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Dr. Niazi is a Pakistani-Saudi Arabian physician. He served as a military doctor in the Saudi Arabian National Guard Medical Services for three decades, later becoming its director, as well as being a family physician in the Saudi royal family and founding the Islamabad Medical and Dental College in Pakistan.

Early Life and Education

Dr. Niazi was born in 1937 in Musakhel, Punjab, and graduated in medicine from the Nishtar Medical College in Multan in 1960. He worked for three years under the Health Department in Pakistan, before moving to Saudi Arabia in 1963 where he joined the Saudi Ministry of Health. Dr. Niazi has a Fellowship in Medicine from the Vienna University in Austria, and a postgraduate diploma specializing in skin diseases from the University of Liverpool School of Medicine, UK.

Medical Career

After working under the Saudi health ministry for two years, he joined the Saudi Arabian National Guard Medical Services' western wing in 1965, where he ultimately rose to become its director-general. He remained associated with the Saudi military medical service for over three decades. He also served as the personal and family physician of then-Prince Abdullah bin Abdulaziz, who would later become King. In addition, he was the director of the King Khalid National Guard Hospital in Jeddah. In 1986, Dr. Niazi was granted Saudi citizenship by Crown Prince Abdullah for his services. On his return to Pakistan in 2004, he established the Islamabad Medical and Dental College. He is a member of the Makkah Foundation, which runs the Punjab School projects. He is also an active social worker.