



## VIP Webinar Series

# Influenza in the Older Adults: Evidence and Recommendations

Live Webinar

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2022  
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Influenza infections are associated with high morbidity and mortality worldwide.<sup>1</sup> Older adults (aged > 65 years) are at high risk of influenza and its complications.<sup>2</sup> As the 2021-2022 influenza season is expected to coincide with the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, influenza vaccination is especially important to protect older adults against seasonal influenza.<sup>3</sup>

Sanofi is inviting you to join our VIP webinar series on  
**Influenza in the Older Adults: Evidence and Recommendations**

Date: 24<sup>th</sup> March 2022  
Time: 12:45 pm – 2:00 pm

Please join us as our speakers, **Dr Asok Kurup** and **Dr Cheah Wee Kooi** share and discuss evidence and recommendations for influenza vaccination in the older adults.

## AGENDA

12:45 pm – 12:50 pm

### Opening Remarks

**Prof Dr Sasheela A/P Sri La Sri Ponnampalavanar**  
*Infectious Diseases Physician*  
University Malaya Medical Centre

12:50 pm – 1:50 pm

### Influenza in the Older Adults: Evidence and Recommendations

**Dr Asok Kurup**  
*Infectious Diseases Physician*  
Mount Elizabeth Medical Centre, Singapore

**Dr Cheah Wee Kooi**  
*Consultant Geriatrician*  
*Head of Medical Department*  
Hospital Taiping, Malaysia

1:50 pm – 2:00 pm

### Q&A

**All**



## CHAIRPERSON



**Prof Dr Sasheela A/P Sri La Sri Ponnampalavanar**  
*Infectious Diseases Physician*  
University Malaya Medical Centre, Malaysia

Prof Dr Sasheela is currently a Consultant Infectious Disease Physician at the University Malaya Medical Centre (UMMC) and a Professor of Medicine at University Malaya. She is also the head of the Infection Control Department in UMMC.

## SPEAKERS



**Dr Asok Kurup**  
*Infectious Diseases Physician*  
Mount Elizabeth Medical Centre, Singapore

Dr Kurup graduated with MBBS from the National University of Singapore in 1992. He pursued advanced training in infectious diseases in Singapore and in the University of California at San Diego, where he was a clinical research fellow. He was awarded specialist accreditation in infectious diseases from the Ministry of Health Singapore and the Singapore Medical Council in 2001. Prior to commencing private practice, Dr Kurup was a senior consultant in the Department of Infectious Diseases of Singapore General Hospital and a clinical lecturer with the Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore. He continues to serve as a visiting consultant to the Department of Infectious Diseases, Singapore General Hospital and is an adjunct associate professor with the Duke-NUS Graduate Medical School Singapore. Dr Kurup has managed various infectious disease outbreaks and is passionate about control of community and nosocomial infections. He has over 85 scientific publications and abstracts in professional peer-reviewed publications.



**Dr Cheah Wee Kooi**  
*Consultant Geriatrician*  
*Head of Medical Department*  
Hospital Taiping, Malaysia

Dr Cheah Wee Kooi is currently the Head of Medical Department and Clinical Research Unit of Hospital Taiping. He is the Resident Geriatrician and Physician in the same hospital and provides visiting consultation to several other hospitals in the state of Perak. Currently, he sits in several national and state committees including the Evaluation Committee for the Geriatric Subspecialty for the Malaysian Medical Councils. He is keen in research and teaching. His research works range from strokes, cognitive disorders, metabolic as well as respiratory infections. His current work includes a study that looks into the prevalence of influenza and respiratory syncytial virus infections in the elderly admitted with respiratory infection in hospitals in Malaysia.

*CPD (Malaysia) & CME (Singapore) points application in progress.*

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