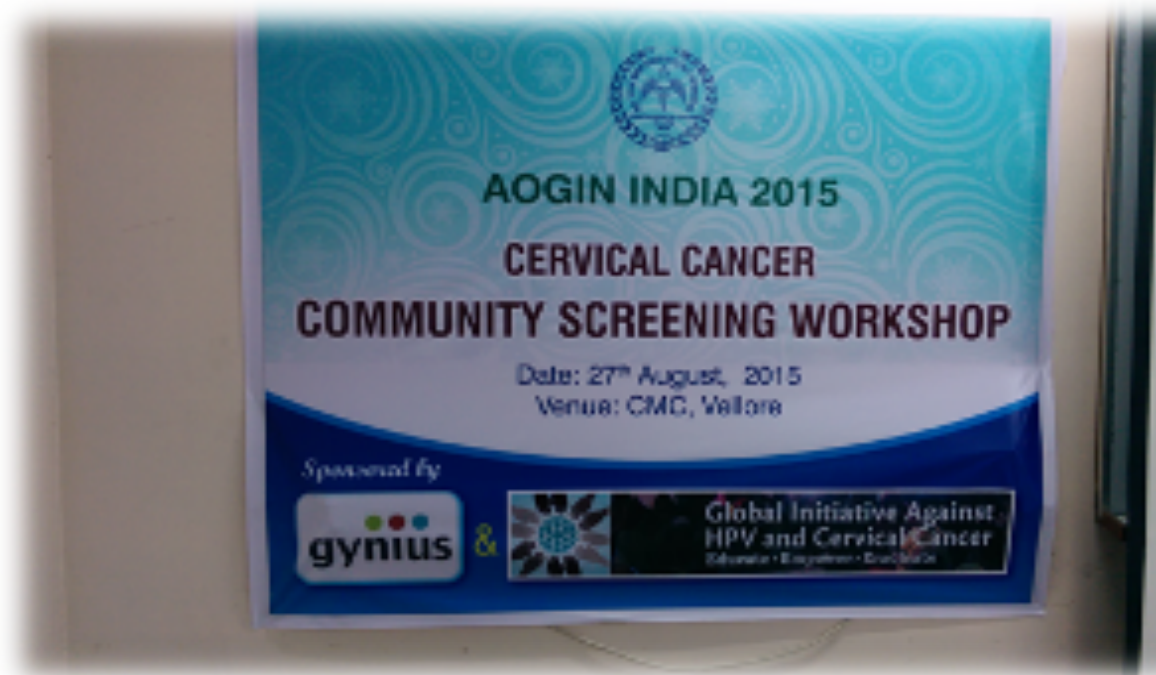


**SUMMARY OF
QUARTERLY REPORT
CANCER CERVIX SCREENING &
MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME
July - September 2015**



AOGIN workshop 2015

AOGIN 2015 (Asia Oceanic Research Organization in Genital Infection and Neoplasia) was hosted at the Christian Medical college in Vellore, India from August 27th-29th. The cervical cancer prevention community- training workshop was co-hosted by the Global Initiative Against HPV and Cervical Cancer and GIAHC India Trust. The workshop was hugely successful and sold out event.

The conference commenced by honoring Ms. Michele Baldwin. Around 30 participants from different parts of India attended the workshop. In the first half, there were talks and discussions on community education & preparation, consent, VIA and colposcopy, cryotherapy & cold coagulation. In the second half, the sessions included use of a hand held colposcope and setting up of screening project using the hand held colposcope. All the participants were given a training manual. Highly qualified national and international staff conducted the workshop.

In addition, all the participants and faculty signed the “Cervical Cancer Prevention Promotion Quilt”. The workshop concluded with very good testimonials from the participants.



ONGOING CERVICAL CANCER AND EARLY TREATMENT PROGRAMS

Routine cancer cervix screening in clinics and camps are being conducted successfully. Regular health education programmes were organized in the villages to promote screening. The number of camps was considerably increased to 4 camps per month from September and hence the number screened will be considerably higher in the coming months.

Regular follow up of all women are done to ensure that they take proper treatment and come to RUHSA (Rural Unit for Health and Social Affairs at CMC) for review. The Monday follow up clinic of positive VIA cases has been very successful.

210 women were screened this quarter. VIA positives were referred for follow up including cryotherapy. There were no invasive cancers found this session. There were no losses to follow up.

Lakshmi – A Fight against Cervical Cancer

Lakshmi is a 37- year old woman from a nearby village. A year ago she started having severe bleeding and lower abdominal pain and hence came to RUHSA in Feb 2015. A clinical examination revealed a cervical growth and hence a biopsy was taken. She was then diagnosed with cervical cancer stage IIB. She was referred to the hospital for further management. She went once but became very distressed and did not go back for further treatment. Several home visits were made but she refused to turn up for treatment. She was misguided by some of her family members and she opted for native treatment and her symptoms worsened. The ground staff didn't give up on her and made another home visit in the first week of September and she was motivated to attend the Monday clinic on 7th September. She was again counseled to take treatment at the Christian Medical college. Her doctor who has seen her before was happy to see her again to continue the treatment. Restaging was done and was found to have advanced further

to stage III B. However she and her family were motivated to continue the treatment. Currently she is undergoing appropriate treatment at the hospital and she has regained confidence to fight this cancer.