

## CALLING FOR APPLICATIONS

### AWARD FOR YOUNG OUTSTANDING PAEDIATRICIAN BY THE SRI LANKA COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICIANS 2023

With great pleasure, the Sri Lanka College of Paediatricians is calling for applications for the award for Young Outstanding Consultant Paediatrician of Sri Lanka. This award is bestowed on Young Consultant General Paediatrician/s and Young Consultant Paediatric Sub-Specialist/s, who have been involved in outstanding work to develop clinical services in their workplaces and contributed to the development of paediatric care in the country.

The eligible candidates should have made a significant and assessable impact with regard to the development of infrastructure, services, innovations, training and paediatric research.

#### Eligibility

- All Board-Certified Consultant General Paediatricians and Board-Certified Consultant Paediatric Sub-Specialists, currently working in and resident in Sri Lanka have been board certified within the last 12 years. This date implies the backdated official date of board certification. For the 2023 awards, the eligible candidates should have been board certified after the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2011.

#### How to apply?

The eligible candidates are expected to fill out a google form where they would be expected to write a brief outline of their innovative contributions to the betterment of paediatric care locally in their geographical area and/or nationally. The write-up should not exceed 750 words and should be presented with evidence where relevant. The evidence can be attached as separate documents. The writeup should be based on the following items:

- Infrastructure and service development
- Service commitment
- Community involvement
- Role in the clinical societies, bodies and institutional committees
- Teaching and training
- Paediatric Research
- Role during national crises/disasters

The link for the google form will be displayed on the official website of the Sri Lanka College of Paediatricians.

### **Selection process**

- A panel of judges will be appointed and approved by the Sri Lanka College of Paediatricians. The judges will shortlist suitable candidates from the nominations.
- After shortlisting the candidates, the judges will have a physical meeting with the selected candidates where each of the candidates will be expected to do a 15-minute oral presentation on their contribution using PowerPoint, which should include evidence of the work they have described in their applications (Eg: photographs/ publications/ letters of appreciation etc.)
- Only one award per year will be offered, and the judges' decision will be the final if the judges feel that no applicant has made an outstanding contribution that the award may not be given in a particular year.
- Any candidate who was awarded the outstanding young paediatrician once is not eligible to apply for the award again. Those applicants who have been unsuccessful in a given year could reapply in subsequent years. As this award is given for the first time, this rule will apply only from next year.

### **Important dates**

- Deadline for submissions – By 16.00 hours of the 21<sup>st</sup> of March
- The date for the oral presentation will be informed once the candidates are shortlisted
- Award bestowed in May during the Inauguration Ceremony of the Annual Congress