

Abridged CV

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Professional Profile

Dr. M. S. Renuka Prasad is an internationally recognized psychiatrist and health-system leader with over 30 years of experience across Canada, the United Kingdom, and global organizations. His clinical, academic, and governance work focuses on geriatric psychiatry, consultation-liaison psychiatry, medical education, health-system transformation, and global mental health policy. He excels in strategic leadership, consensus-building, and delivering equitable, culturally responsive care.

Current Positions

- Clinical Professor of Psychiatry, University of Saskatchewan
- Consultant Psychiatrist, Saskatchewan Health Authority
- Chair, WPA Section of Old Age Psychiatry
- Senior Health Systems Leader, Saskatchewan Health Authority

Leadership and Governance Experience

World Psychiatric Association

- **Chair, Section of Old Age Psychiatry:** Leads global efforts in geriatric mental health, dementia care, training, and rights-based advocacy for older adults.
- **Former Zone I Representative:** Enhanced engagement of Canada-U.S. Mexico and other National Association of American continent and contributed to WPA governance, communications, and policy.

Canadian Psychiatric Association

- **Past President:** Navigated health-system challenges, boosted advocacy, and elevated psychiatry's national profile.
- **Distinguished Fellow (DFCPA):** Honored for exceptional contributions to Canadian psychiatry.

Other Governance Roles

- Board Member and Treasurer, Indo-Global Psychiatric Association
- Board Member and Treasurer, Indo-Canadian Psychiatric Association

Academic and Clinical Leadership

- Directed interdisciplinary teams in acute, consultation-liaison, and geriatric psychiatry.
- Led service redesign, quality improvement, and mental health planning.
- Mentored students, residents, and early-career psychiatrists.
- Developed curricula and strengthened pathways for complex older adult care.

Clinical and Scholarly Expertise

- Geriatric psychiatry and dementia care
- Consultation-liaison and complex medical-psychiatric cases
- Health-system leadership and policy
- Medical education and culturally responsive care
- Global mental health equity

Global Engagement

- Key WPA congress contributor and policy advocate.
- Builds partnerships for training and services in low- and middle-income countries.
- Champions ethics, human rights, and anti-stigma initiatives.

Education and Credentials

- MBBS, Mysore University
- FRC Psych (UK), Royal College of Psychiatrists
- Diploma in Geriatric Medicine (UK)
- FRCPC, Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada
- DFAPA, Canadian Psychiatric Association
- DFAPA, American Psychiatric Association

Selected Achievements

- Forged WPA collaborations and global advocacy.
- As CPA President, advanced wellness, reform, and policy.
- Innovated clinical pathways for older adults.
- Extensive publications/presentations on geriatrics and leadership.

Professional Memberships

- World Psychiatric Association
- Canadian Psychiatric Association
- American Psychiatric Association
- Royal College of Psychiatrists (UK)
- Indian Psychiatric Society
- International psychogeriatric networks