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“Excellence is not an act but a habit. And nothing great is ever achieved without passion and enthusiasm.”

In my opinion, a particular triumph may bang you to the utmost, but to retain its paramount in this superbly competitive era is even sturdier. Thus subsequently comes the diligence. It is a hostile certainty that, the prevailing world only acknowledges the endurance of the fittest. APPS UK is keeping its pace to accomplish the goals despite having limited internal resources. Tribute is for its every member contributing a petite

exertion that essentially substances a lot. I feel pleasure in saying that APPS UK’s three streamlined projects are ready to be launched; the first is being kicked off on 21 February.

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APPS UK chair awarded

Jan 12: APPS chair M. Iqbal has won another prestigious award for Excellence in Healthcare by United Pakistan, a thoroughly deserved honor. Dr Iqbal is actively working to set up a number of exciting APPS projects for this year. Salient ones are Hearing Centre Assessment centers to be set up in Lahore, Karachi and Islamabad. Proposals have been acquired and details of these will follow soon in near future.



Anaesthetists and the Society for Cardiothoracic Surgery in Great Britain and Ireland. The closing date for entries is 17 February and rules of submission and further details can be obtained from sctsadmin@scts.org or the website www.scts.org. This is a golden opportunity for medical students.

Patrick Magee Medal

The Society for Cardiothoracic Surgery in Great Britain & Ireland invites the submission of abstracts of case presentations, original research, literature review or clinical audit to be made at the joint annual meeting of the Association of Cardiothoracic

APPS meeting with Prime Minister

7 Jan: Dr Amir Ayub (executive member) and Dr Younas Parwaz (Director for Public relations) were invited for the dinner with UK PM David Cameron in Manchester. Dr Ayub, (consultant cardiologist & founder of FAMS financial assistance for medical students) and Dr Perwaz have played important role in the progress of APPS UK and achieving its objectives.



Manchester. To purchase ticket and further information visit the website www.zanfha.org. Simon & Friends has performed live with Kumar Sanu, Rahat Fateh Ali Khan, Shaan, Anup Jalota and Ustad Ghulam Ali and been awarded by Zee.

Hearing Assessment Centers

The Zanfha Initiative is a fundraising group set up in UK who has organized a fundraising event in aid of **APPS UK** to establish a **Hearing Assessment Centre** in Lahore Pakistan. This is an evening of elegant, soulful music and Sufi music – the “space between” worlds, consciousness and cultures on 3rd March 2012 at Sheridon Suite



APPS chair Dr Iqbal HRH Prince Charles

It gives us a great pleasure to announce that HRH Prince Charles invited APPS UK Chair Dr Iqbal, for a get-together at St James Palace. Around 40 most influential members from among all the communities in the UK attended this gathering. Dr Iqbal had meeting with prince and was impressed by Prince's charity plans to help poor Pakistan. One of his major relief works is called Pakistan relief fund for which APPS participated in raising donations on ARY last year.

APPS "yellow sharps bin" project

Hep C is affecting 20% population in Pakistan, it is estimated that 90% of sharps end up in ordinary bin risking further spread. APPS UK has set the basis to initiate "sharps bin" project and to raise awareness among healthcare providers. The proposal is to run this project on self sustain basis and pilot to start at 3 places. APPS is already working in collaboration with Hep C trust UK to raise awareness among Asian communities.

APPS to launch video lectures

APPS UK is glad to announce that it launches "Live Video Link" Project on 21 Feb 2012. Dr Yasmeen is the lead for this project and first to deliver the lecture. These lectures will be aired live to Pakistani medical students in various medical colleges on weekly basis by UK's consultants and specialist registrars. Full program of this series will be issued very soon. This is an exciting development and hundreds of students will benefit from these lectures where they will have live interaction with the lecturer.

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