Editorial Note

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This supplementary issue encompasses the peer-reviewed abstracts accepted for the oral and 3-minute pulse (3-MP) presentations of the Digital Health Sri Lanka Conference held at the Hotel Marino Beach, Colombo, Sri Lanka, on 17th and 18th of October 2019.

The event was held under the patronage of the Health Informatics Society of Sri Lanka (HISSL). "Towards an Electronic Health Record for every Sri Lankan" being this year's theme, the conference congregated professionals in IT, stakeholders in the healthcare sector including health informaticians and the health policy makers to one forum, to make a significant impact for the improvement of the quality of Sri Lanka's unique health care system. The conference contained symposia, panel discussions and workshops that were especially devised to match the entire spectrum of the participants.

Apart from the traditional oral presentations, a new version of short 3-minute pulse presentations was introduced where the authors had to present the entire content in merely three minutes. The session claimed many positive comments and enthusiasm. The presentations were digitally displayed to the participants on both days of the conference. Best Oral presentation and 3-MP presentations were selected by a panel of judges, based on a set-criteria which evaluated the scientific content as well as the presentation skills of the authors.

Best Oral Presentation: Evaluation of Electronic Health Information Systems in the Sri Lankan state health sector: A cross sectional study

Best 3-Minute Pulse Presentation: Use of an electronic system in the surveillance of adverse events following immunization (AEFI) in Sri Lanka: A pilot study

A printed version of the abstracts was distributed at the conference. The current version is the electronic copy of the printed issue. We take this opportunity to congratulate and thank all the authors, panel of judges, HISSL council and all the others who supported the endeavour.

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