

 **NICE** | 8th Annual Conference  
on AUTISM

# AUTCON 2024

— **CONNECTING THE DOTS** —

*Pre-natal Threads, Comorbidities and Mimics*



**March 24, 2024**

Venue

**Vestin Park Hotel**

Palki Hall, 1st Floor,  
Convention Center, Egmore, Chennai

**Collaborative  
Hubs**

Ahmedabad, Hosur,  
Trichy

Host



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Kanchi Kamakoti  
CHILDS Trust Hospital



Our 8th annual conference on Autism AUTCON is set to be held on March 24, 2024 preceded by a pre-conference workshop on March 23, 2024.

We are proud to introduce multi-centre hosting with Collaborative Hubs across the nation fostering a national dialogue.

**Nodal Centre** - NICE, Chennai

**Venue** - Palki Hall, 1st Floor, Convention Center, **Vestin Park Hotel**, Egmore, Chennai

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This event aims to provide tangible insights, creative solutions, and a blueprint for fostering collaboration between pediatricians and developmental therapists in practice.



**Audience**

Pediatricians, rehabilitation professionals and people working with children with Autism will find the conference insightful.

**Conference Agenda**

Time	Topic	Faculty / Moderator
8.00am - 9.00am	Scientific Paper Presentations	
9.00am - 9.20am	Inauguration	
9.20am - 9.30am	<b>AUTCON: Connecting the dots</b>	<b>Dr. S.Subramanian</b> Director NICE
9.30am - 9.40am	Perinatal Factors, Maternal health, and Autism Risk	<b>Dr. Deepthi Jammi</b> Obstetrician and Fetal Medicine expert
9.40am - 9.50am	Genetic testing and diagnostics in Autism	<b>Dr. Gauri Krishna</b> Pediatrician and Clinical Genetics expert
9.50am - 10.20am	FAQ /Multi-center Discussions	
10.20am - 10.40am	Tea Break	
10.40am - 10.50am	Epilepsy & Autism	<b>Dr. S.Subramanian</b> Director NICE
10.50am - 11.00am	Epilepsy - Early detection, intervention, monitoring, and assessment in Autism	<b>Dr Ranjith Kumar Manokaran</b> Consultant Pediatric Neurologist and Epileptologist

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Time	Topic	Faculty / Moderator
11.00am - 11.30am	Multicenter Experience	
11.30am - 11.50am	Models of delivery of care in Autism with specific reference to India	<b>Dr. Shabina Ahmed</b> Developmental Pediatrician
11.50am - 12.10pm	Views & Discussion	
12.10pm - 12.20pm	AAC in Autism - An intro	<b>Dr. Krupa Murugesan</b> Speech Language Pathologist
12.20pm - 12.30pm	Assistive Technology in communication beyond Autism	<b>Dr. Anil Krishnaiah</b> Pediatric Intensivist, Clinical Informatician Digital Health Expert
12.30pm - 1.00pm	AAC experience from other centres	
1.00 p.m - 2.00pm	Lunch	
2.00pm - 2.30pm	Autism Mimics - Case based approach	<b>Dr. A. Somasundaram</b> Developmental Pediatrician  <b>Dr. Sudhakar.P</b> Developmental Pediatrician  <b>Dr. Rathi Sharmila</b> NDP Fellow in Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics
2.30pm - 2.40pm	Discussion/ Takeaways	
2.40pm - 2.50pm	Role of Physical Activity in Persons with Autism	<b>Dr. Amola B Patel</b> Developmental Pediatrician
2.50pm - 3.00pm	Food allergy in Autism	<b>Dr. Ashutosh Sinha</b> Pediatric Intensivist and Allergist
3.00pm - 3.40pm	Multicenter discussion	
3.40pm - 4.40pm	Synthesizing behavioral techniques in everyday life of persons with Autism	<b>Mr. Hariharan</b> Clinical Psychologist  <b>Dr. Deepa Sundareswaran</b> Principal College of OT MAHER
4.40pm - 5.00pm	Valedictory	

## Scientific Paper Presentations

Abstract submissions are open from February 1, 2024, till March 10, 2024  
For more details login to – [www.nicechennai.org](http://www.nicechennai.org)

## Pre-Conference Workshop for Pediatricians

### In-person

**Date** : March 23, 2024, Time : 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

**Title** : **Optimising Communication and Social Milestones in OPD Care**

**Venue** : **Kanchi Kamakoti CHILDS Trust Hospital,**  
12-A, Nageswara Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai - 600 034

### Parents Program

**Date** : March 23, 2024, Time : 3.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.

**Free but registration required.**

## REGISTRATION

For registrations login to [www.nicechennai.org](http://www.nicechennai.org)  
Registrations Open from February 1, 2024

Program		Workshop	Conference
<b>REGULAR</b> (till March 20, 2024)	<b>Students</b>	₹ 500	₹ 1,000
	<b>Professionals</b>	₹ 500	₹ 1,200
<b>ON-SPOT</b> (Spot rates apply after March 20, 2024)	<b>Students</b>	₹ 750	₹ 1,500
	<b>Professionals</b>	₹ 750	₹ 2,000

For registrations before March 5th, 2024, there will be an exclusive networking forum available online

## Organizing Team

**Organizing Chair**  
**Dr. Meenakshi. J**  
Director NICE

**Organizing Secretary**  
**Dr. S.Subramanian**  
Director NICE

**Conference Coordinator**  
**Mr. Hariharan**  
Team Lead Mental Health  
Department, Nishta Centre

## Conference Secretariat



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