

The mission of Chettinad Dental College and Research Institute is to assemble talented faculty and students to address key and emerging biomedical and dental health problems with implications in human health. The institution supports cohesive research through its research advisory committee, IPR Cell and earnest attempt at further improving research by appointing faculty of international repute. The undergraduate and postgraduate students are exposed to various government and non-government funding agencies like Indian Council for Medical Research (ICMR) for research grants and approval. In its former years the institution had taken the guidance for its research arena from its institutional faculty who are experts in the particular subject. The institution has made a MOU with *CARE* (Chettinad Academy of Research and Education), with in its campus, a deemed university has an MCI recognized Medical College, hospital and faculty of allied health sciences for exchange of ideas, research and talent. The Memorandum of Understanding is also done in the forms of Knowledge transfer and development activity, facilities sharing platform for both undergraduate and postgraduate students and Faculty alike, Joint Research and Development, Outreach and Extension activities, and patient referral from schools for complex dental treatments with stalwarts of various industries like, but not limited to *Puzhal* central Jail, Mother Dental products, Vitallium Labs, Vinayaga Dental Labs, Royal Biotech labs, VIT Chennai branch, VB Ceramic Research Centre, National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities (NIEPMD), Geometrix Laser Solutions Pvt Ltd and **METMECH Engineers**. Such exchange and referral programs inculcate a heave sense of academia and research orientation among the students and motivate them to do more contribution to society in forms of research, social work, talent-exchange etc. The varied expertise and international play of such faculty from other Allied Health Sciences has been definitely a boost for our students, wherein they would not require support from external informants. This has drastically improved the quality of research at our institution in the recent year, wherein previous unexplored areas like dental and public health research, tele-dentistry, stem-cell research, translational medicine, genetic research etc. has been made possible in the limelight.

