

### DR. DEEPIKA PONNURU V A

Consultant - Rheumatologist

# Qualification

MBBS | MD (Internal Medicine) | DM (Rheumatology)

#### Overview

Dr. Deepika Ponnuru V A is an expert in attending rheumatology outpatients and inpatients with Rheumatoid arthritis, Osteoarthritis, Systemic lupus erythematosus, Systemic sclerosis, Sjogren's syndrome, Idiopathic inflammatory myopathies, Primary and secondary systemic vasculitic disorders, pediatric rheumatologic ailments and infections complicating rheumatic diseases. She is one of the best rheumatologists in Vijayawada. Dr. Deepika Ponnuru V A is trained in managing critically ill patients with rheumatic diseases in the medical ICU. Dr. Deepika Ponnuru V A is an expert in minimally invasive procedures and managing complications due to procedures like joint aspirations and intra-articular injections (USG guided as well as blind), minor salivary gland biopsy from the lower Lip, skin biopsy/ulcer edge biopsy, and kidney biopsy (Blind as well as USG guided). She has a special interest in Musculoskeletal ultrasound, lupus nephritis and primary immunodeficiency disorders.

## **Field of Expertise**

- · Rheumatoid Arthritis
- Osteoarthritis
- · Spondyloarthritis
- Systematic Lupus Erythematosus
- Systematic Sclerosis
- · Sjogrns Syndrome
- · Vasculitic Disorders
- · Idiopathic Inflammatory Myopathies

## Languages Spoken

- Telugu
- English
- Hindi

## **Awards & Achievements**

- RNTCP grant for research work on Tuberculosis in patients with Systemic Lupus Erythematosus
- Awarded Second prize for platform presentation on "Spectrum of primary Immunodeficiency Disorders in a



Tertiary Care Centre" at SZIRACON, Hyderabad.

## **Talks & Publications**

- Acute ischaemic stroke as a Manifestation of Pituitary Apoplexy in Young Lady
  A case of juvenile lupus with an extremely rare dendritic cell malignancy Interdigitaating dendritic cell sarcoma
- Connective tissue disease-associated interstitial lung disease A Multicenter observational study from India
- Prostatitis as the initial manifestation of fatal vasculitis: a CSE report
- Herpes Zoster Reactivation after COVID-19 Vaccination in Patients with autoimmune diseases