

PROGRAMME

- 5.00 – 5.10 Ceremonial opening and lighting of the traditional oil lamp
- 5.10 – 5.25 Welcome addresses in Sinhala, Tamil and English
- 5.25 – 5.35 Address by Dr. Neil Fernando
- 5.35 – 5.45 A brief introduction to SHARE initiative by Prof. Atif Rahman
- 5.45 – 5.55 Address by Guest of Honour Prof. Narada Warnasuriya
(Former Vice Chancellor and Professor of Paediatrics University of Sri Jayewardenepura)
- 5.55 – 6.05 Address by Dr. Lalith Chandradasa
(National Coordinator for Nutrition, Presidential Secretariat)
- 6.05 – 6.15 Address by Dr. Nihal Jayathilaka
(Secretary, Ministry of Health)
- 6.15 – 6.30 Address by Dr. Palitha Maheepala
(Director General, Ministry of Health)
- 6.30 – 6.40 Address by The Chief Guest Hon. Lalith Dissanayake
(Deputy Minister of Health)
- 6.40 – 6.50 Sri Lankan National Mental Health Survey - Dr. Athula Sumathipala
(Hon. Director, Institute for Research & Development)
- 6.50 – 7.30 Keynote speech by Prof. Vikram Patel
(Professor of international mental health)
- 7.30 – 7.35 Vote of thanks
- 7.35 – 7.45 Reception

INVITATION



SOUTH ASIAN HUB FOR
ADVOCACY, RESEARCH &
EDUCATION
ON MENTAL HEALTH

Public awareness meeting

Keynote address: "From Science To Action-What We Can All Do
To Beat Depression"

&

Presentation on the National Mental Health Survey of Sri Lanka

Organized by



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Executive Council of the Institute for Research & Development
&
SHARE Senior Management Committee

Cordially Invite

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to the

Mental Health Public Awareness Meeting

At 5.00pm

26th July 2013

Venue : Grand Oriental Hotel (Lotus hall) 02, York Street,
Colombo 01

**“FROM SCIENCE TO ACTION - WHAT WE CAN ALL DO
TO BEAT DEPRESSION”**

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Presentation on the National Mental Health Survey

by Dr. Athula Sumathipala

Chief Guest: Hon. Lalith Dissanayake, Deputy Minister of Health

Guests of Honour:

Prof.Narada Warnasuriya, Former Vice Chancellor of
University of Jayewardenepura

Dr. Nihal Jayathilaka, Secretary of the Ministry of Health

Dr. Palitha Maheepala, Director General of the Ministry of Health

Dr. Lalith Chandradasa, National Co-ordinator for Nutrition,
Presidential Secretariat

Joint chairs: Dr.Neil Fernando and Prof. Atif Rahaman