Quality of Indian Doctors : A Matter for Concern?

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Abstract

Data from human development report, U.N. development program, updated in 2005, indicates that, out of 177 countries assessed, the Human Development Index ranking for India is 127. This reflects poorly on country's health and social statistics. Our health care system revolves around the quality and capabilities of medical manpower available to us. Unless the society, the academicians, and the government can ensure that only the best talented students would get the opportunity to enter medical courses, and are trained by the best available faculty, under the best possible support systems and environment, it would not be possible to break the shackles of mediocrity and expect better health care delivery as well as performance. Therefore, there is an urgent need today of combining our efforts and for corroborative working.

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