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# COVID-19 ACADEMY



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## SPHERE INDIA COVID-19 ACADEMY

A capacity building initiative of NDMA, UNICEF, WHO, HCL Foundation and Sphere India for volunteers and outreach workers from across India for COVID-19 preparedness and response

**April 14, 2020 – Monday | 5pm – 6.10pm**

**Registration link** - <http://tiny.cc/8smxmz>

Please visit this link for early registration & details about joining the session

**Streamed live** - <http://tiny.cc/CAyoutube>

### **For Whom:**

Volunteers from CSOs, FBOs, CBOs, Corporations, Red Cross, Civil Defence, NCC, NSS, NYK, student groups and individuals willing to support local level authorities to deliver health and social protection services to address direct and secondary impact of COVID-19

## RESPONSIVE PARENTING FOR YOUNG CHILDREN IN TIMES OF COVID -19

Young children and parents are worse affected by the global pandemic COVID19. Daily lives of young children have changed with pre-school and school closures, restriction in moving out of the house to play and they do not fully understand the reason for this sudden change. Parents are at loss of ideas to engage with their children in the current situation, where they are stressed and unsure due to future uncertainties. This course will support volunteers in reaching out to the parents with responsive parenting messages to enable them to engage with their children to provide preventive care, ensure psychosocial well-being and continued learning.

### **Course Schedule**

1700-1705: Introduction to the course and facilitator

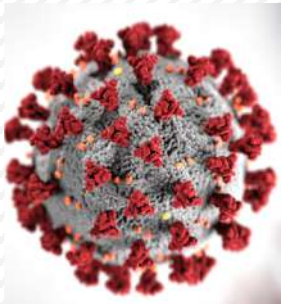
1705-1800: Technical Session by Alka Malhotra, Sunisha Ahuja, Aparajita Chaudhary - UNICEF

1800-1810: Q/A Session

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## **Resource Person – Alka Malhotra, UNICEF**

Alka Malhotra is Communication for Development Specialist at UNICEF India. She has worked for 30 years on development communication with government, non-government and the private sector on the issues of water and sanitation, health and education. She spearheaded several innovative communication strategies on child rights issues, led communication researches and has advocated for institutionalization of communication processes at the national level.



## **Resource Person – Sunisha Ahuja, UNICEF**

Sunisha Ahuja is Education Specialist – Early Childhood Education at UNICEF India. She has been working in the social sector for three decades, during which she has worked with several non-government organizations both national and international; Ministry of Education on large scale government programmes to improve quality of education. Her areas of expertise include early childhood education and foundational learning with a specific focus on early language and literacy learning.



## **Resource Person – Aparajita Bhargarh Chaudhary, UNICEF**

Aparajita Bhargarh Chaudhary is Early Childhood Development Specialist at UNICEF India. She has a Master's in Child Development and Education with specialization in Early Childhood Care and Education. She has about thirteen years of experience of working in the development sector, especially early childhood development.

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