

## CBME: What's New?

The medical council of India (MCI) has ushered in a new curriculum from the current academic year. The thrust is on making the students proficient in core competencies laid down by MCI.

The salient features of CBME are:

- Early clinical exposure (ECE)
- Integration of certain topic
- Continuous assessment
- Self-directed learning (SDL)
- Foundation course in the initial 1 month

## AETCOM module

The concept of integration is essential for better understanding of concepts and elimination of redundancy. Integration will ensure inter-departmental coordination and doing away of 'in-situ' existence of subject specialities.

Early crucial exposure during formative years will help our students experience the clinical correlation of the basic science concepts. This will ingrain the importance of basic science in their long term memory. The emphasis on self-directed learning and AETCOM highlights the transformation of our educational policy from pedagogy to andragogy.

Finally, the foundation course attempts to ensure a strong foundation of our future doctors by sensitizing them to all the different facets of professionalism and holistic development.

All the best to our facilitators and students to derive maximum benefits from this new experience.

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