

## **Educational Qualifications:**

**Postgraduate:**        **MD (Forensic Medicine & Toxicology): 1996**  
                              **M Phil, Hospital and Health Systems Management: 2006 (Birla Institute of Technology and Sciences, Pilani, India)**  
                              **Masters (MA) Erasmus Mundus Master in Bioethics: 2008**  
                              **PhD (Dublin City University, Ireland): 2020**

**Graduate:**            **MBBS (Government Medical College Nagpur India): 1989**

## **Additional Qualifications:**

National Counsellor in Torture Medicine: **1997**  
PG Dip in Medical Law & Ethics: **1999**  
PG Dip in Human Rights Law    : **2000**

## **Accomplishments**

- Perceiving an increasing gap in ethics teaching and practice in health care, I proposed establishment of a dedicated Centre for Ethics in our University, with the objective of creating a renaissance in bioethics in healthcare education, research and practice which came into existence in 2011.
- Started two ethics-specific academic programs:
  - Postgraduate Diploma in Bioethics & Medical Ethics (PGDBEME) since 2011 (First in India)
  - Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical Ethics (PGDCE) since 2012 (First in India)
- Intensive Summer Workshop in ethics and Research (ISWEAR) since 2012
- Choice based credit course for Bioethics and Environmental Ethics since 2014
- Choice based credit course for Clinical Ethics and Medical Humanities since 2020
- Embedment of ethics in the curriculum of medical and allied health sciences of the University
- PI in Yenepoya University Fogarty International Research Ethics Masters Program for India (NIH Grant No. 1R25TW010305) since 2017. This is the first Masters program in research ethics for whole of India .
- National and International collaborations to bring out academic excellence: Johannes Gutenberg University (JGU), Mainz, Germany, Duquesne University Pittsburgh, USA, Hacettepe University, Ankara, Turkey, Universidad Panamericana, Mexico City, Mexico and Monash University, Australia.
- Started the first in India Post Graduate Diploma in Forensic Anthropology in

Collaboration with faculty from Equipo Argentino Antropologie de Forense (EAAF) Argentina, Dr Luis Fondebrider, Ivana Wolff from March 2015.

### **Selected Awards and Recognitions**

- Program external assessor for the Masters of Health Research Ethics (MOHRE) , University of Malaya, Malaysia (2020-2024)
- Ethics advisory board member for H2020/DBT co-funded project - ENDFLU (Evaluation of Rationally Designed Influenza Vaccines) (2021-2025)
- Ethics advisory board member for “INDIGO”- Effective and affordable flu vaccine for the world , 2021
- Advisory Board Member of DRISHTi to develop the Digital Health Research Ethics course 2021
- Appointed as Member, "Board of Directors of International academy of Bioethics" International Association of Bioethics 2022

### **Selected Publications**

1. Balakrishnan G, Vaswani V, Thalanjeri P. Emerging ethical dilemmas in the use of intelligent computer programs in decision-making in health care: an exploratory study. *MGM Journal of Medical Sciences*. 2022 Apr 1;9(2):160.
2. Pais V, Vaswani V, Pais S. To evaluate the knowledge, attitude and practice of healthcare ethics among medical, dental and physiotherapy postgraduate students—a pilot study. *International Journal of Ethics Education*. 2021 Apr;6(1):97-107.
3. Parveen S, Mascarenhas R, Vaswani V. Comparison of Knowledge, Attitude, and Practice of Authorship Guidelines Among Medical and Dental Professionals. *Journal of Indian Orthodontic Society*. 2021 Jan;55(1):39-48.
4. Shah SK, Miller FG, Darton TC, Duenas D, Emerson C, Lynch HF, Jamrozik E, Jecker NS, Kamuya D, Kapulu M, Kimmelman J, Vaswani V. Ethics of controlled human infection to address COVID-19. *Science*. 2020 May 22;368(6493):832-4.
5. Shah SK, Miller FG, Darton TC, Duenas D, Emerson C, Lynch HF, Jamrozik E, Jecker NS, Kamuya D, Kapulu M, Kimmelman J, Vaswani V. Unnecessary hesitancy on human vaccine tests—Response. *Science*. 2020 Jul 10;369(6500):151-151.
6. Vaswani V, Saxena A, Shah SK, Palacios R, Rid A. Informed consent for controlled human infection studies in low-and middle-income countries: ethical challenges and proposed solutions. *Bioethics*. 2020 Oct;34(8):809-18
7. Vaswani V, Vaswani R. Bioethics education in India. In *Bioethics Education in a*

Global Perspective 2015 (pp. 37-50). Springer, Dordrecht.

8. Vaswani V. Clinical Ethics: Teaching. In: ten Have H.(eds)Encyclopedia of global bioethics. Springer, Cham. Pp: 1-6.2017.
9. Vaswani V.A rewarding introduction to global bioethics.Indian Journal of Medical Ethics. 2 (4): 299.2017.
10. Guthigar M,Vaswani V.Availability and accessibility of the basic facilities including health care by a Primitive Tribal Group of South India – An exploratory study. Research Journal of Social Science & Management (ISSN: 2251-1571). 3(1): 169-75. 2013.
11. Vaswani V.Bridging the Ethics Gap. Letter to the Editor, Indian Journal of Medical Ethics. Vol 9; 71-72.2012