DEPARTMENT OF PEDIATRICS, ALL INDIA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES; NEW DELHI

AUTISM AWARENESS AND WAY FORWARD

Empowering the children with autism and their families

Date: 17/04/14 Venue: Conference hall (JLN Auditorium)

Chief Guest: Shri Lov Verma, Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India

Time: 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

- ❖ 9:30 a.m.: Lamp lighting
 - **Welcome song by children with Autism and their siblings**
 - **↓** Inauguration program (coordinated by Dr. Sheffali Gulati)
 - **♣** Prof V. K. Paul, HOD, Department of Pediatrics, AIIMS, New Delhi: Welcome address
 - **♣** Prof D. K. Sharma, Medical Superintendent, AIIMS, New Delhi: Address
 - **↓** Shri T. D. Dhariyal, Deputy Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities; Department of Disability Affairs, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment; Government of India: Government strategies for empowering children with special needs
 - Mrs. Poonam Natrajan, Chairperson, National Trust: Role of National Trust in supporting children with special needs and their families
 - **UNICEF Representative**
 - **♣** Prof M. C. Mishra, Director, AIIMS, New Delhi: Address
 - Shri Lov Verma, Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India: Inaugural address
 - **Address and release of DVD and patient information material on Autism & other**Neurodevelopmental Disorders
 - Group performance (Dance) by sibings of autistic children
 - **↓** Vote of thanks: Dr. Savita Sapra
 - National Anthem
- ❖ 10.30 am TO 11.00 am: Tea
- **❖** 11:00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m: Panel Discussion
 - **Moderator: Dr. Sheffali Gulati and Dr Savita Sapra**
 - ♣ Panelists: Dr. Madhulika, Ms. Merry Barua, Ms. Madhumati, Ms. Manavi Jalan, Dr. SandhyaGupta, Dr. Biswaroop, Dr. Neerja Gupta, Dr. R. Dubey
- ❖ 12.30 pm. to 01:00 p.m.: Sibling perspective (Dr. Savita Sapra, Ms. Sumita, Mr. Raqib Ali)
- Way forward......

Requesting for your esteemed presence:

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