

## Class of IAHSI - 2021



### **Achala Upendra Jayatilleke**

Professor Achala Jayatilleke is a Professor in Health Informatics at Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka. Professor Jayatilleke started his career as a Medical Officer of the Ministry of Health, Sri Lanka in 2002. He joined the University of Kelaniya in 2009 as a Lecturer in Public Health and in 2012, he joined the Postgraduate Institute of Medicine of the University of Colombo as a Senior Lecturer. Professor Jayatilleke joined Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as a public health informatics fellow in 2013, and successfully completed the fellowship in 2015. Currently, Professor

Jayatilleke is on sabbatical leave and working as a Health Information Management System Consultant at WHO Country Office for Timor-Leste. Before moving to Timor-Leste, he worked as a National Consultant at WHO Country Office for Sri Lanka.

Professor Jayatilleke has over 15 years of experience conducting digital health and public health research. His expertise includes digital health, CRVS, road traffic injuries, child injuries, intimate partner violence, coding of injuries, injury surveillance, and syndromic surveillance. His work has been featured in several peer-reviewed journals, international conferences, and local and international media. Professor Jayatilleke has received several international and national awards for his publications including Sri Lanka President's Awards for academic publications. Professor Jayatilleke has contributed in 2014/15 Ebola Response in USA, and COVID-19 Pandemic response in Sri Lanka and Timor-Leste.

Prof Jayatilleke's full bio can be found at <https://www.res.cmb.ac.lk/pgim/achala/>