



**THE CIRCLE
OF CARE 2026**



Conference Agenda

WEDNESDAY 5TH AUGUST

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 9:00 am to 9:45 am **Registration and Tea/Coffee**

Panel- Integrative Health Care: A Holistic Approach to Patient-Centred Care.

Dr. B.N Gangadhar (fomer Director NIMHANS)

Dr. Kishore Kumar (HOD, Integrative medicine, NIMHANS)

Dr. Praful Barvalia (Homoeopath, Founder Spandan, Mumbai)

Dr. C.P Ravi (paediatric Neurologist, KIMS Modertor)

Dr. Harleen Kaur (Research officer, CCRH)

 9:45 am to 10:45 am

 11:00 am to 12:30 pm

Inaugural Ceremony

Panel- Community-based models of care -

Shri .Basavraju (Former Commissioner RPwD Act, CEO Maya)

Mrs. Vasanthi Srinivasan (Dean, Alumni relations & development, IIMB)

Dr.Manoj Patel (HOD-Psychiatry, M.L.Dhawale Memorial Homoeopathic PG Institute)

Dr. Kshama Metre (National Director, CORD, Developmental Paediatrician)

Mr. Prateek Madav (CEO & Co-Founder AssisTech Foundation)

 12:45 pm to 1:30 pm

Parent as Therapists -

Vaishali Pai (Founder, Director, Tamahar)

Vani Rajendra



LUNCH

1:30 pm to 2:30 pm

 2:30 pm to 3:00 pm

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Parents' emotions & wellbeing- Akila

Vaidyanathan (Founder, Director- AMAZE trust, Coimbatore) , Vijaya Siddalingappa (Clinical Psychologist, Florida)

 3:00 pm to 3.30 pm

Activites of Mitra and Project Soukhyas- Mitra's model of care-

Dr. Savitha S Wani (Head Rural Project, Mitra for Life), Panchayat

 3.30 pm to 4:00 pm

Circle of care model - Mitra for Life-

Dr Madhuri Vaidyeswar

 4.15 pm to 5.15pm

Panel- Parenting in the Digital Era

Usha Madan (Psychologist)

Dr Preethi Galgali (Paediatrician & Adolescent Health Specialist)

Nishath Kirmani (Parent & Secretary- Autism Society of India)

Mr. Vishal Talreja (Co-Founder, Dream a Dream)

Mr. Shrihari Prahalad (Founder, Spryen)

Scientific session:

Importance of early intervention- Dr Gowri R.C

Epilepsy in Neurodevelopmental disorders- Dr CP Ravi

Community based physio rehab- Dr Pallavi Wajapey



TEA



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THURSDAY 6TH AUGUST

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**9:30 am to
10:15 am**

Communication, learning & daily independence —
By Mrs. Sumathi Ramjee

Building evidence-based research models — Dr. Harleen Kaur



**10:15 am to
11:15 am**

Panel - Early Intervention in Neurodevelopmental disorders —
Dr. Gowri R.C (Developmental Physician, KIMS),
Ms. Aarti Rajaratnam (Leading Psychologist & Author),
Dr. Babitha Jaypal (Clinical head, Mitra for Life),
Dr. Disha Rao (Homoeopathic Paediatric consultant)

1. Child developmental care- accessible grassroots care- by Dr Kshama Metre ;
2. Overcoming the biopsychosocial challenges of Autism- Dr. Manoj Patel
Session chair: Dr. Prabhakar



TEA BREAK

11:15 am to 11:30 pm



**11:30 am to
12:30 pm**

Panel - Special Education - Building Independence —
Seetha Krishnamurthy (Founder, Deepika School),
Vaishali Pai (Founder, Tamahar),
Hema Nataraj (Founder, Nityasadhana)
Anupama Ramsesh (Child psychologist)

Thematic session:
Spandan Model of Care - Dr. Piyush Oza
Clinician to Community Care - Dr Praful Barvalia
Overcoming the biopsychosocial challenges of Autism - Dr. Manoj Patel.



**12:30 pm to
1:30 pm**

Keynote address- DeAnna Pursai
(College of Adaptive Arts, California)



LUNCH

1:30 pm to 2:30 pm



**2:30 pm to
3:30 pm**

Preparing for Adulthood- Child to Citizen
DeAnna Pursai (College of Adaptive Arts)
Usha Pattabhiraman (Asst. Director Enable India),
Akila Vaidyanathan (AMAZE Trust CBE),
Pranav (Neurodiverse youngster)

Gut Health & Autism - A grounded study- Dr Madhuri Vaidyeswar
(Founder, Mitra for Life, Homoeopath)



**3:30 pm to
4:15 pm**

Resource Session - Handling Adolescence **Paper Presentation**
by Ms. Aarti Rajaratnam (Psychologist & Author, Salem)



**4:15 pm to
5:00 pm**

VALEDICTORY



**5:00 pm to
6:00 pm**

TEA / EXPERIENCE SSDP

