



## **Eighth International Thyroid awareness Week (ITAW) May 23-29, 2016**

Thyroid Federation International (TFI) takes great pleasure in announcing the topic for the Eighth International Thyroid Awareness Week (23 - 29 May, 2016). The topic for ITAW 2016 is:

### **“Thyroid disorders in children”**

The causes could be stemming from congenital hypothyroidism, thyroid cancer, Hashimoto’s thyroiditis, Graves’ or other specific thyroid issues that ultimately lead to hypothyroidism in children and their adult life.

I wanted to share this with you at this early stage so that you can plan ITAW 2016 accordingly. Please share this topic for ITAW 2016 (International Thyroid Awareness Week) with your members, colleagues, thyroid organizations and academic and community forums for Thyroid education and awareness.

Even today, too many thyroid related issues go unnoticed. Symptoms are overlooked, misinterpreted and undertreated. The aim of the initiative “International Thyroid Awareness Week” is to raise awareness on thyroid related issues and problems. By conducting programs during and around the ITAW May 23-29, 2016 on this topic you may be able to help patients understand their thyroid related issues better.

The ITAW 2016 website [www.thyroidweek.com](http://www.thyroidweek.com) will be update by March 2016 to include this topic. Thanks to Merck Serono ITAW support since its inception. Thanks to Bayer and Genzyme Sanofi for ITAW 2015 support.

This is a festive period around the world, for those who celebrate Christmas, I would like to wish them the very best on this day. From all of us at Thyroid Federation International we want to wish each one of you a very happy new year. Wishing 2016 to be a great year for each one of you in both your professional and personal life. We look forward to your participation in 2016. It is always a pleasure to hear from you, look forward to hearing from you.

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