

## **Invited Speaker Seminar**



**Title:** Innovation for primary healthcare delivery in resourceconstrained environments

Speaker: Professor Anushka Patel, MBBS, SM, PhD, FRACP, FCSANZ

Host: Professor Tazeen H. Jafar, MD, MPH

DATE	VENUE	TIME
Friday, 24 October 2014	Duke-NUS Amphitheatre, Level 2	3-4pm

## About the Lecture:

Non-communicable diseases are placing an unsustainable burden on health systems globally. In many low and middle income countries, effective primary care for the prevention of chronic diseases is virtually non-existent or very limited for most segments of the population. Innovation is likely to be a key ingredient of successful strategies to improve access to high quality affordable healthcare. This lecture will discuss examples of such innovation relating to technology, workforce engineering and pharmacological approaches, with particular reference to The George Institute's SMART (Systematic Medical Appraisal, Referral and Treatment) Health Program operating in countries across the spectrum of economic development.

## About the Speaker:

Anushka is a Professor of Medicine at The University of Sydney and a cardiologist at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital in Sydney, Australia. She undertook her medical training at the University of Queensland, with subsequent postgraduate research degrees from Harvard University and the University of Sydney. As the Chief Scientist of the George Institute for Global Health, she has a key role in developing and supporting global strategic initiatives across the organisation. Her personal research interests focus on developing innovative solutions for delivering affordable and effective care for non-communicable diseases in the community and in acute care hospital settings. Anushka currently leads research projects relating to these interests in Australia, China and India. She is supported by a Senior Research Fellowship from the Australian National Health and Medical Research Council.

All are welcome

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