

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF ISIVF

Dear friends and colleagues

The COVID-19 pandemic has almost passed and the reproductive medical fraternity is back to its routine life, albeit with post pandemic precautions of social distancing and masks. The disaster has taken an enormous number of lives across the world. Many medical professionals have lost their jobs, patients and livelihoods.

However, now our biggest concern should be the patients, not physical or economic loss. The pandemic has dramatically changed people's lives. They are exhausted, withered and cautious about physical contact with others. They may be hesitant to continue their progeny and this will lower their desire to continue to live. This negative impact will be remarkable in severely affected countries.



Now, at such a time, what is expected of the medical fraternity? Patients may have anxiety about their future, advancement in age and economic issues. They may have been exposed to stress by staying home during this crisis or may be in a mentally distressed condition and even the physical condition may have deteriorated by lack of exercise.

I think, keeping these factors in mind, the way of treating patients should also be changed now. We should try to provide utmost support to the patients in fulfilling their dreams of parenthood. We should consider the social and economic conditions of each patient and propose the best way of treatment after carefully going through the detailed medical information of each of them.

ISIVF was established by our pioneer, the Nobel laureate Sir Robert Edwards in 1980 with the mission of promoting research and clinical development in the field of human IVF and other assisted reproductive technologies. Since its inception, scientific congresses have been held 19 times so far covering various aspects of ART. These congresses have attracted people from all corners of the world through their rich and high-quality research contents. Many doctors, embryologists, researchers and other related personnel have been benefited from the society. We all should strive hard to maintain it by our rigorous efforts in contributing to the reproductive medical field.

I hope with time we will be able to adapt to this new norm of life.
I wish you all a safe and healthy life.



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