwork with other chapters and alumni associations continue to grow. KMCAANA thanks our APPNA friends who have always come forward with open arms to support our projects.

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