

## LETTER TO EDITOR

### The Historical Impact of Islamic Doctrines on Role Modeling in Health Care Set up

**Dear Editor,**

This letter is an attempt to revisit Islamic doctrines to make people and societies around the globe aware of the importance of role modeling in health care set-up. The health professionals should impart qualities of a noble person, such as humility, politeness, passion, responsibility, consistency, and impartiality to impart positive synergy to colleagues and patients. (Akhyar, and Wilaela, 2018, pp. 154-165) The above qualities are exemplified in Islam as the personality of Ibadurrahman in the Holy Quran. These are ingredients for character education construction in building a civilization in society. (Akhyar, and Wilaela, 2018, pp. 154-165) This is of particular importance, especially now that we face the deterioration of role modeling in health care set up globally. Holy Quran says that “Indeed, in the Messenger of Allah you have an excellent example for whoever has hope in Allah and the Last Day, and remembers Allah often.” (Qur’an, 2020, Surah 33 (Al-Ahzab): Verse 21) The Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) is a

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complete human being who is the best of role models who practiced good morals, noble personality and wisdom to imbibe true spirit of humanity in a society. (Qur'an, 2020, Surah 33 (Al-Ahzab): Verse 21)

Islam recommends that the role models should lead towards goodness with wisdom and should impart justice without being indulged in vested interests for the harmony of the society. (Jamsari, et al, 2012, pp. 1399-1404) Islam provided greater momentum for the human pursuit of knowledge, and the first verse that descended on the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) was Iqra, meaning "read, opening the door to read, write, and evaluate". (Wani, and Maqbol, 2012, p. 718) The Prophet Muhammad(PBUH) proclaimed that "the ink of the scholar is more holy than the blood of the martyr." (Wani, and Maqbol, 2012, p. 718) Therefore, it is of paramount importance to set up role models in health care, contributing beneficial knowledge to the budding generation through continuing education programs and publications. It may be imperative that the health professionals may excel as role models by humanizing human relations and disseminating beneficial knowledge to the future generation.

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None.

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