

# IIM observes National Pharmacovigilance Week

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IIM Raipur observed the National Pharmacovigilance Week here the other day, with the theme 'Boosting Public Confidence in Pharmacovigilance'. It is an initiative taken by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW), Government of India. Doctors from All India Institute of Medical Sciences visited IIM Raipur on September 21 at 3:30 PM and delivered an awareness programme on Pharmacovigilance.

The guest speakers were Dr Nitin R Gaikwad, Professor & HOD Pharmacology, Co-ordinator, AMC, AIIMS Raipur along with Dr Yogendra Keche, Asst Professor, Pharmacology, AIIMS Raipur and Dr Pugazhenthan Thangaraju, Asst Professor, Pharmacology, Deputy Coordinator, AIIMS Raipur. Professor Ramkumar, Chairperson, Student Affairs, greeted the guest speakers by



The guest speakers addressed the awareness program organised by IIM Raipur to observe National Pharmacovigilance Week.

expressing his valuable thoughts.

Professor Pradyumna Dash, Dean Academics presented the memento to Dr Nitin R Gaikwad whereas Colonel (Dr) Harindra Tripathi, Chief Administrative Officer, IIM Raipur presented the memento to Dr Yogendra Keche and Professor M Ramkumar presented the memento to Dr. Pugazhenthan Thangaraju.

They explained Pharmacovigilance, the science and activities relating to the detection, assessment, understanding and prevention of adverse effects or any other

medicine/vaccine-related problems. They also emphasized that all medicines and vaccines undergo rigorous testing for safety and efficacy through clinical trials before they are authorised for use. If any side effects appear on the human body, then the pharmacovigilance team of AIIMS Raipur should be kept informed. This awareness programme by the AIIMS team contributed significantly to our faculty and staff members and covered all important aspects of healthcare. In the end, Professor M Ramkumar presented a vote of thanks.