

COLLOQUIUM BY INDIRA SAMARAWICKREMA

HEALTH ADVOCACY - AN AUSTRALIAN EXPERIENCE IN IMPLEMENTATION

TIME: 5:00-6:00 PM, MONDAY, 22 MAY 2017

VENUE: ACADEMIC BUILDING 1079

Health Advocacy - An Australian experience in implementation

Speaker: Dr Indira Samarawickrema, MBBS MSc (Community Medicine), MD (Community Medicine) FHEA



*This event is also a **faculty recruitment seminar for Global Health Program.**

ABSTRACT:

Factors outside of health care settings determine an individual's health. Many of the determinants are outside an individual's personal loci of control. Doctors have to move beyond the individual patient care to advocate for the promotion of health of the community. The Australian Medical Council recognized it and identified health advocacy (HA) as a core domain of competencies for medical graduates. Health advocacy is the process of influencing social and political milieu to promote health. Australian medical schools' curricula may include implicit and explicit learning outcomes on teaching and learning HA. Dr Samarawickrema will discuss her current work on an evidence-based intervention for health advocacy with scaffolded, resourced, experiential learning.

BIO:

Dr Indira Samarawickrema is a public health physician turned academic with extensive practice, teaching and research supervision experiences. She has national level experiences in Sri Lanka in public health medicine and in academia at the Australian National University, University of Florida, University of Notre Dame Australia WA and Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka. Her expertise in global and environmental health include interventions, epidemiology, research methodologies, biostatistics, programs/projects implementation and evaluation.

This event is open to all and entry is on a first come, first served basis. For any queries email yg73@duke.edu or call 3665 7149.