

Minutes of the District Review Meeting on Leprosy Control Activities Kegalle District- 10.05.2016

The district review meeting 2016 in Kegalle district was held at the RDHS office-Kegalle Auditorium with the participation of the following officials on 10th May 2016.

Anti-Leprosy Campaign	Dr.M.L.S.N.Fernando Director- ALC Dr.Supun Wijesinghe Consultant Community Physician-ALC Dr.Gayan Piyasena MO-HI/ALC , Dr.S.M Amarasekera MO-ALC
District Participants	Dr Wijith Gunasekera RDHS - Kegalle. Dr(Mrs) J Galahitiyawa, Consultant Dermatologist BH Warakapola, Dr(Mrs) P H Abeygunawardhane Consultant Dermatologist , BH Karawanella. Dr(Mrs) M K D Tissera, Consultant Dermatologist , BH Mawanella. Dr.H G A S J Bandara-Regional Epidemiologist – Kegalle Dr C Nugawela, MO Dermatology, BH Warakapola. Dr,K M S Kumara,MO Dermatology, BH Karawanella. Dr. SMKR Senanayake, MOPH BH Karawanella. Dr. DB Nayakarathne MOH Galigamuwa Dr.AMHK Attanayake MOH Rambukkana Dr.ERA Gunasekera AMOH Bulathkohupitiya Dr VPI Liyanage MOH Yatiyantota Dr.DAIU Dissanayake MOOPD, BH Mawanella Dr MASP Buddhadasa MO Quality, RDHS Kegalle Dr RSAMN Karunarathne MO Dermatology GH- Kegalle Dr DTN Ariyapala AMOH Warakapola MOOH, SPHIs, LCPHI, In -charge nursing officers, Chief Pharmacist-RMSD, Pharmacists, PHLT's, HEO, Physiotherapist BH Warakapola

Dr Vijith Gunasekera RDHS, started the session with welcome speech and brief introduction on objectives of the meeting.

Dr Supun Wijesinghe CCP- ALC presented Leprosy situation of the country and Kegalle district.

Dr(Mrs) P H Abeygunawardhane Consultant Dermatologist , BH Karawanella. presented a lecture on clinical features, disability assessment and management of leprosy to raise awareness on early recognition of the disease.

Dr(Mrs) MKD Tissera, Consultant Dermatologist, BH Mawanella presented on clinical aspect on identification and management of leprosy relapses. She also presented three case scenarios of leprosy relapses presented to CLC.

Event	Issues/Suggestions	Actions to be taken	Responsibility
1. Hospital presentation- BH Karawanella	Routine notification (H-544) data need to be strengthened.	Stressed more attention on filling H -544 form by MO	Consultant Dermatologist RE MO Dermatology Nursing officer in charge SPHI/ ICNO/ PHI-LC
	Serious issues associated with stigma even among health staff.	Conduct regular awareness programmes to health staff.	ALC RDHS RE PHI-LC
	Transport to satellite clinic at DH Daraniyagala	RDHS agreed to allocate a vehicle other than an ambulance ALC advice district staff to hire a vehicle and send a proposal for total amount needed for WHO funding.	RDHS, DMO DH Deraniyagala PHI-LC
	Furniture spot lamp and torch not available in the clinic	All facilities are provided to the consultant dermatologist so should be available to her	RDHS RE Consultant Dermatologist DMO Deraniyagala
2. Hospital presentation- BH Warakapola	No enough space at the dermatology clinic.	Will settle with the completion of new building	RDHS
3. Hospital presentation- BH Mawanella	No Medical Officers, Only Consultant Dermatologist	Appoint one MO to Dermatology unit	RDHS RE

4. Hospital presentation GH Kegalle	Not presented		Director - GH Kegalle Consultant Dermatologist
5. Dr Supun Wijesinghe CCP- ALC	Presented details regarding the new IPF format and Leprosy disease surveillance system and forms and registers used in leprosy surveillance		
6. District leprosy situation Dr.HGASJ Bandara-RE	Mismatch of statics received to the ALC with district statistics.	ALC stressed more attention needed in maintaining patient records, files and registers.	RE, Consultant Dermatologist, MO Dermatology, PHI-LC
	High endemic MOH areas Mawanella / Makehelwala, Bulathkohupitiya	extension of community screening programs among vulnerable groups in the selected high endemic areas	RDHS/ RE MOOH/ PHI-LC
	Notifications from hospitals inadequate. Notified percentage only is only 33% in 2015	ALC stressed the importance of routine notification in contact tracing	RDHS,RE, Consultant Dermatologist, MO Dermatology MOOH/ ICNO LC-PHI NOIC skin clinic
7. Discussion	No trained MLT/ PHLT DH Deraniyagala No replacement to release the person for training for 3 days	ALC will train in the next PHLT training programme. RDHS advice to send samples to other nearest laboratory during the 3 day training period.	ALC RDHS RE MS BH Karawanella DMO DH Daraniyagala LCPHI

	Non availability of Dapsone Clofazamine	ALC stressed not to cut MDT cards and stated that they will inquire about the stock status	RDHS MSD In charge RMSD Chief Pharmacist.
	Shortage of appliances in disability management.	ALC will provide the requirement on early request	ALC/ Consultant Dermatologist, MO Dermatology PHI-LC
	Influence of social stigma for patients and leprosy control activities.	Emphasized on more awareness and educational programs.- in the districts	ALC RDHS RE PHI-LC HEO
	Keeping patient's confidentiality during PHI home visits.	Educate and train PHI's in ensuring privacy and confidentiality.	RE SPHI-D PHI-LC

The meeting was adjourned following the vote of thanks by Mr MRJ Gunarathne PHI LC.