Unlocking the Future of Pediatric Healthcare: 18th Asia Pacific Congress in Cebu City, Philippines

November 14 to 17, 2024

Join us for the 18th Asia Pacific Congress of Pediatrics in the historic setting of Cebu City, Philippines, from November 14 to 17, 2024. We welcome you to participate in an insightful event focused on the theme "Redefining Pediatric Healthcare in the Asia Pacific."

The convention site is Cebu City, referred to as the "Queen City of the South." It is a vibrant and bustling metropolis located 570 kilometers south of Manila in the Visayas region of the Philippines. With a rich historical and cultural heritage, the city serves as a melting pot of tradition and modernity. Visitors will be captivated by landmarks such as Magellan's Cross, a symbol of the city's significant role in Philippine history, and the Basilica Minore del Santo Niño, one of the oldest Roman Catholic churches in the country. Beyond its historical charm, Cebu City is a thriving economic hub of business and commerce. The cityscape is adorned with a mix of skyscrapers, shopping malls, and lively markets which offer a diverse range of experiences for locals and tourists alike. Cebu City's warmth extends beyond its tropical climate, as the friendly locals, known as Cebuanos, welcome visitors with open arms, making it a must-visit destination in the Philippines.



Save the dates and prepare for an unforgettable congress where knowledge meets culture, and innovation shapes the future of pediatric healthcare in the Asia Pacific.

Travel Essentials

Visa Requirements:

The passport holders of the following APPA member countries are eligible for a visa-free stay of up to 30 days in the Philippines: Australia. Indonesia, Japan. Malaysia, Myanmar, Nepal, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam.

Visa-free entry for a stay not exceeding fourteen (14) days in the Philippines is granted to the Hong Kong-SAR and Macau-SAR residents.

Nationals of China travelling as tourist and holding a valid visa issued by Australia, Canada, Japan, United States or a Schengen Area state may enter and stay without a visa for up to 7 days.

Nationals of India holding a valid tourist, business or resident visa issued by Australia, Canada, Japan, Singapore, United Kingdom, United States or a Schengen Area state may enter and stay without a visa for up to 14 days.

Taiwan passport holders may travel to the Philippines by applying for a visa through the online Electronic Travel Authorization (ETA) System by using this link: <u>Manila Economic and Cultural Office -</u> <u>Electronic Travel Authorization</u> 電子簽證 (meco.org.tw)

Visas for the Philippines are required for attendees from the remaining APPA member countries. The organizing committee is committed to facilitating this process by issuing official invitations and providing other essential documents required for their visa applications.

For attendees from non-APPA countries, visit this website for your visa requirements:

VISA General Info | Department of Foreign Affairs (dfa-oca.ph)

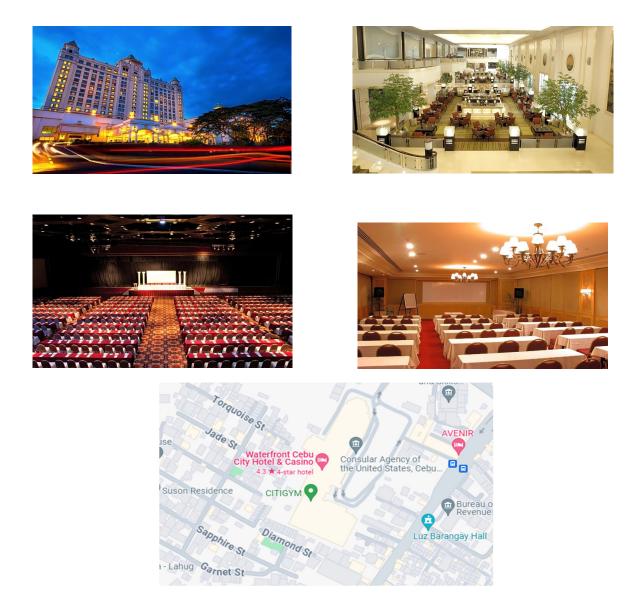
Flight Details:

Situated 570 kilometers south of Manila, Cebu City features its own international gateway, The Mactan-Cebu International Airport. With approximately 30 daily flights departing from Manila to Cebu City, the quick flight time of around 1 hour and 30 minutes ensures a smooth transition to the 18th Asia Pacific Congress site. Cebu City is also globally accessible with direct flights from Seoul, Busan, and Daegu in Korea; Tokyo, Nagoya, and Osaka in Japan; Shanghai and Shenzhen in China; Doha; Bangkok; Kuala Lumpur; Singapore; and Taipei.

Venue

The venue for the Congress is Waterfront Cebu City Hotel, a luxurious and modern 500 room hotel located in the heart of Cebu City, Philippines. With its prime location along the scenic waterfront, this hotel offers breathtaking views of the city skyline and the sea. Waterfront Cebu City Hotel offers extensive conference and event spaces, making it an ideal venue for the 18th Asia Pacific Congress of Pediatrics.

In addition to its outstanding amenities, the central location of the hotel provides easy access to popular attractions such as Magellan's Cross, Fort San Pedro, and the Basilica Minore del Santo Niño. The hotel is also very near the major commercial establishments in the city. Waterfront Cebu City Hotel is a 30-minute drive from Mactan-Cebu international Airport.



Hotel Accommodations

Aside from the Waterfront Hotel, Cebu City offers a diverse range of accommodation choices for attendees of the congress. The organizers are in the process of finalizing special rates for the congress delegates. Detailed recommendations, including rates, proximity to the venue, and booking information, will soon be accessible on the convention website.

Registration Rates and Payment Methods

The registration rates provided below for the congress proper include access to both the welcome reception and fellowship night. A fee of USD 100 applies for each accompanying person.

There is a separate registration fee for the pre-congress sessions.

Payment portals for both the pre-congress sessions and the congress proper will be accessible through the convention website.

REGISTRATION RATES

INTERNATIONAL DELEGATE	Early Registration	Regular Registration
APPA Country Member	USD 250	USD 350
Non-APPA Member	USD 300	USD 400
Trade/Corporate Delegate	USD 400	USD 500
LOCAL DELEGATE	Early Registration	Regular Registration
PPS Member	PHP 3500	PHP 4000
Non-PPS Member	PHP 4000	PHP 4500
Trade/Corporate Delegate	PHP 5000	PHP 5500
Trainee/Allied Health Delegate	PHP 2500	PHP 3000

PRE-CONGRESS SESSIONS		
International Delegate	USD 100	
Local Delegate	PHP 1500	

Congress Program

The scientific program of the congress will feature plenary sessions led by regional experts, delving into pivotal topics such as Nutrition, Vaccination, Environmental Health, Infectious Diseases, Social Pediatrics, Pediatric Wellness, Pediatric Research, and Digital Health. Simultaneous sessions will cater to various subspecialties in pediatrics, ensuring a comprehensive exploration of the different fields for both the general pediatricians and subspecialists. The pre-congress sessions are being crafted to capacitate the delegates with the latest developments in the field of pediatrics.

Beyond the academic scope, this congress will showcase the history and culture of Cebu City. Delegates and their companions will have the opportunity to engage in a diverse array of social and cultural events thoughtfully curated by the organizers.

Illustrated below is the summary of the 4-day congress scientific and social program:



Our Invitation to the 18th Asia Pacific Congress in Cebu City



The organizing committee extends a warm invitation to all our esteemed colleagues to join us at the 18th Asia Pacific Congress in Cebu City on November 14 to 17, 2024. This gathering marks a significant milestone as the Philippines proudly hosts the Congress once again after 50 years. Let us come together to share knowledge, foster collaboration, and celebrate the progress of pediatrics in the Asia Pacific region. We look forward to your presence in making this Congress a memorable and impactful event. See you in Cebu City!

For additional information or details, please contact: secretariat@apcp2024.org.