

Faculty of Medicine University of Colombo

Annual Research Symposium 2016

Empowering Health Care Professionals and Public: The Way Forward

14th October 2016, 8.30 am–4.00 pm at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Colombo

PROGRAMME

8.30-8.50 am	Registration
8.50-9.00 am	Academic Procession of the Inauguration Ceremony of the Annual Research Symposium
9.00-9.10 am	National Anthem and Lighting of the Oil Lamp
9.10-9.15 am	Welcome Address by Prof. Priyadarshini Galappathy, Chairperson, Faculty of Medicine Research Symposium Organizing Committee
9.15-9.20 am	Address by the Dean, Faculty of Medicine Prof. Jennifer Perera
9.20-9.25 am	Address by the Vice-Chancellor Prof. Lakshman Dissanayake
9.25-9.30 am	Address by the Chief Guest Prof. A.H Sheriffdeen
9.30-9.50 am	Address by the Guest of Honour Prof. Barbara Gastel Professor of Integrative Biosciences and Medical Humanities, Texas A&M University
9.50-10.30 am	Faculty Oration: ‘A ten year journey of diabetes research in Sri Lanka’ Dr. Prasad Katulanda, Senior Lecturer, Department of Clinical Medicine.
10.30-10.35 am	Vote of Thanks by Dr. Shreenika Welinge Secretary, Organizing Committee
10.35-11.00 am	Tea Poster Presentations
11.00-11.30 am	Keynote Address: ‘Empowering the public: Challenges and responses’ Dr. Vinya Ariyaratne, Director, Sarvodaya
11.30-12.30 am	Free Paper Session 1 (Oral presentations OP1-OP5)
12.30-1.00 pm	Plenary Lecture: ‘Research in medical humanities: A resource for health care professionals and the public’, Prof. Barbara Gastel
1.00-2.00 pm	Lunch Poster Presentations
2.00-3.00 pm	Free Paper Session 2 (Oral presentations OP6-OP10)
3.00-4.00 pm	Symposium on ‘Empowering the Mindset’
3.00-3.20 pm	<i>‘Healthcare Professionals’</i> - Prof. Diyanath Samarasinghe
3.20-3.40 pm	<i>‘Empowering the Mind’</i> - Dr. Tara de Mel
3.40-4.00 pm	<i>‘Health Sector Perspective’</i> - Dr. Susie Perera
4.00-4.15 pm	Discussion
4.15-4.25 pm	Awards Ceremony
4.25-4.30 pm	Combined Faculty Song
4.30 pm	Reception
