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SINGAPORE HOSTS FIRST INTERNATIONAL ALLIED HEALTH CONFERENCE IN ASIA

NUHS, SingHealth and NHG collaborate to drive global Allied Health advancements, bringing together more than 700 international experts and Allied Health Professionals

SINGAPORE — The International Allied Health Conference 2024 (IAHC 2024) is scheduled to take place from 1 to 5 November 2024. The highly-anticipated event, organised by the National University Health System (NUHS) in collaboration with SingHealth and the National Healthcare Group (NHG), marks a significant collaboration involving all three public health clusters in Singapore.

This is the first time that Singapore will host IAHC 2024, which was previously held in Scotland in 2005 and 2013. With the theme "**Advancing Allied Health: Diverse in Calling, United in Purpose**", IAHC 2024 is expected to bring together more than 700 Allied Health Professionals (AHPs) from around the world. This significant gathering will provide an exceptional platform for interdisciplinary collaboration, networking and the exchange of innovative practices.

The joint organisation by NUHS, SingHealth and NHG ensures that the conference benefits from the combined expertise and resources of Singapore's entire public healthcare system, offering a unique platform for interdisciplinary learning and cooperation.

Advancing the Future of Allied Health

The conference will address several cutting-edge topics crucial to the future of Allied Health, including:

- **Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Allied Health:** Exploring the role of AI in enhancing diagnostic accuracy, streamlining patient care, and improving health outcomes. Sessions will cover the integration of AI technologies in daily practice and their implications for AHPs.
- **Interdisciplinary Care Models:** Discussions on new models of care that emphasise collaboration among different health disciplines to improve patient outcomes across the care continuum.



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- Global Health Challenges: Addressing the evolving challenges faced by AHPs globally, including the impact of pandemics, ageing populations, and health equity.
- Innovations in Patient-Centered Care: Highlighting the latest advancements in patient engagement and care strategies that put the patient's needs and preferences at the forefront.

Notable speakers include Professor Beverley Harden, MBE, Deputy Chief Allied Health Professions Officer, National Health Service, England; and Emeritus Professor Mary Lovegrove, OBE, Emeritus Professor of Education and Development for AHPs, London South Bank University, who will deliver the opening and closing keynote lectures respectively. Many other esteemed speakers from Singapore, Australia, Canada, Malaysia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom are being lined up as plenary speakers in the respective sessions.

The conference will also feature the launch of the **Global Allied Health Network**, an initiative aimed at connecting AHPs worldwide to strengthen their collective impact on healthcare delivery. GAHN encompasses a collaborative network of Allied Health leaders from Singapore, Malaysia, Canada, New Zealand, Australia, and the United Kingdom.

As part of IAHC 2024, delegates will have the unique opportunity to participate in clinical site visits across Singapore, providing a close-up look at best practices in diverse healthcare settings.

IAHC 2024 is also a platform for showcasing pioneering research and initiatives across the Allied Health field. AHPs will be sharing their innovative work with an international audience, contributing to a global dialogue on advancing Allied Health.

Programme Highlights

- Opening and closing keynote lectures
- 2 plenary sessions by global Allied Health leaders
- 7 academic tracks consisting of topics covering the entire healthcare continuum
- 97 invited speakers (20 overseas and 77 local) across 18 themed symposia and three panel discussion sessions
- 114 oral presentations
- 174 poster presentations

For more information and to register for IAHC 2024, please visit <https://www.iahc2024.com/>.



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Chinese Glossary

National University Health System (NUHS)	国立大学医学组织 (国大医学组织)
SingHealth	新加坡保健服务集团 (新保集团)
National Healthcare Group (NHG)	国立健保集团
Global Allied Health Network (GAHN)	全球综合医疗保健网络
International Allied Health Conference 2024 (IAHC 2024)	国际综合医疗保健大会

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About the National University Health System (NUHS)

The National University Health System (NUHS) aims to transform how illness is prevented and managed by discovering causes of disease, development of more effective treatments through collaborative multidisciplinary research and clinical trials, and creation of better technologies and care delivery systems in partnership with others who share the same values and vision.

Institutions in the NUHS Group include the National University Hospital, Ng Teng Fong General Hospital, Jurong Community Hospital and Alexandra Hospital; three National Specialty Centres - National University Cancer Institute, Singapore (NCIS), National University Heart Centre, Singapore (NUHCS) and National University Centre for Oral Health, Singapore (NUCOHS); the National University Polyclinics (NUP); Jurong Medical Centre; and three NUS health sciences schools – NUS Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine (including the Alice Lee Centre for Nursing Studies), NUS Faculty of Dentistry and NUS Saw Swee Hock School of Public Health.

With member institutions under a common governance structure, NUHS creates synergies for the advancement of health by integrating patient care, health science education and biomedical research.

As a Regional Health System, NUHS works closely with health and social care partners across Singapore to develop and implement programmes that contribute to a healthy and engaged population in the Western part of Singapore.

For more information, please visit www.nuhs.edu.sg.



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About Singapore Health Services (SingHealth)

SingHealth, Singapore's largest public healthcare cluster, is committed to providing affordable, accessible and quality healthcare to patients. With a network of acute hospitals, national specialty centres, polyclinics and community hospitals offering over 40 clinical specialties, it delivers comprehensive, multidisciplinary and integrated care. Beyond hospital walls, SingHealth partners community care providers to enable the population to keep well, get well and live well. As part of the SingHealth Duke-NUS Academic Medical Centre, SingHealth also focuses on advancing education and research to continuously improve care outcomes for patients. For more information, please visit: www.singhealth.com.sg

Members of the SingHealth group

Hospitals (Tertiary Specialty Care):

Singapore General Hospital, Changi General Hospital, Sengkang General Hospital, KK Women's and Children's Hospital, and Eastern General Hospital (*expected completion around 2029 to 2030*)

National Specialty Centres (Tertiary Specialty Care):

National Cancer Centre Singapore, National Dental Centre Singapore, National Heart Centre Singapore, National Neuroscience Institute, and Singapore National Eye Centre

SingHealth Polyclinics (Primary Care):

Bedok, Bukit Merah, Eunos, Marine Parade, Outram, Pasir Ris, Punggol, Sengkang, Tampines, Tampines North *and Kaki Bukit (upcoming)*

SingHealth Community Hospitals (Intermediate and Long-term Care):

Sengkang Community Hospital, Outram Community Hospital, and Eastern Community Hospital (*expected completion around 2029 to 2030*)

About National Healthcare Group (NHG)

The National Healthcare Group (NHG) is a leader in public healthcare in Singapore recognised for delivering high value patient care. Our clinical services are provided through an integrated system of primary care polyclinics, acute care tertiary hospitals, community hospitals, national specialty centres, and community-based ambulatory care centres. Together, we provide comprehensive, holistic, and innovative healthcare to address the needs of our patients and the population we serve. As a learning organisation, we are establishing ourselves as an academic health system to drive clinical excellence, raise research intensity and grow our academic partnerships to continually improve the way we deliver care to our patients.

As the Regional Health Manager for 1.5 million residents in Central and North Singapore, NHG collaborates with private general practices, public and community health and social care providers to keep residents well and healthy.



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With more than 20,000 healthcare professionals in NHG, we are committed towards building healthier and resilient communities, and Adding Years of Healthy Life to the people we serve.

More information is available at www.nhg.com.sg.