

**K. N. Bhise Arts, Commerce and Vinayakrao Patil Science College,
Vidyanagar, Bhosare**

Best Practice I

Title: Service-learning through Blood Donation

Goal: The objective of the practice is to engage community to create closer ties between institution of higher education and communities they serve with the result to deepen the quality of learning and discovery and to develop humanitarian approach.

The context: The community-based learning combines traditional classroom instruction with community-service to enhance the learning of the students and civic participation. The college's focus for community improvement and engagement connects academic program with community service so that students, faculty and community partners can forge linkage between theory and practice, between knowledge and action and between the resources of institution and the community development.

The practice: K.N. Bhise Arts, Commerce and Vinayakrao Patil Science College organizes regular blood donation camps. During the last five years, the college has collected 400 bottles of blood in collaboration with Sriman Rambhai Shah Raktpedi , Barshi . The Institution aims at ensuring easy accessibility and adequate supply of safe and quality blood and blood components collected from voluntary blood donors to those in need. The blood is stored and transported under optimum conditions with the help of the Raktpedi. Transfusion is always under the supervision of trained personnel. Under the policy, blood transfusion is available to people irrespective of their economic or social status. Total Quality Management approach has ensured in smooth conduct of Blood Donation Camps and follow up work.

Obstacles faced if any and strategies adopted to overcome them Impact of the practice: Obstacles faced include: inadequacy of resources. The practice has made an impact on community, students, and teachers. Donated blood is being utilized by people and institutions not only in Kurduwadi and Barshi but also in district and state level. The blood is also being utilized by the patients suffering from thalassemia, AIDS and Hemophilia, etc.. The voluntary blood donation camps have resulted in great impact on the students as well as teachers. The impact is also apparent on personality development, moral education and on civic responsibility and is reflected in reduced indiscipline and enhanced sense of the responsibility among the students towards the college. It has also created a sense of managerial ability among the students for organizing such type of events in the college.

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Resources required: For collecting bloods hospital mobile van is required. Efforts are also made to make the blood transfusion services viable through non-profit recovery system.

Contact person for further details

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