

# **Sri Lanka Medical Council (SLMC) Marks 100 Years of Regulation of Health Professionals**

## **SLMC to Celebrate its Centenary with National and International Events in Colombo**



The Sri Lanka Medical Council (SLMC), the national regulatory authority for medical, dental, and allied health professions, will commemorate its 100th anniversary on 5 July 2025 with a series of landmark events in Colombo, Sri Lanka.

Established in 1925 and originally modeled after the UK's General Medical Council, the SLMC has evolved into a dynamic and independent institution committed to upholding high standards in medical education, professional conduct, and public safety. Over the past century, the Council has played a central role in protecting the health of the nation by ensuring that only qualified, ethical, and competent professionals are entrusted with patient care.

As the SLMC celebrates this important milestone, it is also reaffirming its future vision: embracing innovation, strengthening transparency, and aligning more closely with international best practices in regulation. This includes enhanced digitalization of regulatory processes, emphasis on continuing professional development (CPD), and proactive engagement with both professionals and the public.

### **A Global Gathering of Regulators and Health Leaders**

The centenary celebrations will be held at the Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall (BMICH) in Colombo. The program includes:

- **An academic symposium** (9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) focused on current and emerging themes in health professional regulation
- **A national commemorative ceremony** in the evening, attended by the Prime Minister of Sri Lanka as Chief Guest and dignitaries from both local and international regulatory bodies

The SLMC is honored to welcome distinguished invitees from around the world, including Ms. Joan Simeon, the Chair/IAMRA, who will be delivering the keynote address, and Dame Carrie MacEwen, the Chair/General Medical Council (UK). The timing also coincides with a WHO-facilitated meeting on

health personnel regulation in Colombo on 3–4 July 2025, further enabling regional and global collaboration.

### **SLMC and IAMRA: A Shared Commitment to Safer, Smarter Regulation**

The SLMC is proud of its continued engagement with the international regulatory community and values its participation in IAMRA's mission to promote effective medical regulation worldwide. As healthcare systems evolve and global mobility increases, Sri Lanka Medical Council hopes to engage in dialogue, knowledge exchange, and partnership with fellow members of IAMRA.

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