

DR. PRIYANKA PRAKASH

Associate Consultant - Infectious Diseases

Qualification

MBBS | MD DNB (General Medicine) | Fellowship in Infectious Diseases (MAHE)

Overview

Dr. Priyanka Prakash is a highly experienced infectious disease specialist based at Manipal Hospital, Varthur Road, Bengaluru, with over 8 years of expertise in diagnosing and managing a broad range of infectious and tropical diseases. She currently serves as an Associate Consultant – Infectious Diseases at Manipal Hospital, Varthur Road. Dr. Priyanka is proficient in treating complex and chronic infections, including HIV, sexually transmitted infections (STIs), tuberculosis, fungal infections, critical care–related infections, and infections in immunocompromised individuals, in addition to managing general infectious diseases. She completed her MBBS at Bangalore Medical College and Research Centre, followed by an MD in General Medicine from Vydehi Institute of Medical Sciences and Research Centre. To further strengthen her subspecialty training, she pursued a Fellowship in Infectious Diseases from MAHE (Manipal Academy of Higher Education). This comprehensive training has enabled her to manage critically ill patients, treat multidrug-resistant infections, and deliver care with both clinical precision and compassion. At Manipal Hospital, Varthur Road, Dr. Priyanka plays a vital role in the Department of

Infectious Diseases, offering individualized care for both acute and chronic infectious conditions. Her clinical focus includes tropical infections and systemic bacterial and viral illnesses, with an emphasis on accurate diagnosis and targeted treatment. She is a strong advocate of patient safety and antimicrobial stewardship, promoting the rational and responsible use of antibiotics to address the global challenge of antimicrobial resistance. Dr. Priyanka holds certifications from the Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA) and Christian Medical College (CMC) in Antibiotic Stewardship and Diagnostic Programmes, reinforcing her expertise in infection control and quality care initiatives. Widely regarded as one of the leading infectious disease specialists at Manipal Hospital, Varthur Road, her practice integrates advanced diagnostics, evidence-based therapies, and preventive strategies to ensure optimal patient outcomes. She is actively involved in research and academic advancement in infectious diseases and is a lifetime member and executive of the Clinical Infectious Disease Society of India (CIDS), with a chapter contribution on TB IRIS. Her academic work includes publications such as “Study of Association of Diabetic Retinopathy with Dyslipidaemia in Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus Patients” in The Journal of Evidence-Based Medicine and Healthcare (2017), Treatment of PLHIV in the Indian Journal of Adolescent Medicine (2020), and an article on Faecal Microbiota Transplantation published in the Manipal Journal (March 2024). Dr. Priyanka follows a patient-centric approach and is known for her clinical accuracy and approachable demeanor. By combining extensive training, academic excellence, and hands-on experience, she delivers advanced infectious disease care aligned with international standards, making her one of the most trusted specialists at Manipal Hospital, Varthur Road.

Fellowship & Membership

- Clinical Infectious Disease Society of India-life/executive

member.

Field of Expertise

- Chronic Infections
- HIV/STIs
- Critical care infectious diseases
- Infectious diseases in immunocompromised individuals
- General infectious diseases
- She holds a certification from IDSA-CMC for antibiotic stewardship and the diagnostics program.

Languages Spoken

- English
- Kannada
- Tamil
- Hindi
- Telugu

Talks & Publications

- Kolhar, U, Priyanka P. Study of association of diabetic retinopathy with dyslipidaemia in type 2 diabetes mellitus patients. J. Evid. Based Med. Healthc. 2017; 4(78), 4578-4581. DOI:10.18410/jebmh/2017/915.
- Chapter on treatment of PLHIV- in the Indian Journal of Adolescent Medicine 2020 vol2.
- Chapter on TB IRIS – in CIDS textbook of Infectious Diseases-on process of publication.
- Utility of Faecal microbiota transplant- Manipal Journal March

2024.