

Present Position and Duties

Position: Senior Lecturer in Anaesthesiology / Head, Department of Anaesthesiology

Specialist in Anaesthesiology, Teaching Hospital – Karapitiya and Mahamodara,
Galle, Sri Lanka

Duties : Undergraduate teaching – 3rd, 4th and Final year Medical students

Postgraduate teaching – Medical officers, Registrars and Senior registrars in

Anaesthesiology and Critical Care Medicine

Works as a Specialist Anaesthetist and In charge of the High Dependency care

Unit – Ward 05, TH Karapitiya.

Specialist in charge - Pre Anaesthetic Clinic on every Friday

Educational Qualifications

1. MBBS – University of Ruhuna – 1995 - Second Class Lower
2. MD (Anaesthesiology) – University of Colombo – March 2004
3. FRCA – Royal College of Anaesthetists, United Kingdom – July 2006
4. FCARCSI – College of Anaesthetists of Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland – May 2007
5. Board Certified as a Specialist in Anaesthesiology – March 2006

Publications

1. Hapuarachchi UI, Peiris S, Karunaratne N. (Case Report) Closure of an Atrial Septal Defect in a patient with Sick Cell Thalassaemia on Cardio- Pulmonary Bypass. *19th Annual Scientific Sessions of the College of Anaesthesiologists of Sri Lanka- 2003*
2. Gunaratne A, Hapuarachchi U. Percutaneous Tracheostomy: A modified technique for resource-poor setting. *Sri Lankan Journal of Anaesthesiology* 17(1): 45-46 (2009)

3. Gunaratne A, Hapuarachchi U I, Manoja Hemanthi: Audit of cost on maintaining a Critical Care Unit. *Anaesthesia, Pain & Intensive Care* 2010;14(1):32-34

Presentations

1. Closure of an Atrial Septal Defect in a patient with Sickle Cell Thalassaemia on Cardio-Pulmonary Bypass.

19th Annual Scientific Sessions, College of Anaesthesiologists of Sri Lanka – January 2003
2. Assessment of Motor block following post operative continuous Epidural Analgesia.

Audit Meeting, Department of Anaesthetics, Medway Maritime Hospital, Gillingham, Kent, United Kingdom – April 2006
3. Anaesthesia for Emergency Caesarean Section

Joint Sessions, Sri Lanka College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists and College of Anaesthesiologists of Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka Medical Association – February 2009
4. Pain Relief in Labour – Epidural analgesia

Ante-natal Forum, Teaching Hospital, Mahamodara, Galle – November 2009
5. Anaesthetic challenges in Maxillo-facial surgery.

08th Annual Scientific Sessions, Sri Lanka Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons – April 2011

Activities

1. A member of the following committees appointed by the Faculty Board.
 - Convener of the Auditorium committee
 - Member of the B Sc Pharmacy committee
 - Convener of the committee for formulating guidelines for accepting foreign universities
 - Member of the Ruhuna Faculty of Medicine Teachers Association
2. Unit coordinator of the Health Sector Development project (HSDP) workshops –
Stabilization & Transport of Critically ill Patient and Operation Theatre training for Nurses.
3. Resource person in the Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation workshop for Nurses organized by the Sri Lanka Heart Association and College of Cardiologists, Sri Lanka
4. Visiting Lecturer and Unit coordinator in the Diploma in Critical Care, conducted by the Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, University of Colombo
5. Resource person in the Postgraduate lecture series (MD Part 1A, 1B and CCA) organized by the College of Anaesthesiologists & Intensivists of Sri Lanka
6. European Resuscitation Council trained Advanced Life Support Instructor and Coordinator of Resuscitation Courses at Teaching Hospital, Karapitiya.
7. Resource person and coordinator of Community and School Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and Fundamentals in First Aid programme conducted by the Galle Medical Association in collaboration with Department of Anaesthesiology, Faculty of Medicine, Galle.
8. Former member of the Specialty Board in Critical Care Medicine, Post Graduate Institute of Medicine, Colombo.
9. Former Secretary – Board of Study in Anaesthesiology, Post Graduate Institute of Medicine, Colombo

10. Member of the Board of Study in Anaesthesiology, Post Graduate Institute of Medicine, Colombo
11. Examiner – MD Anaesthesiology Part 1A, Certificate of Competence in Anaesthesiology and Diploma in Critical Care Medicine conducted by the Post Graduate Institute of Medicine, University of Colombo.

Membership of Professional bodies

1. Sri Lanka Medical Council
2. College of Anaesthesiologists & Intensivists of Sri Lanka
3. Royal College of Anaesthetists, United Kingdom
4. Board of Study in Anaesthesiology, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka

International Scientific meetings and Conferences attended

- 3 day Course on Obstetric Anaesthesia and Analgesia organized by Obstetric Anaesthetists' Association, United Kingdom – 21st – 23rd November 2005
- Conference on Asia Pacific Critical Care organized by MAX Healthcare, Surajkund, India - 5th & 6th December 2009

Institutional Development Activities

- Setting up of the *03 bedded High Dependency care Unit (HDU)* with donations in ward 05, Teaching Hospital, Karapitiya.
- Introduction of *Anaesthetic monitoring chart, Pre-operative check list, HDU monitoring chart and protocols to the HDU.*
- Introduction of *Objectives to the Anaesthesiology* appointment.
- Introduction of *OSCE component as an assessment tool* for the Anaesthesiology appointment.
- Setting up of the first *Pre Anaesthetic Clinic* in Teaching Hospital, Karapitiya.

- Introduction of *Colour coded Syringe labelling system* in Operating theatres of Teaching Hospital, Karapitiya.
- Introduction of *Waste Disposal System* to the Faculty of Medicine
- Commencement of a new *Department of Anaesthesiology* in Faculty of Medicine, Galle and the first Head of the new department.
- Commencement of *Anaesthesia service at Department of Radiology (MRI Suite)* at Teaching Hospital, Karapitiya
- Contribution (training) to the setting up of the *First Aid Team* in the University of Ruhuna
- Active involvement in setting up of the *Piped Medical Gases, Vacuum & Scavenging system* in the Operation theatres A- F in TH Karapitiya

Referees

1. Dr. (Mrs) Ramya Amarasena. (MBBS, MD)

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