

# Program of Activities

## Simultaneous Symposia

### DAY 1 - April 28, 2026 (Tuesday)



## PEDIATRIC SYNERGY

Collaborative Approaches to Modern Healthcare Challenges

April 27, 2026 (Monday)

### Pre-Convention

### CROSSROADS IN PEDIATRIC CARE: NAVIGATING WHERE TO GO

8:00 AM - 12:00 NN

Venue: CONRAD

Room: Taft Ballroom 1	Symposium 1: <b>Abdominal Pain in Children: Beyond Functional</b>
Room: Taft Ballroom 2	Symposium 2: <b>The Febrile Child with Cytopenias</b>
Room: Forbes Ballroom 1	Symposium 3: <b>The Adolescent with Puberty and Growth Concerns</b>
Room: Forbes Ballroom 2	Symposium 4: <b>Cyanosis and Hypoxemia in Infants and Children</b>
Room: Forbes Ballroom 3	<b>HAB Summit</b>
Venue: CONRAD Ballroom Foyer	April 27-30, 2026 <b>Research Poster Exhibits</b>
Venue: SMX Meeting Rooms 4, 5 & 6	<b>Interhospital Quiz Contest Elimination Round</b>
12:00 NN	No CPD Units
Venue: CONRAD Forbes Ballroom	<b>Eucharistic Celebration</b>
4:00 PM	<b>Opening Ceremonies and Fellowship Night</b>

DAY 1  
 April 28 2026  
 (Tuesday)

DAY 2  
 April 29 2026  
 (Wednesday)

DAY 3  
 April 30 2026  
 (Thursday)

### Plenary Lectures

Venue: SMX Function Rooms 1-5  
 CONRAD Forbes & Taft Ballrooms

**40<sup>th</sup> Dr. Alberto V. Tupas Memorial Lecture**

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM **Beyond the Hospital Without Walls: A Life Course Framework for Preventive Pediatrics and Adult Longevity**  
 Speaker: Professor Gemiliano D. Alligui, MD  
 Chair: Jocelyn J. Yambao-Franco, MD

**Plenary 1**

10:00 AM - 10:45 AM **The Magna Carta for the Filipino Child: Creating a Safe Philippine Environment**  
 Speaker: Mariella A. Sague-Castillo, MD  
 Chair: Victor S. Doctor, MD

**Plenary 2**

10:45 AM - 11:30 AM **The Impact of Transnational Care and Communications on the Left behind Children of Filipino Migrant Workers**  
 Speaker: Jeffrey R. Ballaret, PhD  
 Chair: Alexander O. Tuazon, MD

### Luncheon Symposia

12:00 NN - 2:00 PM

### Plenary Lectures

Venue: SMX Function Rooms 1-5  
 CONRAD Forbes & Taft Ballrooms

**14<sup>th</sup> Dr. Fe del Mundo Memorial Lecture**

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM **Health Equity and Solidarity through Vaccination in the Community**  
 Speaker: Isolda B. Mayo, MD  
 Chair: Florentina T. Uy-Ty, MD

**Plenary 3**

10:00 AM - 10:45 AM **Kabayaran Sapat, DRG's Dapat: Demystifying DRG's for Clinical Practice**  
 Speaker: Frances Dominique V. Ho, MD  
 Chair: Zenaída L. Antonio, MD

**Plenary 4**

10:45 AM - 11:30 AM **Starting Strong: Strengthening Early Childhood Education**  
 Speaker: Bernadette Carpio-Benitez, MD  
 Chair: Joselyn A. Eusebio, MD

### ONLINE via Portal

8:00 AM - 3:00 PM **Election Day**

### Luncheon Symposia

12:00 NN - 2:00 PM

### Plenary Lectures

Venue: SMX Function Rooms 1-5  
 CONRAD Forbes & Taft Ballrooms

**13<sup>th</sup> Dr. Perla D. Santos Ocampo Memorial Lecture**

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM **The Journey of Pediatric Palliative Care in the Philippines: From Beginning and Beyond**  
 Speaker: Maria Liza T. Naranjo, MD  
 Chair: Carmelo A. Alfiler, MD

**Plenary 5**

10:00 AM - 10:45 AM **The 2026 Philippine Clinical Practice Guidelines in Pediatric Obesity**  
 Speaker: Ninfa J. Villanueva, MD  
 Chair: Melinda M. Atienza, MD

**Plenary 6**

10:45 AM - 11:30 AM **Real Talk: The Compassionate Pediatricians - Where Are They Now?**  
 Speaker: Eden D. Latosa, MD  
 Chair: Amelia R. Fernandez, MD

Venue: SMX Function Rooms 1-5  
 CONRAD Forbes & Taft Ballrooms

**Closing Ceremonies**

11:30 AM

Venue: SMX Function Rooms 1-5

**Business Meeting**

12:00 PM - 02:00 PM

Venue: CONRAD Forbes Ballroom

**Induction of Emeritus Fellows, Fellows and Diplomates**

5:00 PM

**SS 1**

Venue: CONRAD Taft Ballroom

2:00 PM - 2:30 PM **An Intersectional Framework of Gender Affirmation and Transition Empowerment**  
 Chair: Teresita Risalyn V. Villanueva, MD

**Simultaneous Session 1A**  
**The Youth in the Sexual Crossroads**  
 Speaker: Erlinda Susana Cuisia-Cruz, MD

2:30 PM - 3:00 PM **Simultaneous Session 1B**  
**Navigating the Medical Journey in Gender Transition**  
 Speaker: Cynthia G. Feliciano, MD

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM **Simultaneous Session 1C**  
**The Ethical and Legal Aspects of Gender Affirming Care**  
 Speaker: Maria Katerina G. Bustamante, MD

3:30 PM - 4:00 PM **Open Forum**

**SS 2**

Venue: SMX Function Rooms 2 & 3

2:00 PM - 2:30 PM **Proactive Analgesia & Rehabilitation: Best Practices & Developing Approaches**  
 Chair: Amelen V. Palanca, MD

**Simultaneous Session 2A**  
**Effective Pain Management: A Proactive Approach**  
 Speaker: Kathrina Isabel M. Epino, MD

2:30 PM - 3:00 PM **Simultaneous Session 2B**  
**Pediatric Rehabilitation: Proactive Approaches for Optimal Recovery**  
 Speaker: Monalisa L. Lim-Dungca, MD

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM **Simultaneous Session 2C**  
**Heart of a Nation: Pediatric Cardiac Rehabilitation Transitioning from Hospital to Home**  
 Speaker: Maria Ina P. Dela Paz-Bunyi, MD

3:30 PM - 4:00 PM **Open Forum**

**SS 3**

Venue: SMX Function Room 4

2:00 PM - 2:30 PM **Ambulatory Management of the Malnourished Child**  
 Chair: Emmalyn L. Reveldez, MD

2:30 PM - 3:00 PM **Simultaneous Session 3A**  
**Undernutrition**  
 Speaker: Jan Pofar A. Mantos, MD

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM **Simultaneous Session 3B**  
**Overnutrition**  
 Speaker: Anna Nicola R. Calleja, MD

3:30 PM - 4:00 PM **Simultaneous Session 3C**  
**Micronutrients Deficiencies**  
 Speaker: Eleonor G. Rodenas-Sabico, MD

**Open Forum**

**SS 4**

Venue: SMX Function Room 5

2:00 PM - 2:30 PM **Fluid Management in Children with Unique Needs**  
 Chair: Donna M. Quevenco, MD

2:30 PM - 3:00 PM **Simultaneous Session 4A**  
**Fluid Management in the Sick Neonate**  
 Speaker: Ma. Theresa G. Cacas, MD

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM **Simultaneous Session 4B**  
**Fluid Management in Acute Kidney Injury**  
 Speaker: Janice R. Thiam-Tuazon, MD

3:30 PM - 4:00 PM **Simultaneous Session 4C**  
**Fluid Management in Dengue**  
 Speaker: Audrey Anne Najarro-Diaz, MD

**Open Forum**

**SS 5**

Venue: SMX Function Room 1

2:00 PM - 2:30 PM **The Child in the Throes of Climatic and Environment Challenges: Fostering Strength and Endurance**  
 Chair: Eden E. Bague, MD

2:30 PM - 3:00 PM **Simultaneous Session 5A**  
**Invisible Threats: Environmental Toxins and Its Impact**  
 Speaker: Tisha Ysabel Torres-Briola, MD

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM **Simultaneous Session 5B**  
**The Air We Breathe: Is It Fresh & Safe?**  
 Speaker: Maria Rowena R. Bautista-Valerio, MD

3:30 PM - 4:00 PM **Simultaneous Session 5C**  
**Behavioral and Cognitive Outcome of Neurotoxicity**  
 Speaker: Ma. Estrella G. Ibe-Illustre, MD

**Open Forum**

**SS 6**

Venue: CONRAD Forbes Ballroom

2:00 PM - 2:30 PM **Potpouri of Hematologic Issues: Focusing on Management**  
 Chair: Jonah Suzette A. Gerald, MD

2:30 PM - 3:00 PM **Simultaneous Session 6A**  
**Rational Blood Use in Pediatrics: Balancing Need and Safety**  
 Speaker: Lorraine Marie S. Item, MD

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM **Simultaneous Session 6B**  
**Bone Marrow Transplantation: Its Applicability in Pediatric Hematologic Disorders**  
 Speaker: Anna Marie D. Espaldon, MD

3:30 PM - 4:00 PM **Simultaneous Session 6C**  
**Drug-Related Options for Hematological Conditions**  
 Speaker: Cynthia Rosario C. Castro, MD

**Open Forum**

Venue: SMX Meeting Room 4, 5 & 6

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM **SPECIAL EVENT #1**  
**Interhospital Case Report Contest**

No CPD Units

Venue: CONRAD Taft Ballroom

4:30 PM - 6:30 PM **10<sup>th</sup> UPEC Forum**

### DAY 2 - April 29, 2026 (Wednesday)

**SS 7**

Venue: CONRAD Taft Ballroom

2:00 PM - 2:30 PM **Uncovering Urticaria: Crossroads of Care**  
 Chair: Ma. Agnes C. Andanar, MD

**Simultaneous Session 7A**  
**Update on Guidelines in Pediatric Urticaria**  
 Speaker: Frances M. Tan, MD

2:30 PM - 3:00 PM **Simultaneous Session 7B**  
**Skin Deep: Dermatologic Manifestations**  
 Speaker: Abigail Angeline N. Rubiano, MD

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM **Simultaneous Session 7C**  
**More than Skin Deep: Rheumatologic Manifestations**  
 Speaker: Carlen G. Carvajal, MD

**Open Forum**

**SS 8**

Venue: SMX Function Room 4

2:00 PM - 2:30 PM **Issues on Immunizations: New Options, Old Threats and Growing Hesitancy**  
 Chair: Bernadette C. Macrohon, MD

**Simultaneous Session 8A**  
**Current Trends on New Vaccines and Its Development**  
 Speaker: Maria Liza Antoinette M. Gonzales, MD

2:30 PM - 3:00 PM **Simultaneous Session 8B**  
**Re-Emergence of Vaccine Preventable Diseases**  
 Speaker: Carmina A. Delos Reyes, MD

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM **Simultaneous Session 8C**  
**Handling Vaccine Hesitancy: Technique & Talking Points**  
 Speaker: Mayan Uy-Lumandas, MD

**Open Forum**

**SS 9**

Venue: SMX Function Rooms 2 & 3

2:00 PM - 2:30 PM **Making Pediatric Healthcare Go Viral. For the Right Reason**  
 Chair: Marimae R. Baluaug-Lopez, MD

**Simultaneous Session 9A**  
**Options for Pediatric Education: Maximizing the Digital Media**  
 Speaker: Marthory P. Basco, MD

2:30 PM - 3:00 PM **Simultaneous Session 9B**  
**Impact of Digital Media on the Developing Brain**  
 Speaker: Francis Xavier M. Dimalanta, MD

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM **Simultaneous Session 9C**  
**Beyond the Digital Media: Its Ethical Boundaries for Physicians**  
 Speaker: Antonio Alejandro D. Robosa, MD, LLB

**Open Forum**

**SS 10**

Venue: CONRAD Forbes Ballroom

2:00 PM - 2:30 PM **Neonate in Crisis**  
 Chair: Patrizia M. Nafarrete, MD

**Simultaneous Session 10A**  
**Revisiting the Sick Neonate**  
 Speaker: Marian G. Colasito, MD

2:30 PM - 3:00 PM **Simultaneous Session 10B**  
**Nourishing the Sick Neonate**  
 Speaker: Gregorio M. Leonardo, MD

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM **Simultaneous Session 10C**  
**Post Discharge Care of the NICU Graduate**  
 Speaker: Ma. Cristina C. Woo, MD

3:30 PM - 4:00 PM **Simultaneous Session 10D**  
**Innovating to Save Mothers, Babies and Young Children 2030 and Beyond**  
 Speaker: Thomas Burke, MD

**SS 11**

Venue: SMX Function Room 5

2:00 PM - 2:30 PM **The Child with the Lingering Fever**  
 Chair: Celina M. De Ocampo, MD

**Simultaneous Session 11A**  
**Infectious Diseases**  
 Speaker: Ma. Delta S. Aguilar, MD

2:30 PM - 3:00 PM **Simultaneous Session 11B**  
**Rheumatological Concerns**  
 Speaker: Lea G. Galia, MD

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM **Simultaneous Session 11C**  
**Hematological-Oncological Conditions**  
 Speaker: Kris Isaac A. Brugada, MD

**Open Forum**

**SS 12**

Venue: SMX Function Room 1

2:00 PM - 2:30 PM **Behavioral Challenges in Children**  
 Chair: Maria Julieta I. Salvosa, MD

2:30 PM - 3:00 PM **Simultaneous Session 12A**  
**Dealing with Anti-Social Behavior & Truancy**  
 Speaker: Edna Sarah C. Morada, MD

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM **Simultaneous Session 12B**  
**Neuropsychiatric Manifestations of Systemic Illness**  
 Speaker: Edgardo B. Epe, MD

3:30 PM - 4:00 PM **Simultaneous Session 12C**  
**Eating Disorders in Adolescents**  
 Speaker: Moses C. De Guzman, MD

**Open Forum**

Venue: CONRAD Ballroom Foyer

12:00 NN - 2:00 PM **SPECIAL EVENT #2**  
**Research Poster Contest**

No CPD Units

Venue: CONRAD Roosevelt

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM **SPECIAL EVENT #3**  
**Interhospital Research Paper Contest**

No CPD Units

Venue: SMX Meeting Rooms 4, 5 & 6

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM **SPECIAL EVENT #4**  
**Interhospital Quiz Contest Finals**

No CPD Units