

COURSE CURRICULUM

Broad categories	Topics to be covered	Details of Topics
Basic Genetics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Mendelian disorders b. Chromosomal disorders and Cytogenetics c. Developmental genetics d. Embryology and Teratology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Academic session b. Practical exposure to search of teratology databases- print and online
Clinical Genetics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Family history and Pedigree analysis b. Dysmorphology and Syndrome diagnosis c. Indications for genetic testing and prenatal diagnosis d. Pre-conceptual and Prenatal counselling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Academic session/Bedside learning b. Outpatient clinics with exposure to all relevant clinical scenarios especially related to obstetrics c. Participation in counselling sessions
Antenatal ultrasonography in context of genetic evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Nuchal and early anomaly scan abnormalities- syndromic diagnosis and genetic evaluation b. Abnormalities on Targeted anomaly scan- syndromic diagnosis and genetic evaluation c. Approach to individual ultrasound abnormality w.r.t genetic diagnosis and testing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Academic session/bedside learning b. Observation of ultrasounds in-house or through rotational postings with emphasis on genetic evaluation and syndrome diagnosis c. Preparation of ultrasound report w.r.t. counselling for abnormal ultrasound findings
Invasive diagnosis – Indications and appropriate sample collection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Amniocentesis- Indications, risks and adequate sample collection and transport b. Chorionic villus sampling- Indications, risks and adequate sample collection & transport 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Academic session/Bedside learning b. Observation (and assistance, as per institute policies) of invasive procedures c. Pre-test counseling
Anueploidy screening- pre and post test counseling and report interpretation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Maternal serum screening b. Ultrasonography markers for aneuploidy c. Non-invasive prenatal test 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Academic session /Bedside learning b. Pre and post test counseling c. Interpretation of serum screening reports d. Practical approach to counseling of high risk patients

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Laboratory genetics- test ordering and interpretation	<p>Cytogenetic techniques- Karyotype, FISH, MLPA, QF-PCR, Microarray</p> <p>a. Molecular genetics- PCR, Sanger sequencing, Next generation sequencing</p> <p>b. Biochemical genetics- HPLC, TLC, Enzyme assays</p>	<p>a. Academic session/benchside teaching</p> <p>b. Observation of lab experiments</p> <p>c. Indications of test, ordering ,sample collection</p> <p>d. Complexities in interpretation of laboratory results in prenatal setting</p> <p>e. Complexities in counseling during prenatal testing</p>
ELSI	<p>a. Psychosocial, ethical and legal aspects of prenatal genetics</p> <p>b. Genetic counselling</p>	<p>a. Academic session/bedside teaching</p> <p>b. Participation in counselling sessions and actual cases scenarios during outpatient clinics</p>
Fetal autopsies	<p>a. Indications and Technique of fetal autopsy</p> <p>b. Dysmorphology and syndrome diagnosis in fetuses</p>	<p>a. Academic session/benchside learning</p> <p>b. Observation (and hands on experience as per institute policies) of performing autopsies</p> <p>c. Observation of histopathology of fetal organs in collaboration with pathology department</p>
Research methodology	<p>a. Introduction to clinical and laboratory research methodologies</p> <p>b. Research in the field of prenatal genetics</p>	<p>a. Encouragement to write a manuscript based on interesting cases observed during training</p>
Relevance in Public Health	<p>a. Population screening for genetic disorders</p> <p>b. Birth defects prevention</p> <p>c. PNDT act</p> <p>d. Genetic education for laypersons, community and other health professionals</p>	<p>a. One Academic session</p> <p>b. Carrier screening for genetic disorders in actual outpatient scenario</p>