



## 1<sup>st</sup> Annual International Conference on Public Health 2015 – (ICOPH 2015)

1<sup>st</sup> Annual International Conference on Public Health 2015 was held from 13<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> May in Colombo, Sri Lanka. The conference marked the closure successfully with over 75 participants from more than 20 countries. Countries are Australia, China, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Singapore, Nepal, Sri Lanka, South Africa, Sudan, Iraq, Thailand, Bangladesh, Poland, USA, United Kingdom etc.

There were 54 oral presentations 03 poster presentations and also 10 virtual presentations. The objective of this conference was to create a platform to discuss about the real meaning of promoting global health together with equitable access to health system while providing an opportunity to further debate about concepts, potentials, policies and decisions which can be used to fill the world with the healthiest human beings. We believed that we successfully achieved that objective during the conference.

As per the schedule, conference was chaired by Prof. Dr. Hematram Yadav. 04 key note speeches were delivered by Prof. Dr. Hematram Yadav, Prof. Chia Kee Seng, Dr. Chithramalee de Silva and Dr. Sumudu Vipulaguna Rajasinghe.

Conference schedule divided in to a poster session and 11 main themes namely,

- 01. Epidemiology Of Infectious Diseases
- 02. Public Health Policy And Management
- 03. Water Sanitation And Solid Waste Management
- 04. Public Health Nutrition And Wellness
- 05. Accessibility And Health Disparities In Health Care
- 06. Substance Abuse, Alcohol And Society
- 07. Maternal Health
- 08. Primary Health Care, Public Health Laws And Health Promotion
- 09. Child Health
- 10. Social And Community-Based Public Health
- 11. Environmental And Occupational Health
- 12. Poster Session

In the awarding ceremony organizing committee awarded 02 awards to Best Student presenter and Best Delegate presenter as follows.

## **Best Presentation Award Delegate**

**Dr. Tengku Alina Tengku Ismail** (Department of Community Medicine, School of Medical Sciences, Universiti Sains Malaysia, Malaysia)

## **Best Presentation Award Student**

**Ms. Sasini Jayaweera** (Department of Allied Health Sciences, Faculty of Medical Sciences, University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Nugegoda, Sri Lanka)

In the awarding ceremony organizing committee awarded 12 awards to best presenters in each session as follows.

## **Best Presentation Awards Winners**

01. EPIDEMIOLOGY OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

**Miss. Nadeera Nilupamali Sirisena** (Department of Microbiology, Faculty of Medicine, University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka)

02. PUBLIC HEALTH POLICY AND MANAGEMENT

Ms. Kansara Khushi (Indian Institute of Public health Gandhinagar, Gujarat, India)

03. WATER SANITATION AND SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

Ms. Greer Dawson (NSW Public Health Training Program, NSW Ministry of Health, Australia)

04. PUBLIC HEALTH NUTRITION AND WELLNESS

Ms. G. Naline (Madras School of Economics, Chennai, India)

05. ACCESSIBILITY AND HEALTH DISPARITIES IN HEALTH CARE

**Ms. Farhana Hossain** (Saw Swee Hock School of Public Health, National University of Singapore, Singapore)

06. SUBSTANCE ABUSE, ALCOHOL AND SOCIETY

**Prof. K. R. Thankappan** (Achutha Menon Centre for Health Science Studies, Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology, Trivandrum, India)

07. MATERNAL HEALTH

Mr. Baral Bhuwan (CARE Nepal, Nepal)

08. PRIMARY HEALTH CARE, PUBLIC HEALTH LAWS AND HEALTH PROMOTION

Mr. Althaf Marsoof (Dickson Poon School of Law, King's College London, UK)

09. CHILD HEALTH

Ms. Thomas Jyothi (Department of Optometry, School of Allied Health Sciences, Manipal, India)

10. SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY-BASED PUBLIC HEALTH

Dr. Kamlesh Kumari Sharma (College of Nursing, All India Institute of Medical Sciences)

11. ENVIRONMENTAL AND OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH

Dr. Mohd Nazri Shafei (Department of Community Medicine, Universiti Sains Malaysia, Malaysia)

12. POSTER SESSION

**Dr. Mohd Ridzuan bin Janudin** (Department of Community Medicine, School of Medical Sciences, Universiti Sains Malaysia







