





IPA CONGRESS 2025

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE



IPA CONGRESS 2025 Scientific Committee Chair & Co-Chairs



Naveen Thacker, Chair

President, International Pediatric Association

He is a member of the organizations like ImmuHubs Project, and the RIVER-EU Advisory Board. The Scientific Committee member of the ADVAC, PMNCH, and Vice-chair of the Steering Committee of the International Collaboration on Advanced Vaccinology Training (IVACT). Former CSO representative for the GAVI Alliance Board. Member of the Indian Expert Advisory Group on Measles and Rubella, MoH, India. He is listed among the top influencers for the fight against Polio released by UNICEF on World Polio Day 2017



Ana Beatriz Rosas Sumano, Co-Chair a successful private pediatric consulting office, catering to the healthcare needs of children. Serving as the President of the National Confederation of Pediatrics of Mexico (CONAPEME). Additionally, I hold the title of Medicine Surgeon from the Southeastern Regional University of Oaxaca, Mexico. Contributed as an advisor and member of the ethics committee at the General Hospital "Dr. Aurelio Valdivieso" in Oaxaca.



Claudia Montesinos Ramírez

As a pediatrician and Vice President of the Mexican Association of Pediatrics and coordinate pediatric care at the Regional Hospital "Gral. Ignacio Zaragoza" ISSSTE. Professor for the UNAM Pediatrics Postgraduate course at the same hospital, as well as an undergraduate professor at the Metropolitan Autonomous University. Additionally, work as a physician at Gregorio Salas Hospital in Mexico City.



Scientific Committee Members



Alicia Elizabeth Robledo Galván

Pediatric Neonatologist, President of the Mexican Academy of Pediatrics from 2022 to 2024. Serve as an Associate Professor in Neonatology and have taught the annual monographic course on the "Physical and Emotional Development of the Child". Achievements include a degree in Thanatology from UNAM/ISSSTE in 2005 and a Diploma in Bioethics from UNAM in 1995.



Amy Gray

Consultant Paediatrician at the Royal Children's Melbourne, Australia, and Head of the Department of Paediatrics at The University of Melbourne. Her PhD research led to the implementation of the first-ever paediatric guidelines in hospitals in Lao PDR - these now provide a foundation for the standards of care in that country



Antonio Luévanos Velázquez

Private practice since 1991 to date as a paediatrician. Master's degree in medical sciences from the University of Guadalajara. Professor of Medicine School at the University of Guadalajara. Member of Confederación Nacional de Pediatría.





Barbara Rubio

General Secretary, International Society for Social Pediatrics and Child Health. Contribute as a member of the International Pediatric Association Standing Committee. Serve as an Attending Physician in Pediatrics & President of the Ethics Committee, at Hospital Universitario de Getafe in Madrid, Spain. Associate Professor in Pediatrics, European University of Madrid and member of the Local Council Attending Children and Adolescents, municipality of Getafe.



Camilla Kingdon

completes her 3-year term as President of the Royal College of Paediatrics & Child Health (RCPCH) at the end of March 2024. She graduated from the University of Cape Town, South Africa, and trained in London, where she works as a consultant neonatologist at the Evelina London Children's Hospital.



Basim Al Zoubi

Consultant pediatric endocrinologist, MOH hospitals, Amman, Jordan.
President, Union of Arab Pediatric Societies & Jordan Pediatric Society
Head, Pediatric Directorate of MOH
Chairman, Jordan NITAG
Member, Executive Committee, Union of
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Co-president of the Italian Arab Pediatric
Society



Carlos G. Alonso-RiveraPresident of Latin American Pediatric

Society (ALAPE) (2021-2024)
President of Mexican National
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President of Mexican Pediatric Neurology
Society (2007-2009





Pediatric Oncologist, graduated from
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physician and professor at General Hospital
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currently a candidate for a Doctor of
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and serves as a remote advisor for Doctors
Without Borders.



Edgar Vásquez Garibay Director, Institute of Human Nutrition; Full-Time Research Professor "C", University Center of Health Sciences, University of Guadalajara; Leader, Consolidated Academic Group CA UDG-065, Human Nutrition, Ministry of Public Education, Mexico. Professor of Pediatric Clinic, University of Guadalajara; Doctorate in Sciences, University of Colima, Mexico and Doctorate in Food and Nutrition, University of Barcelona, Spain.



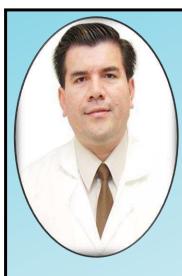
Pediatrician and Neonatologist trained at the National Institute of Pediatrics and the National Institute of Perinatology. Intensivist at the National Institute of Perinatology's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. A certified Neonatal Resuscitation Instructor, and completed an observer ship at the NICU of John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford.



Ekanem Ekure

President, Pediatric Association of Nigeria. Professor of Paediatrics, College of Medicine, University of Lagos & Hon. Consultant Paediatric Cardiologist, Lagos University Teaching Hospital, Nigeria. PG examiner of the West African College of Physicians (WACP) & Coordinator (Academics), WACP Doctors Educators program. Co-Chair- RMNCAEH+N, Quality of Care and Maternal, Perinatal, Child Death Surveillance & Response Technical Working Group in Nigeria. 2024-26





Paediatrician and Neonatologist & serve as the Web Master for the AMP Website and Social Networks. Holds Masters degrees in Hospital Administration and Education. Led as President of AMP COMEPENT and served as Branch Head of Teaching at Hospital Ángeles Villahermosa. Currently, presides over the Teaching and Research Committee at HAV and instructs as a certified RENEO instructor.



Erika Paola García Flores Pediatrician graduated from the National
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Professor & Head of Division of Developmental
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Leticia Belmont Martinez
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Manuel Ángel Correa Flores

Pediatric Intensivist, from La Raza Medical
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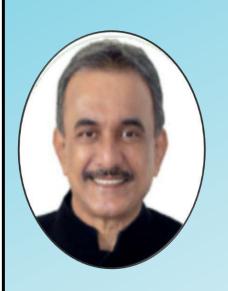




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