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Current Posts

Professor of Epidemiology, Iran University of Medical Sciences Aug 2018- present
Manager, Clinical Trial Centre, Iran University of Medical Sciences (IUMS-CTC) April 2014 - present
Manager, Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials (IRCT) Dec 2008 - present

Previous Posts

Associate professor of Epidemiology at IUMS Sep 2012 – Aug 2018
Assistant professor of Epidemiology at IUMS Jan 2009 – Sep 2012
Honorary Assistant Professor, Division of Epidemiology and Public Health, University of Nottingham, UK Jan 2008 – Aug 2022
Deputy Director of Health Technology Development Office at the Ministry of Health and Medical Education (MOHME), Iran Feb 2014 – Jan 2018
Advisor to Deputy Minister for Research and Technology, Ministry of Health and Medical Education, Iran April 2008 – Mar 2011
Clinical Lecturer in Public Health, Division of Epidemiology and Public Health, University of Nottingham, UK Oct 2003 – Jan 2008
Specialist Registrar in Public Health, Nottinghamshire County Teaching Primary Care Trusts Oct 2003 – Jan 2008
Ph.D. student, Division of Epidemiology and Public Health, University of Nottingham, UK Oct 1999 – Sep 2003
Director of Administration, under-secretariat of research, Ministry of Health and Medical Education, Iran Dec 1997 – Sep 1999
Director of Budgeting, Regional Health Authority of Zanjan, Zanjan Province, Iran Dec 1995 – Dec 1997
Director of Disease Control, Regional Health authority of Zanjan, Zanjan Province, Iran Dec 1994 – Dec 1995
General Practitioner in:
Rural Takestan, Zanjan Province, Iran Jun 1993 – Nov 1994
Urban Islamshahr, Tehran province, Iran Sep 1991 – Apr 1993
Urban Ardebil and Germei, Ardebil province, Iran Jan 1991 – Sep 1991

Qualifications

CCT, Certificate of Completion of Training as Public Health Specialist in the UK February 2008
FFPH, Fellow, Faculty of Public Health, UK Royal College of Physicians February 2008
PGCHE, Postgraduate Certificate in Higher Education, (30 credits) University of Nottingham January 2007
DPFH, Diploma Faculty of Public Health, UK Royal College of Physicians

January 2006
MPH, Master of Public Health, Division of Epidemiology and Public Health,
University of Nottingham, UK Sep 2003 – Sep 2004
PhD, Title: Epidemiology of oesophageal adenocarcinoma
Division of Epidemiology and Public Health, University of Nottingham, UK
Oct 1999 – Sep 2003
MD, Tehran University of Medical Sciences, Tehran, Iran
Feb 1984 – Oct 1990

Computing

Computer programming and system design with Microsoft Foxpro
Jul 1998 – Sep 1998
Microsoft Foxpro programming
Jan 1998 – Mar 1998

Publications

H-index=30

For publications please see my Google Scholar page at:

https://scholar.google.com/citations?hl=en&user=Ugv1dukAAAAAJ&sortby=pubdate&scilu=10669715101074867289:0&scisig=AMstHGQAAAAAWb-BBqOmg3fgiXV5vCGSngVzpb4fijuM&gmla=AJsn-F48Ut9A-yAp9hleEEBPgF-aUThNcJzayfE7_sDkHpGnm_tbsM4DR73cTetD58m-_qxaNwaDuc_RBfit89uez9Jks8qM7rBopTBzb_O-Bgx4uiBlvE&sciund=10977850647256897548&cstart=0&pagesize=20

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Clinical experience

I gained 4 years of clinical experience as a general practitioner in both urban and rural areas of Iran. On average, at the time, there were two GPs per 10000 people in rural areas, so throughout this period, I saw a wide variety of both acute and chronic conditions common to primary care.

Research experience

My research has been mainly in two areas of Gastroenterology (focusing on Barrett's) and Reproductive medicine (focusing on Anti-Mullerian Hormone and Menopause). After moving to the University of Nottingham in 1999, I developed my interest in the epidemiology of oesophageal carcinoma by examining its relationship with Barrett's esophagus within my Ph.D. research which I successfully accomplished in March 2004. My research skills have continued to develop since 1999 first as a PhD student and later from October 2003 till Jan 2008 as a Clinical Lecturer in Public Health at the Division of Epidemiology and Public Health at the University of Nottingham, UK. Later on, in 2008, I moved back to Iran and became an academic member of the Iran University of Medical Sciences (IUMS). I am currently a professor of Epidemiology at the Department of Epidemiology and I am involved in high-quality research in both areas mentioned before and other health and trial-related methodological issues.

Clinical Trial experience

Following my return to Iran in 2008, I founded the Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials. IRCT's establishment and integration into the Iranian research landscape was a massive undertaking both in terms of research ethics and transparency culture as well as technical issues relating to software development. IRCT is a primary register on the WHO registry network. Please also visit: www.who.int/ictrp; <http://www.who.int/ictrp/network/primary/en/>

My interest in clinical trials went on to make the ground ready for the establishment of the Clinical Trial Centre at the Iran University of Medical Sciences in 2014. CTC's focus has been on the promotion of clinical trials at the university and beyond by holding numerous training courses and providing services in all clinical trial-related areas including, protocol and CRF design, methodological advice, consultations, trial conduct, monitoring, analysis, and reporting. I have led the team in IUMS-CTC since 2014 and it is ongoing (ctc.iums.ac.ir). We are currently focused on three main tasks: holding seasonal ICH-GCP workshops; Monitoring and auditing trials sponsored by IUMS; Providing comprehensive services for trial sponsors outside IUMS (Endeavor to become fully functional academic CRO)

Computing experience

Whilst working at the Ministry of Health in Iran I developed comprehensive skills in computing, database design and management, both through practical experience and attending a series of short courses. These skills have proven valuable in my research using data collected in a large primary care database (the General Practice Research Database) and I have developed automated programmes, using Foxpro, for the interrogation of this database.

Public health experience

My work in Iran provided the opportunity to gain extensive public health experience in three main areas. I was first employed in communicable disease control and had first-hand experience in managing an outbreak of cholera and containing possible cross-border transmission of bubonic plague. I then worked for Regional Health Authority where I was responsible for the annual budgetary management for Zanjan province. In my subsequent promotion to the Ministry of Health, I became responsible for assessing the quality of research proposals and administration of the under-secretariat for research. Following my move to the UK in 1999 and finishing my PhD in Epidemiology of oesophageal adenocarcinoma, I started my formal Public Health Training in the UK in October 2003 and obtained my Certificate of Completion of Training (CCT) on Feb 2008 and went on the UK GMC's Specialist Register. (Specialist in Public Health Medicine, GMC number: 6081745)