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Intellectual Property Rights Cell

Narayana College of Nursing acknowledges that **research plays a pivotal role in generating new knowledge** that fosters the development of innovative products, practices, and services, thereby enhancing healthcare quality, professional excellence, and societal well-being. The institution firmly believes that research is not only a foundation for academic growth but also a catalyst for creative thinking and evidence-based nursing practice. Recognizing the importance of both generating and protecting original ideas, **College has established an Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Cell** to support and promote innovation, safeguard intellectual assets, and contribute meaningfully to the advancement of nursing science and healthcare delivery.

PURPOSE:

1. The primary purpose of the **IPR Cell** to integrate the concept of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) into the academic and research ecosystem, thereby enhancing the quality of thought, fostering a culture of respect and awareness for IPR, and ensuring the timely and accurate identification and protection of innovations arising from research activities.
2. The Cell also plays a crucial role in **bridging the gap between academia and industry** by facilitating knowledge transfer and encouraging collaborative research initiatives.
3. In addition, the IPR Cell supports faculty and students in realizing the **commercial potential of their ideas**.

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4. The Cell provides the necessary infrastructure, resources, and guidance to transform novel concepts into practical outcomes.

OBJECTIVES

- To nurture creative thinking among students and faculty through regular IPR awareness programs, including workshops, seminars.
- To assist in filing patents, copyrights, and trademarks.
- mentorship to students, helping them bring their creative ideas to life and ensuring that these innovations contribute not only to institutional growth but also to societal development.
- To Coordinate with organizations like IPO (Indian Patent Office), NRDC, DPIIT, and MSME.

Key Functions of IPR Cell

1. Organize workshops, seminars, guest lectures, and webinars.
2. Assist in drafting, reviewing, and filing patents, copyrights, etc.
3. Develop and implement institutional IPR policy.
4. Maintain records of filed and granted IPRs.
6. Train faculty and students in patent searching, IP databases, IP laws.
7. Work with patent attorneys, innovation councils, incubators.

Composition of IPR Cell

1. Chairperson – Dr. B. Vanaja Kumari, Principal
2. IP Coordinator –Mrs G Thejovathi, Assoc Prof, HOD of Nursing Research

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- Approve institutional IPR policy and oversee its implementation.
- Ensure alignment with institutional goals and national IPR frameworks.
- Guide the Cell in resolving disputes, ownership issues, or policy interpretation.
- Act as the final authority in all matters relating to IP at the institution.

2. IPR Coordinator

Roles & Responsibilities:

- Coordinate all IPR activities, workshops, awareness programs, and IPR week celebrations.
- Act as the nodal person between inventors and legal/IP agents for filing IP.
- Monitor progress of filed IP applications and ensure timely follow-up.
- Prepare annual reports on IPR activities for institutional records.
- Mentor faculty and students in identifying potential IP from research projects.

3. Member Secretary

Roles & Responsibilities:

- Maintain all documentation, records, and confidential files related to IPR.
- Schedule IPR Cell meetings and circulate agendas and minutes.
- Coordinate with IP authorities or patent attorneys for legal filings.


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3. Member Secretary – Mrs Pratima Vayyu, Assoc Prof, Dept of Nursing Research
4. Member – Prof Shanmugavadivu P, HOD of Child Health Nursing
5. Member – Mrs N Subhashini, Assoc Prof, Dept of Medical Surgical Nursing
6. Member – Mrs G Pavithra, Assoc Prof, Dept of Community Health Nursing
7. Technical Expert – Mr Lakshman

Student Representatives

8. Mrs T Lalitha Kumari, Ph.D. Scholar
9. Mrs R T Girija Rani, Ph.D. Scholar

Activities Conducted by IPR Cells

1. IPR Awareness Workshops/ Seminars
2. Hands-on Training on Patent Search
3. Guest Lectures by Patent Attorneys
4. IPR Quiz and Competitions
5. Celebration of World IP Day - April 26

Functions and Roles of IPR Cell Members

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1. Chairperson

Roles & Responsibilities:

- Provide strategic leadership and vision to the IPR Cell.

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- Serve as liaison for any collaborative research/MoUs involving IPR components.
- Ensure timely submission of invention disclosure forms and pre-screening.

4. Member

Roles & Responsibilities:

- Encourage and identify IP opportunities in pediatric nursing and child health innovations.
- Support patent drafting and technical evaluation in her domain.
- Promote research and development of IP-worthy tools in child healthcare.
- Participate in awareness-building sessions and serve as a mentor to student innovators.

5. Member

Roles & Responsibilities:

- Advise on IPR-related issues within medical-surgical nursing domain.
- Identify and support documentation of innovative practices or tools.
- Assist in review and validation of inventions before disclosure.
- Support interdisciplinary innovation that enhances clinical practice.

6. Member

Roles & Responsibilities:

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- Promote IP protection of innovations related to public and community health practices.
- Document and support safeguarding of indigenous or traditional knowledge with proper consents.
- Facilitate field-level research translation into viable community tools or designs.
- Help students and faculty identify IPR elements in rural/urban community settings.

7. Technical Expert

Roles & Responsibilities:

- Provide expert technical input during IP evaluation, especially for patents or designs.
- Help in drafting, formatting, and illustrating technical components of IP applications.
- Validate technological feasibility of prototypes or innovations.
- Support in liaison with patent offices or legal firms for technology-specific documents.

8. Student Representative

Roles & Responsibilities:

- Represent student researchers and innovators in IPR Cell meetings.
- Facilitate communication between the Cell and student body regarding IPR policies and opportunities.

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- Encourage peer participation in innovation and idea submission.
- Share feedback on awareness initiatives and suggest improvements.

9. Student Representative – Mrs. R. T. Girija Rani, Ph.D. Scholar

Roles & Responsibilities:

- Promote IPR culture among postgraduate and doctoral students.
- Assist in organizing and mobilizing student participation in workshops, seminars, and IPR exhibitions.
- Coordinate student-led projects that may result in intellectual property.
- Provide insights into challenges faced by students in innovation protection.

Resources

- [IP India Website](#)
- [WIPO – World Intellectual Property Organization](#)
- [National IPR Policy](#)

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