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On

Humanising Healthcare Through Storytelling

Stories as a tool for transformation



Our panelists:



Yogesh Jain



Vidya Viswanath



Joan Marston



Chinthana Gopinath

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Frank Brennan

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Yogesh Jain

Yogesh has an MD in Paediatrics from AIIMS, New Delhi, where he also served as a faculty member for a few years. He is public health physician, predominantly involved in 'primary health care'. He founded and runs a community health programme - Jan Swasthya Sahyog (JSS) - People's health Support group - in rural Bilaspur, central India with like-minded health professionals, since 1999. JSS attends to the major health care needs of over 2500 most marginalised villages that are home to indigenous people. Yogesh works to address issues- technical, operational, economic or political- that determine healthcare for the rural poor through clinical care, careful documentation, observational research studies, developing appropriate health related technology, training and advocacy. Observing health and illnesses through the lens of hunger and extreme poverty, he has been a strident believer in the continued role of the state as the primary provider of social services and that unbridled privatization is not the way forward in the unequal world in which we live.



Vidya Viswanath

Vidya is a palliative care physician working at Homi Bhabha Cancer Hospital and Research Centre in Andhra Pradesh, India. She is privileged to be a part of the inception of two socially relevant health related areas in the State of Andhra Pradesh- Transfusion medicine and Palliative Medicine. She trained and transitioned from transfusion medicine to palliative medicine after observing the impact of chronic disease on patients and their families. She is an Honorary Tutor for Cardiff University and is a resource person for national training programmes in palliative medicine. Areas of her interest include Quality Improvement, Spirituality and Qualitative research. Her goal is to make evidence based palliative care accessible, accountable and penetrative in the society and among the medical fraternity.

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Joan Marston

Joan is a registered nurse based in South Africa and for over 33 years active in many aspects of palliative care, with a special focus on children and more recently palliative care in humanitarian crises; presently the crisis in Ukraine. Joan believes everyone has a story that needs to be told and heard, and when others are unable to tell their own story we need to be their voices.



Chinthana Gopinath

Chinthana runs a small but growing business called 'Back in the Day' that makes natural skin care products for dogs. While this pays her bills, she feeds her soul with her work at Freagles of India, where she is the Founder-Trustee. The organisation works on the rehabilitation of beagles retired from research testing laboratories. She has experienced the power of stories in changing lives, both in her current work as well as from having been both a care recipient and a caregiver. She believes that stories can alter the course of treatment, care, recovery and rescue.

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MODERATORS BIO



Frank Brennan

Frank Brennan is a Palliative Care Physician based in Sydney, Australia. He has a strong interest in the humanities and its interface with patient care. He has written a series of narratives drawn from his work that were published and broadcast on national radio in Australia. He has also written extensively on the way great writers have looked at illness, death and bereavement.



Smriti Rana

Smriti heads the Strategic Programs and Partnerships Division at Pallium India. Her work focusses on ensuring safe access to opioid analgesics for pain relief in India through central government and stakeholder-engagement. She works closely with the WHO South East Asian Regional Office and is part of international advocacy groups for better access to palliative care and controlled medicines in the Global South. She is passionate about the inclusion of people with lived experience at decision making fora, the role of storytelling in trauma response and resilience-building practices, death literacy and appropriate end of life care, decolonizing and humanizing healthcare.

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