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Message from our Founder

As the world continued to battle the covid crisis, India was hit by a second and more virulent wave. April and May of 2021 will always be remembered for the continuous sound of ambulances going back and forth, outside our homes and the homes of our communities. In June people started rushing to get themselves vaccinated, and suddenly there was an acute shortage of vaccines in Bangalore.

Anahat immediately sourced funds and vaccines and between June and August of 2021 we were able to vaccinate 3,000 people who could not access the vaccines. We also sent small teams to underserved community houses to campaign to reduce widespread fear and anxiety that was leading to vaccine hesitancy.

We were able to continue our community camps and telemedicine to serve our existing patients.

Warmly,
Rani Desai
Founder – Anahat Foundation



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General Medical Community Camps

We conducted community medical camps whenever and wherever possible, to provide treatment and medicines to poorer communities as general health services were not available during the first and second waves of the pandemic. Physical movement was constrained by lockdowns and and the inability to access containment areas, but we were able to hold 20 camps through which we reached 1,500 patients. Most of these patients were able to refill their precriptions for oral anti-diabetic and anti-hypertensive medicines.





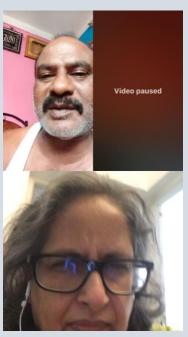
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Telemedicine

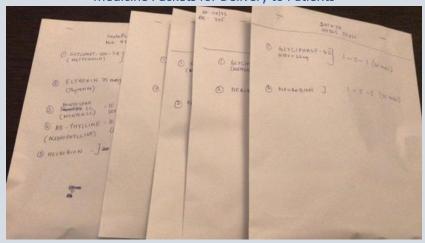
When the pandemic broke in March 2020, we had to quickly pivot to telehealth consultations since all health services including clinics, diagnostic centres, medical stores suddenly shut down. We used WhatsApp video calls for the clinical consult, medication was prescribed based on the consult and the most recent diagnostic report that the patient had. We ran this program for 9 months from June to December 2020, and we continued this in December 21 and January 22.







Medicine Packets for Delivery to Patients



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Covid Vaccination Camps

India started the covid vaccination in January 2021. Initially poorer people were very hesitant to get vaccinated as there was a lot of misinformation floating around on social media. By May 2021, the 2nd wave was at its peak, hospitalizations and death were high, and people started rushing to get vaccinated. We heard from many of our communities and our partners, that government clinics were short of vaccines and were turning scores of people away. We conducted 6 vaccination camps through which we were able to vaccinate 3,000 people. This involved door-to-door campaigning for a week prior to each camp, for the vaccination drive we worked with a private hospital which provided the medical team and data entry staff for registration on the government portal, for a cost of Rs.700 per person vaccinated.



In 20 months through all our covid relief response interventions we were able to provide easy access to covid screening, healthcare, and vaccines to 281,000 patients across the city. Overall, this was at a cost of only Rs.17.38 per person.

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Anahat Foundation – Statutory Details

Registrations:

Registered as a Trust, Registration number 496/17.18 dated November 15, 2017 & Amendment to Trust Deed, Registration Number 588/17.18 dated January 9^{th} , 2018.

Certifications:

- Registered under Section 12A
- Registered under Section 80G

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