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Welcome to the first issue of the Sri Lanka Journal of Sexual Health and HIV Medicine (Sri Lanka JoSHHM). This is the official journal of Sri Lanka College of Venereologists and the continuation of the Sri Lanka Journal of Venereology. Members of the Sri Lanka College of Venereologists (Sri Lanka CoSHHM) decided to publish its official journal under this new name to accommodate wider perspectives of sexual health, sexually transmitted infections including HIV medicine, prevention and programme sciences, in keeping up with the global trends.

Sexual health is a broad area that encompasses many inter-related disciplines. Among some of them are human rights related to sexual health, sexual pleasure, eroticism, sexual satisfaction, sexually transmitted diseases (HIV/AIDS, STIs, RTIs), sexual violence, sexual dysfunction and mental health related to sexual health. The health sector has a major role to play in assessment and in providing counselling treatment and care.

The objective of the Sri Lanka College Venereologists is to provide a journal that is directed towards those working in sexual health as clinicians, public health professionals or as researchers in clinical, laboratory, public health or social sciences.

In this issue we have a variety of papers covering clinical, public health, social and laboratory aspects of sexual health and HIV medicine and related prevention and programme sciences.

We encourage you to submit your work to the Sri Lanka Journal of Sexual Health and HIV Medicine. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all authors and members of the editorial board who worked tirelessly to publish this first issue of Sri Lanka Journal of Sexual Health and HIV Medicine.

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