

Biography



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Dr Kamini Walia, PhD MPH, is a microbiologist by training and has subsequently trained in public health from Johns Hopkins. She is working as Senior Scientist in the Division of Epidemiology and Communicable Diseases Division of Indian Council of Medical Research. She spent 2 years in PATH, as Director, Research and Development. During her 15 years of experience in public health space she has initiated and successfully steered numerous projects and programs of public health importance in the field of infectious diseases, reproductive and child health and noncommunicable diseases. Dr Walia's experience spans working on infectious diseases, including HIV/AIDS programs and health technologies including vaccines and diagnostics. She, through her initiatives, has always supported collaborations with other public health partners in public health space and was instrumental in initiating ICMR-NIH collaboration on HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment which led to important research outcomes in her country including carrying out the HIV vaccine and drug trials. Dr Walia is currently leading setting up of Antimicrobial Surveillance Network of ICMR and coordinating activities of Antimicrobial Stewardship Program for entire country. This network is now recognized nationally and internationally and has led to development of collaborative programs with Research Council Norway, NIH, USA and CDC, USA.

She is recipient of ICMR's Shakuntala Amir Chand award and Indian National Science academy, Young Scientist Award. She has received numerous fellowships and trainings from WHO, NIH, USA, IVI, Seoul, Pasteur Institute, France.