

Emergency medical care courses in all medical colleges

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HYDERABAD: To improve services at the emergency wings (casualty) of Government Hospitals, courses in Emergency Medical Treatment (EMT) will be introduced in all medical colleges in the State.

The government is collaborating with Andhra Pradesh Medical Graduates in USA (APMGUSA) to introduce these courses. On Sunday, members of APMGUSA, NTR Health University and State health officials said that house surgeons and doctors of Guntur Medical College, Gandhi Medical College, Pratima Medical College, Karim-

nagar, and Medicity Medical College, Medchal will undergo training on emergency medical care.

"There is a need to improve emergency medical care in our State. We are trying to pass on whatever we have learned in US to the doctors here," said chairman, APMGUSA, Dr. E. Venkat Rao, while interacting with press persons here on Sunday.

Gandhi Medical College (GMC) will soon have an exclusive Emergency Medical Department with dedicated faculty. By next year, a Masters degree in Emergency Medicine will be introduced at GMC, authorities said.

"We have already applied

for permission to Medical Council of India. We have enough faculty and hopefully we will be able to get permission," GMC principal Dr. K. Venkatesh said.

Workshop held

On Sunday, a workshop on emergency medicine was organised at GMC.

"We brought human models and simulators to demonstrate and expose students to 'live' medical conditions and treatment. The courses in emergency medical care will be introduced in all 37 medical colleges," said Project leader of Emergency Medical Care Course, Dr. Vemuri Murthy.