

Dear Fellow IDians

It is time to bid Adieu. But I will always be in the service of the chapter. I am very contented and satisfied that I was able to provide some contribution to this august body. The following are highlights of the programs conducted during the year:

- ID Grand rounds, bimonthly online sessions, wherein difficult cases/interesting cases were discussed by National and international faculties. Had good viewership upto 750 members per session. The cases and discussions were compiled in the form of a book and published during NCPID.
- ID connect program, monthly online program, in which each session had experts across the country discussing various practical issues, for the benefit of practicing pediatricians.
- Antibiotic Prescription Made Easy (APME) is a module designed to guide the practicing Pediatrician in sensitizing practicing, the art of rational Prescription of antibiotics. Conducted TOT during Pedicon at Noida and more than 30 workshops were conducted in various parts of the country. Many more are being planned for future.

National Conference of Pediatric Infectious Diseases (NCPID) was held at Vellore on 18, 19, and 20th November 2022 at VIT auditorium. This was attended by more than 500 delegates was a great success. 3 preconference workshops – Antibiotic Prescription Made Easy (APME), Infection Control and Advanced Lab Diagnosis were conducted. The conference had high quality scientific deliberations, Young IDians sessions and Quiz for practicing pediatricians. The Young ID session was a first-of-its-kind session where the candidates who completed the Infectious diseases fellowship of ID Chapter were provided a platform to showcase their talent. Dr A Parthasarathy oration was delivered by Dr Balaji V, Professor of Clinical Microbiology at CMC Vellore. The topic of the oration was MDR Gram negative infection in the pandemic era – contemporary treatment options. This was well appreciated by one and all.

- Constitutional. Amendments were completed with change in the title of the chapter as IAP PIDA (Pediatric Infectious Disease Academy). This is the first IAP NCPID conference which was Environment friendly (No paper, No paper cup, Jute bags, No flex banners, and No flowers).

Textbook of Pediatric Infectious Disease 3rd Edition has also published during the year under leadership of Dr Jaydeep Choudhury I wish all the best to Dr Vasant Khalatkar and his team 2023.

Thank you all for your support and cooperation during my tenure as Chairperson, ID Chapter

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