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## National Guidelines on the Management of Dengue Fever and Dengue Haemorrhagic Fever in Children and Adolescents, May 2023

Dengue continues to be a major health problem with an increasing number of children and adolescent patients being reported. Currently, approximately thirty percent of the Dengue caseload belongs to the age group below 19 years.

Considering the burden of Dengue among children and adolescents in the country and complications it causes, Ministry of Health decided to revise the existing "Guidelines on the management of Dengue fever and Dengue hemorrhagic fever in Children and Adolescents, 2012".

The "National Guidelines on the Management of Dengue Fever and Dengue Haemorrhagic Fever in Children and Adolescents, 2023" is developed based on the best available evidence, which refers to the clinical management of Dengue infection among children and adolescents in Sri Lanka. It has been developed as a collaborative effort of Sri Lanka College of Paediatricians and the National Dengue Control Unit of the Ministry of Health.

For effective implementation of this initiative, all relevant officers are expected to comply with the instructions given in the revised guideline. Please ensure the content of this guideline is communicated to all relevant categories of staff to take appropriate action.

This should be considered as the latest guideline for management of Dengue fever and Dengue Haemorrhagic fever in children and adolescents with immediate effect.

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