



55<sup>th</sup> Annual Congress of the **Philippine College of Physicians**  
 at the SMX Convention Center, Manila  
 4 to 7 May 2025

**INITIAL SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM**  
*as of 11 March 2025*

Time	May 4, 2024 Sunday				5 May 2025 Monday				6 May 2025 Tuesday				7 May 2025 Wednesday															
	Pre-Convention				Day 1				Day 2				Day 3															
8:30-9:00	Registration				<b>Plenary 1</b> <b>Addressing Generation Gaps in Internal Medicine Training for an Age-inclusive Medical Practice</b>  Opening of Exhibits and Visit Booths <b>BREAK (30 mins)</b>				<b>President's Hour:</b> <b>Climate change and mitigating air pollution: How physicians can contribute to decreasing carbon footprints</b> <i>Dr. Imelda Mateo, FPCP FPCCP            PCP President 2004-2005</i>				<b>Plenary 5</b> <b>Visioning the Future of Philippine Healthcare</b>  <b>The DOH: Challenges, Directions and Call to Action</b> <i>Sec. Teodora J. Herbosa, MD            Secretary, Department of Health</i>  <i>Dr. William Tiu, Jr., RN            Program Manager, Espesyalista Para sa Bayan Program, Department of Health</i>  <b>PhilHealth: Lessons and Ways Moving Forward</b> <i>Dr. Edwin Mercado, MHA, MMSc            President and CEO            Philippine Health Insurance Inc.</i>															
9:00-9:15	FR1	FR2	FR3																									
9:15-9:30	[Track 1] <b>RESPECT:</b> Reinforcing comprehensive geriatric assessment to optimize Elderly Care and Treatment  [Track 2] <b>Power to the Prescriber:</b> Revitalizing Pharmacologic Therapy in Current Internal Medicine Practice  [Track 3] <b>Adding Art to Science:</b> Maximizing Canva and Powerpoint to your advantage				<b>Plenary 2</b> <b>Precision Medicine: Is the devil in the details?</b>  <b>Precision Medicine in Critical Care</b> <i>Dr. Chairat Permpikul, President of the Royal College of Internal Medicine, Thailand</i>  <b>Precision Medicine in Cardiology Care</b> <i>Dr. Sally Nasution, President, Indonesian Society of Internal Medicine</i>				<b>AG Sison Memorial Lecture:</b> <b>Ethical and Legal Implications of Physician Engagement in Social Media</b>  <b>Ethical Considerations</b> <i>Dr. Jason Ligot MD MPH            Director for Development Communication and Communication Design Organic Intelligence Consulting</i>  <b>Legal Implications</b> <i>Atty. Lee Edson P. Yarcia            UP Diliman College of Law</i>				<b>BREAK (30 mins)</b> Preparation for Breakout															
9:30-9:45																	Research Presentations				Research Presentations							
9:45-10:00																	FR1				FR1				FR1			
10:00-10:15																	FR2				FR2				FR2			
10:15-10:30																	FR3				FR3				FR3			
10:30-10:45																	FR4				FR4				FR4			
10:45-11:00																	FR5				FR5				FR5			
11:00-11:30																	H1A				H1A				H1A			
11:30-12:00																	H1B				H1B				H1B			
12:00-12:30																	CME Grants				CME Grants				CME Grants			
12:30-13:00	Lunch Break				FR1	FR2	FR3	FR4	FR5	H1A	H1B	FR1	FR2	FR3	FR4	FR5	H1A	H1B										
13:00-13:30	FR1	FR2	FR3	FR4	FR5	Hall 1A	FR1	FR2	FR3	FR4	FR5																	

13:30-14:00	Assembly and Preparation												<i>BREAK (30 mins)</i> Preparation for plenary	
14:00-14:30	Conferment of diplomates and Oathtaking of new members FR4/5	Track 1A: Acing Anemia	Track 1B: Trim and Tuck: Positive Approach to addressing Obesity and Weight Control	Track 1C: Clot Control: Approach to Hypercoagulable States	Track 1D: Gaining foothold against the Big C	Track 1E: Novel therapies and strategies for CKD management	<b>Dr. Adrian C. Peña PCP Medical Quiz Contest</b>	Track 3A: Clinical Practice Updates 1 (Dengue, UTI, Asthma)	Track 3B: Approach to headaches without headache	Track 3C: HIV in the Primary Care	Track 3D: The “ IT” Docs	<b>Medical Grand Rounds</b>	<b>Ilocos-Abra Pride: Sessions from the PCP Midyear Convention 2024</b>	
14:30-15:00		Track 2A: Bugs and Body: Optimizing the Link between Microbiome and Diseases	Track 2B: GenYZ-ready: Adapting Medical Training for the Current Generation	Track 2C: Detection and Correction of GI Bleeding	Track 2D: Seeing Through Cirrhosis: Comprehensive Management of Cirrhosis	Track 2E: Are you requesting your tests correctly? Symposium on Diagnostic Stewardship		Track 4A: Clinical Practice Updates 2 (Hyperthyroidism, Chronic Heart Failure, Chronic Hepatitis B)	Track 4B: Independence from dependence: Approach to substance abuse	Track 4C: What’ s new in TB for 2025?	Track 4D: Interactive Case Discussions in IM 1			<b>Get to Know the Exemplars</b>
15:00-16:00								<b>Annual Business Meeting</b>						
16:00-16:30	Convocation and Awarding Ceremonies FR4/5	<i>BREAK (30 mins)</i> Preparation for Plenary						<i>BREAK (30 mins)</i> Preparation for Plenary						
16:30-17:00		<b>Plenary 3: Genetics in Focus: The Current Status and Role of Genetics in Internal Medicine Practice</b>  <b>Primary Care Approach to Genetic Cancer Syndromes</b> <i>Jason M. Goldman, MD, FACP President, American College of Physicians</i>  <b>Successes, current initiatives and future direction of genetic diagnostic technology in the Philippines</b> <i>Prof. Eva Maria Cutiongco-de la Paz, MD PhD Executive Director, UP-NIH</i>						<b>Plenary 4: Multi-drug Resistant Organisms and Healthcare-associated Infections: Impact, Opportunities and Challenges for Internists</b> <i>Prof. Robert A. Bonomo, MD Professor, Department of Medicine, School of Medicine, Case Western Reserve University</i>						TURN OVER and CLOSING CEREMONIES
17:00-17:30														
17:30-18:00								Preparation for fellowship night						
18:00-19:00		Institutional reunions						Fellowship Night Hall 1A/1B						
19:00														
20:00														