



SIG CLINICAL COMMUNICATION

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Prof Avinash Supe

Chairperson, SIG Clinical Communication

Prof Avinash Supe is a senior medical educator and gastrointestinal surgeon with extensive leadership experience in medical education and academic medicine. He is Professor Emeritus in Surgical Gastroenterology and Medical Education at Seth G.S. Medical College, Mumbai, and has previously served as Director of Medical Education and Major Hospitals and as Dean of KEM and Sion Hospitals. He was the founding director of the GSMC-FAIMER Regional Institute and has held leadership roles across health-professions education and surgical associations. He currently also serves in clinical-governance and surgical roles in Mumbai.

Prof Bidita Khandelwal

Co-Convenor, SIG

Prof Bidita Khandelwal is Professor and Head of the Department of General Medicine at Sikkim Manipal Institute of Medical Sciences, Sikkim Manipal University. A physician and medical educator, she teaches undergraduate and postgraduate students and serves as a PhD supervisor. Her areas of academic and clinical interest include diabetes, hypertension, biomarkers and artificial intelligence. She also contributes to university academic governance through the Governing Council and Academic Senate. Within the SIG, her perspective centres on learner development, repeated practice, feedback and the longitudinal development of communication competency.

Prof Meenal Mohgaonkar

Co-Convenor, SIG

Prof Meenal Mohgaonkar is Officiating VC, SMBT Deemed University. A Professor of Radiodiagnosis and senior medical-education leader, she has been closely involved in academic governance, faculty development and institutional implementation. In 2026, she was nominated to the Senate of Maharashtra University of Health Sciences. Within SIG Clinical Communication, she brings the institutional and faculty perspective: how communication education can move from curricular requirements to practical, sustainable implementation across departments and phases of undergraduate training.

Prof E. Venkata Rao

Member, SIG

Prof E. Venkata Rao is Professor in the Department of Community Medicine at IMS & SUM Hospital, Siksha 'O' Anusandhan, Bhubaneswar. A public-health academic and researcher, his work spans community medicine, population health, research methodology and implementation-oriented healthcare questions. He has contributed to multicentre and interdisciplinary research and to the development of evidence-based approaches within the



SIG. His role in the clinical-communication initiative brings an important focus on measurement, feasibility, implementation and the generation of evidence around educational interventions.

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Dr Bhaskar Rajakumar

CEO, CHARAKA Centre of Excellence for HealthTech, MedTech & Assistive Tech

Member, SIG

Dr Bhaskar Rajakumar is Chief Executive Officer of CHARAKA, the Centre of Excellence for HealthTech, MedTech and Assistive Tech, a Government of Karnataka initiative associated with the state's IT and biotechnology ecosystem. A physician with experience spanning healthcare, technology, innovation and entrepreneurship, he works on creating pathways through which health technologies can move from development into real-world clinical use. Within the SIG ecosystem, he brings the perspective of institutional innovation, technology validation, implementation and the practical requirements for scaling health-tech solutions across diverse healthcare and educational environments.

Maj (Dr) Ashlesha Tawde-Kelkar

Vertical Lead – Digital Health, CHAKRA

Member, SIG

Maj (Dr) Ashlesha Tawde-Kelkar is Vertical Lead – Digital Health at CHAKRA and works at the intersection of healthcare, digital transformation, implementation and responsible artificial intelligence. Her work includes digital-health leadership and capacity building, health-system implementation and discussions around ethics, equity and trust in AI-enabled healthcare. She has contributed to national digital-health education initiatives and forums examining responsible AI implementation. Within the SIG, she provides an implementation lens focused on how evidence, educational approaches and appropriate technologies can move into real institutional and health-system practice.

Amitabh Nag

CEO, Digital India BHASHINI Division

Member, SIG

Amitabh Nag is Chief Executive Officer of the Digital India BHASHINI Division and a Director at Digital India Corporation, under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology. He leads implementation of India's National Language Translation Mission and work on multilingual, voice-first AI for inclusive digital services. He brings more than three decades of experience in technology transformation and has held senior roles across major technology organisations. His engagement with SIG Clinical Communication brings a critical multilingual perspective to healthcare communication, including the potential role of language technology, voice interfaces and Indian-language AI in clinical education and patient interaction.

KNOWLEDGE & IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER

Shweta Sharma

Founder & CEO, SigmaMozak Solutions

Knowledge & Implementation Partner, SIG Clinical Communication

Shweta Sharma is Founder and CEO of SigmaMozak Solutions and co-inventor of ConversationAlly, SigmaMozak's AI-enabled clinical communication intelligence platform. Her work focuses on translating healthcare technology into practical clinical and educational applications while retaining the human interaction at the centre of care. Through SigmaMozak's role as Knowledge & Implementation Partner, she has supported the national consultation, evidence synthesis, stakeholder engagement, development of the implementation Blueprint and exploration of sustainable models for clinical-communication improvement. Her approach emphasises problem-led innovation: strengthening the ecosystem around a healthcare problem rather than focusing solely on the technology product.