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### **RAD-AID Conference on International Radiology and Global Health**

The Hospital and Rehabilitation Center for Disabled Children (HRDC) announced today that HRDC will be represented at the RAD-AID Conference to be held virtually November 7 – 8, 2020.

Individuals from 31 countries have registered for the Conference, which brings together nongovernmental humanitarian organizations, academic medical centers, government, and businesses with individuals of all backgrounds such as medical specialists, radiology professionals, public health officials, technology engineers, economists, etc., to discuss ways to increase and improve radiology for medically underserved populations.

#### **Workshop Title:**

*Progressive Work in Nepal*

On November 8th, HRDC founder Dr. Ashok Banskota and distinguished panelists will illustrate the example of the three decade success story of HRDC ([www.hrdcnepal.org](http://www.hrdcnepal.org)) which has made a transformative difference in the lives of indigent children with musculoskeletal disorders in resource poor environments. Education and innovation coupled with technical know-how and a commitment to excellence are the hallmarks of this highly successful model of social entrepreneurship.

#### *Workshop Panelists:*

Moderator: **Carlin Ridpath**, MD, Rad-Aid Country Manager for Nepal, CSL Radiologic Consultants, LLC and immediate past president Missouri Chapter of the American College Radiology.



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**Dr. Ashok Banskota, MD**, Fellow of the American College of Surgeons FACS,  
Founder, Hospital for the Rehabilitation of Disabled Children ([www.hrdcnepal.org](http://www.hrdcnepal.org)).

A story of serving children in resource poor environments for 35 years. Building an international center of excellence in Banepa, Nepal.

**Dr. Bahram Jam, PT** is the director and founder of Advanced Physical Therapy Education Institute (APTEI) and has been an instructor to over 1000 post-graduate orthopaedic courses for Physiotherapists in Canada and internationally. He was honoured to have had the opportunity to visit HRDC in Nepal to teach and gain knowledge of the tremendous work performed at the facility.

**Eileen Moncoeur** is a non-profit leader, collaborating at all program, fundraising, and executive levels with local leaders in South Asia to carry out their own initiatives within their communities. These partnerships have produced significant outcomes: pathways to education for displaced children, corrective surgery and rehabilitation for poor disabled children, and financial inclusion for under-served women. Eileen has a BA from Smith College, is Executive Director of Sabal Foundation, and serves on the board of Mae Tao Clinic in Thailand.

Collaboration for the workshop comes from [RAD-AID International](http://www.rad-aid.org) ([www.rad-aid.org](http://www.rad-aid.org)).

### HRDC: Enabling Abilities

At HRDC, we believe that people with disabilities should have equal access to rights, opportunities, and services and be protected from discrimination, abuse, and neglect. Many of the world's more than one billion people with disabilities are routinely denied even the most basic human rights, particularly in the developing world. HRDC aims to create a society in which individuals, especially children with disabilities and their guardians, live as equal citizens with an optimum quality of life.

([www.hrdcnepal.org](http://www.hrdcnepal.org))

### RAD-AID

RAD-AID International is a global health organization, founded in 2008, bringing radiology and medical imaging technologies, equipment, education, and clinical support to low-resource hospitals in medically underserved regions. RAD-AID has approximately 12,000 volunteers working in 55 hospitals in 31 countries. More information about RAD-AID can be obtained at [www.rad-aid.org](http://www.rad-aid.org).

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