

LIVE WEBINAR

# Birth Defects Care and Prevention

- Touching the untouched areas



Jointly Organized by:  
Expert Committee on Birth Defects - Sri Lanka Medical Association  
Family Health Bureau - Ministry of Health  
Sri Lanka College of Paediatricians

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THURSDAY - AT 10.30AM

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## PROGRAMME

10.30 am - 10.40 am **Welcome Remarks**



**Dr. Chithramalee de Silva**  
Director / Family Health  
Bureau



**Prof. Samath Dharmaratne**  
President / Sri Lanka Medical  
Association



**Prof. Shaman Rajindrajith**  
President / Sri Lanka College  
of Paediatricians

10.40 am - 10.50 am **Overview of Birth Defects**



**Dr. Kapila Jayaratne**  
Co-Chairperson - Expert Committee on Birth Defects - SLMA,  
National Program Manager - Child Morbidity & Mortality, MoH

10.50 am - 10.55 am **Launch of the Poster on National Birth Defects Registry**

**Dr. Chithramalee de Silva**  
Director / Family Health  
Bureau

**Dr. Manjula Danansuriya**  
NPO World Health  
Organization

**Prof. Shaman Rajindrajith**  
President / Sri Lanka College  
of Paediatricians

10.55 am - 11.10 am **Global Best Practices on Birth Defects Care and Prevention**



**Dr. Manjula Danansuriya**  
NPO World Health Organization

11.10 am - 11.25 am **Diagnosing the undiagnosed - Genetic Testing & Counselling**



**Prof. Vajira Dissanayake**  
Co-Chairperson - Expert Committee on Birth Defects - SLMA,  
Dean - Faculty of Medicine, University of Colombo

11.25 am - 11.40 am **Covid19 and possible birth defects**



**Prof. Neelika Malavige**  
Professor and Head,  
Department of Immunology and Molecular Medicine

11.40 am - 11.55 am **Caring for a child with congenital heart disease**



**Dr. Duminda Samarasinghe**  
Consultant Paediatric Cardiologist

11.55 am - 12.10 pm **Management of a child with Down Syndrome**



**Dr. Saraji Wijesekara**  
Secretary - SLMA expert committee in rehabilitation  
Past president SLACD

12.10 pm **Closing Remarks & End of sessions**



**Dr. Dineshani Hettiarachchi**  
Convenor - Expert Committee on Birth Defects