## **BIOGRAPHY**

## Prof. Ashraf Alzaabi



Dr. Ashraf Alzaabi is the Head of Respiratory Division at Zayed Military Hospital in Abu Dhabi. He graduated from the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland 1997 and did his training in Internal medicine and Respirology for six years at the University of Toronto, Canada 2000-2006 where he was board certified in both specialties in Canada and USA.

Since his arrival to UAE he managed to develop a state of the art patient services in the Respiratory Medicine Division at Zayed Hospital and this included establishing the first sleep laboratory in Abu Dhabi and the first endoscopy center performing Endobronchial ultrasound guided biopsy procedures in UAE.

In 2007, he was appointed as a Clinical Assistant Professor in Internal Medicine at the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences (FMHS) at UAE University.

Ashraf Alzaabi won many distinction awards such as the prestigious Murray Muirhead Award (2001) from the University of Toronto during his residency program. In 2013, He won the Abu Dhabi Medical Distinction Award in Clinical Performance launched by the Health Authority in Abu Dhabi (HAAD).

He was appointed as the Director of Medical Education 2007-2010 at Zayed Military Hospital. During this period, He succeeded to get the recognition of the Arab Board to start the first residency training program at Zayed Hospital in Internal Medicine. He engineered a memorandum agreement between the faculty of Medicine at UAE University and Zayed Hospital. The signing of this agreement recognized Zayed Hospital as a training hospital for the medical students and residents during their undergraduate and postgraduate studies.

In 2010, He finished a two year program at Zayed University doing an Executive Master in Health Care Administration. This helped during his posts at many important administrative positions both at Zayed Military Hospital and at other national organizations. He is a member of the Medical Executive Council (MEC) at Zayed Military Hospital which responsibilities include setting short and long term strategic goals for the institution. He served as the Chair of the Internal Medicine Examination Committee at the Health Authority of Abu Dhabi for the term 2010-2014.

Medical research and academic work has always been of great interest to him. He is an editor at the "CHEST" journal, middle east edition. He published the first UAE prevalence study on chronic obstructive pulmonary disease at the Respiratory Medicine Journal in 2011. His main interest in research includes Asthma, COPD and Sleep Medicine.

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