

- **Name:** Dr. Renuka Jayatissa (MBBS, M.Sc, MD)
- **Current Position:** Head, Department of Nutrition, Medical Research Institute, Ministry of Health, Colombo
- **Country:** Sri Lanka

- **Educational Background:**
 - Obtained MBBS from the Faculty of Medicine, University of Colombo.
 - Qualified with M.Sc and MD in Community Medicine from Postgraduate institute, Colombo University, and board certified as a Specialist in Community Medicine.
 - Obtained public health nutrition training from Public Health Nutrition Unit, London School of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, United Kingdom
 - Obtained clinical nutrition training in Royal London Hospital, White Chappal, United Kingdom.

- **Professional Experiences:**
 - Worked as a Nutrition Specialist UNICEF.
 - Currently working as a head of the Department of Nutrition Medical Research Institute
 - Work as a Visiting Consultant Medical Nutritionist at National Hospital of Sri Lanka
 - Pioneering to establish Masters in Human Nutrition and MD in clinical Nutrition under postgraduate Institute of Medicine, University of Colombo

- **Professional Organizations:**
 - Advisor to multi sectoral nutrition action plan at Presidential Secretariat
 - Current chairperson of specialty board of Human Nutrition
 - Current President Sri Lanka Medical Nutrition Association
 - Currently working as a member of Nutrition steering committee, Maternal and child nutrition subcommittee, fortification subcommittee, communication subcommittee, School coordination committee, NCD steering committee, Food advisory committee, Food labelling and advertisement committee, Borderline committee for Nutraceuticals, Food security research committee.
 - Past President of Nutrition society of Sri Lanka

- **Main Scientific Publications:**

Conducted many research related to nutritional status during life cycle and micronutrients to support policies and programmes. Many awards, orations and over 50 publications nationally and internationally