

47th Annual Conference of IAPS kickstarts

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Discussions were held on how insurance companies can help paediatric patients in the long run



The inauguration of the 47th Annual Conference of the Indian Association of Paediatric Surgeons (IAPS) was held on a virtual platform. The meeting was presided by the Organizing Chairman and President, IAPS Dr Ravindra Ramadwar. Dr Ravi Kanojia, Secretary of IAPS and Dr Amar Shah, Joint Secretary of IAPS were the organising secretaries of the event.

Almost 500 scientific deliberations and two orations will be presented at the academic event. The chief guest was Minister of State for Finance D. Bhagwat Karad. The guest of Honor was the Ex-Vice Chancellor of Mumbai University and senior paediatric surgeon Dr Snehlata Deshmukh.

Dr Ramadwar informed, "Many insurance companies do not offer cover for birth defects or surgical problems during infancy. This is a major cost burden for many families and parents who have just recently commenced their jobs and are not having the financial liberty to get their child treated at hospitals of their choice."

Dr Karad informed the audience that he would be trying his best to help the paediatric surgical fraternity in all possible ways. He also was very happy to note that insurance companies are now passionate about insurance for unborn children and infants. He reassured that he would do his best to speed up the process at the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI), an organisation that is under his responsibility.