

## OBITUARY

### Dr. N. C. Mathur

(14/5/1963 - 1/4/2019)



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Dr. Nitin Chandra Mathur was a leading pediatrician from Hyderabad focusing on Neonatology, Pediatric Intensive care and Infectious Diseases. In addition, he was an active member of the IAP, and by virtue of his proactive involvement, rose to become a Member of the Executive Board. His father, Dr. Y. C. Mathur, was the President of IAP in 2001.

Dr. Nitin did his MBBS from KG Institute of Medical Sciences, Bangalore & his post-graduation in Pediatrics from BJ Wadia Hospital for Children, Bombay and went to do Fellowship in Neonatology in Austria, and later at the prestigious St. Christopher's Hospital for Children in Philadelphia under Prof. Wadro Nelson, author of Nelson's Text Book of Pediatrics. On his return from the US, he joined Deccan Medical College as Assistant Professor and later became Associate Professor in Pediatrics. In 1996, Georgetown University in Washington DC awarded him their International Fellowship to work in Neonatology. In 1998, The Royal College of Pediatrics and Child Health, UK awarded him the Heinz Fellowship to undergo super-specialist training in UK. He was awarded Membership of The Royal College of Pediatrics and Child Health in 1998, and the Fellow, Indian Academy of Paediatrics in 2000.

As a prolific applied researcher, he published 24 research papers and presented in more than 50 conferences. Notably, he was invited as a guest speaker in the Plenary Session on International Child Health at American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Annual Meeting in 2000 in Chicago. He contributed to a number of textbooks, including the IAP Textbook of Pediatrics.

With a great zeal for working in the IAP, he was the Jt. Organizing Secretary of the 37<sup>th</sup> National Conference of IAP – PEDICON 2000 in Hyderabad. In addition, he organized at least 5 more conferences. He was a member of the central executive committee and several national sub-specialty committees of the central IAP. As the Secretary of IAP Twin City branch, he performed exemplary work, which galvanized branch activity and membership.

In his private practice, Dr. Nitin was immensely popular and impacted hundreds of lives every day. He leaves behind his wife Superna, daughter Ridhi & father Dr Y C Mathur.