

**Date : 10<sup>th</sup> October 2008**

**Time : 8.30am to 9.45 am**

**Venue : Caritas SEDEC Auditorium, No 133, Kynsey Road Colombo - 8**

**Chair : Mr. F Hashim - Deputy Executive Director CHA**

The Agenda is as follows:

**1. Feedbacks and updates**

**CCHA Sub Committee on Education  
CCHA Sub Committee on Resettlement  
Wanni situation – G.A. Mullaitivu**

8.30 am – 9.20 am

**2. Presentation on Alzheimer's Disease and other Dementias- The emerging Epidemic – Tami Tamitegama - President - Lanka Alzheimer's Foundation**

9.20 am - 9.40 am

**3. Announcements/AOB**

9.40 am – 9.45 am

**About the presentation**

**Alzheimers Disease**

Some aspect of dementia support, service or care will touch each one of our lives over the next 35 years. The syndrome of brain failure attributed to Alzheimer's Disease and other dementias, (collectively known as dementia) is relatively new, however, everyone over the age of 60 is at risk, and those in the 40-60 age group are mildly at risk. A briefing on the latest sustainable version of a silent epidemic, which will span half the 21st. century will be offered.

The current estimate of global prevalence of dementia is 30 Million, which is meant to rise steeply to 100 Million, by 2040/2050. There isn't a cure on the horizon; the set of disorders is very high on the disability agenda and demanding of caregiver support. The briefing includes a descriptor of intervention modalities, which the Lanka Alzheimer's Foundation, wishes to roll out in Sri Lanka.

Please feel free to forward your Comments and suggestions for discussion topics at the operational meeting to me by e-mail or telephone

The Minutes and the Presentations of the last meeting, could be accessed from the following link

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