

OLD IS GOLD

Over the years, many Professors of every specialty have retired and just gone into oblivion. Few, may be remembered by their trainees. The person who eventually reaches the level of professorship has spent almost 15-20 years training in their respective specialty. During latter tenure they have trained many protégé's. Then, as a Professor they reach new heights of knowledge along with teaching students and trainees. Though with their busy schedule they can not do justified teaching of their students or trainees. A seasoned Professor when reaches their utmost level of competency, unfortunately, it is time to retire. Thereby, another steps in and the cycle is repeated. Though it maybe said that not all have same level of expertise but still eons of experience over the years should account for something.

In this entire scenario we do retire doctors at 60 years of age in government posts, but private practice is continued by almost everyone of them .In fact, their practice booms at this stage for the last few years before finally dying out.

So, if "OLD IS GOLD" then why at teaching institutions and hospitals aren't these retired doctors expertise and knowledge utilized. The Professors who are willing should be called upon to give specific topic lectures to the budding minds. Latter, usually, aren't given as much time due to busy schedule of seniors. Even trainees can be given some brushing lectures, which can help groom them.

Surely a number of these professors would be willing to talk even honorary. But, if some token of appreciation is given to them, for their freelance lectures then no harm done. This is not an issue,

Whoever, are the think tanks should get their heads together and think on these points. Retired is just a 7 letter word but holds a person's lifetime achievement in its essence. These doctors are retired not retarded.

So, let us take some time out to find a way of utilizing mature knowledgeable personalities to our best advantage.

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