

GAIPO Meeting Report Bangalore 8-10 January 2016

GAPIO is Global Association of Physicians of Indian Origin. I had been in touch with few of its office bearers from the UK and USA to develop some linkages of BPNI essentially to introduce our organization work and aim at fund raising.

Finally I got invited to this meeting 6th Annual GPIO meeting in Bengaluru on 8-10 January and also to speak during a pre conference seminar.

I talked on the topic Babies Need Mom made Not Man made which was well received and was a new to many as most of the health and allied workers belonged to specialties like hear, respiratory, surgery, mental health etc.

During the meeting I also met Mr. Anwar Feroz Siddiqi, Chief Strategy Advisor of AAPI, Association of American Physicians of Indian Origin. I had a special breakfast meeting with him during which he showed interest in linking with us. He thought that he would go back to USA and talk to the next president of the AAPI who will take over in June Dr Lodha. He is from Rajasthan and they will begin some work in march and have established some connections with the government. It is here he thinks our training could fit in.

He is likely to arrange a conversation with Dr Lodha.

Networking with several other American doctors provided opportunities of promotion of our Global Giving platform as well. We will be able to FU with them.

I had the opportunity of detailed discussion of our e-promotion work for fund raising with Dharen Chadha, he provided useful information , we will FU with him.

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