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NCD Nursing Innovation Initiative 2026

A Decade of Inspiration — A Future of Innovation in NCD Nursing Care

Non-communicable diseases (NCDs) continue to place a major burden on the Sri Lankan healthcare system. Nurses remain at the forefront of patient care, education, prevention, follow-up, and continuity of care. However, innovative nursing-led service enhancement initiatives are often under-recognized despite their significant impact on patient outcomes and healthcare delivery.

As the Sri Lanka College of Internal Medicine celebrates its 10th anniversary under the theme: “A Decade of Inspiration, A Future of Innovation”, this project aims to inspire and recognize innovative nursing practices that improve NCD prevention, patient education, continuity of care, lifestyle modification, rehabilitation, patient safety, and compassionate service delivery.

Aim

To identify, encourage, support, and recognize innovative nursing-led service enhancement projects related to NCD care and internal medicine across Sri Lanka.

Objectives

- To promote innovation and creativity in nursing practice.
- To improve patient-centered NCD care through practical service enhancement projects.
- To encourage multidisciplinary collaboration in healthcare delivery.
- To identify scalable and sustainable innovations suitable for wider implementation.
- To recognize and appreciate outstanding nursing contributions to healthcare.

Eligible Areas for Projects

Projects may include:

- NCD prevention programmes
- Hypertension or diabetes education initiatives
- Innovative patient counselling systems
- Lifestyle modification programmes
- Medication adherence strategies
- Community screening initiatives
- Digital or AI-assisted nursing tools
- Patient safety initiatives
- Rehabilitation or follow-up systems
- Elderly care innovations
- Ward-based workflow improvements
- Palliative and humane care models
- Clinic efficiency enhancement projects

Target Participants

- Nursing officers working in:
- Medical wards
- Specialized medical units
- Clinics
- Community health settings
- Teaching hospitals
- Base and district hospitals

Projects may be:

- Individual submissions
- Group submissions
- Ward/unit-based initiatives

Eligible projects must be completed between **1st August 2025** and **31st July 2026** and must have been led and implemented by an individual staff nurse or a nursing team.

Applicants are required to submit the following documentation:

- A one-page summary of the project (A4 size), using Times New Roman, font size 11, single-spaced, following the format provided.
- Pictorial evidence of the project's progression in a PowerPoint presentation (maximum 10 slides).
- **For hospital-based projects:** Letters from both *the Head of Institution* and *the Matron/Nurse-in-Charge* of the institution where the project was conducted, confirming the project's authenticity, impact on service improvement, and the applicant's involvement.
- **For public health sector projects:** Letters from *the Head of the Public Health Institution (e.g., MOH/RD)* and the *Matron/Nurse-in-Charge*, verifying the same details.
- An up-to-date CV of the applicant as the coordinator of the project (maximum 2 pages).
- Shortlisted candidates will be invited to deliver a 5-minute online presentation via Zoom
- All documents, including the *project summary, CV, PowerPoint presentation*, and a *cover letter*, should be submitted via email to simcon@slcim.lk with the **subject line:**
"Best Innovative Service Improvement Project in Internal Medicine."

- Deadline for submission: **31st August 2026**

Please note: The project, or any part of it, must not have previously received an award from SLCIM or any similar organization.