

Prof. Rashid Latif Khan

Prof. Rashid Latif Khan is a distinguished Professor Emeritus of Obstetrics and Gynecology with a remarkable career in the field. He holds the esteemed title of being the pioneer of the Assisted Reproductive Technology (ART) program in the region. In 1984, he established the first In Vitro Fertilization (IVF) Center in Pakistan after receiving extensive training from Monash University in Melbourne, Australia.

Dr. Rashid has been recognized globally for his expertise and contributions to the field. Notably, he was invited as an examiner by the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (RCOG) in London, United Kingdom in 1985. He has also served as a member of the National Maternal Mortality Committee, demonstrating his commitment to improving maternal health.

Throughout his career, Dr. Rashid has held various prestigious positions, including Director of the Pakistan PIEGO Programmed since 1974 and Inspector of the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council, where he conducted inspections of numerous medical colleges across the country. He has also served as an examiner for the Fellowship of the College of Physicians and Surgeons (F.C.P.S) for over three decades, and as a convenor and examiner for the College of Physicians and Surgeons Pakistan (C.P.S.P) for an impressive twenty years.

Dr. Rashid contributions extend beyond Pakistan's borders. He has been an elected member of the Executive Board of the International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics (FIGO) in London and served as the Project Director for the Safe Motherhood Project in Kasur District. Additionally, he played a pivotal role as the founder and President of the South Asian Federation of Obstetrics and Gynecology (SAFOG), further establishing his leadership in the field.

Dr. Rashid has been involved in groundbreaking research and clinical work. He attended a workshop on IVF at Monash University in Melbourne, Australia in November 1984 and worked at the Assisted Conception Unit of Kings College Hospital in London, UK. He proudly delivered Pakistan's first Test Tube Baby on July 6th, 1989, and successfully implemented IVF programs in Pakistan. He also founded the IVF Society of Pakistan, which is a member of the International Federation of Fertility Society (I.F.F.S).

His remarkable contributions and achievements have garnered significant recognition. The Government of Pakistan awarded him the prestigious Sitara-e-Imtiaz and the Merit Award from the Pakistan Academy of Medical Sciences. Furthermore, he received the Shield of Honor from the Mayor of the Metropolitan Corporation of Lahore, as well as from the Principal and staff of Allama Iqbal Medical College and the Pakistan Medical Association in Lahore. Dr. Rashid has delivered the memorial lectures in Sri Lanka and presented the SAFOG Oration at the South Asian Federation of Obstetrics & Gynecology.

Dr. Rashid has authored and published several notable works in the field, including a textbook on Gynecology in multiple editions and a book titled Obstetrics - Facts You Should Know. He continues to contribute to the medical community as a Visiting Consultant at Lahore Institute of

Fertility Endocrinology (LIFE) Pvt Limited and holds a visiting position at Hameed Latif / Arif Memorial Hospital. Furthermore, he currently serves as the Chairman of the Executive Committee at Rashid Latif Medical College.