



## IPA 2016 Congress Highlights

### August 17

- Anthony Lake, Executive Director of UNICEF was the Keynote Speaker for the opening ceremony which also featured the Eagle Song Dancers, Vancouver Children's Choir, Chibi Taiko Drummers and welcome addresses by IPA President Andreas Konstantopoulos and CPS President Jonathan Kronick.

### August 18

- Meet the experts Tony Barozzino and Chuck Hui addressed issues and barriers faced by immigrant children and highlight the utility of the "Caring for Kids New to Canada" resource.
- At the morning plenary, Richard Horton and Zulfiqar Bhutta set out a manifesto for child health and shared how pediatricians can contribute to these global goals!
- A discussion of current thinking and practice related to chronic pain was presented at the morning concurrent session titled Pain Management in Children and Adolescents.
- The Concurrent Session "Enhancing Quality of Newborn and Child Health Care", featured presentations from the World Health organization and included discussions on the benefits of engagement in youth and children for the delivery of healthcare.
- The afternoon plenary featured speakers provided information on mothers of refugee children and identify opportunities to improve brain health.

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- Experts Danielle Taddeo and Pei Yoong Lam spoke on the evaluation and management of eating disorders in older children and adolescents.
- The morning plenary featured innovative approaches and provided information on current and changing patterns of disease.
- How do we raise awareness of vaccine-preventable diseases including the importance of understanding vaccine hesitancy? Concurrent session: Immunization - Vaccine Hesitancy focused on these issues and more.
- Attendees discussed strategies for engaging families as partners in pediatric preventive services at the Patient and Parent Education concurrent session.
- How may influential articles change your practice? Lewis First, Noni MacDonald, Richard Horton and Nick Brown shared what's new in pediatric literature at the afternoon plenary.

### August 20

- At the Meet the Expert Session, Richard Stanwick and Andrew Lynk indicate how to create a successful team and determine needs beyond scientific evidence.
- At the morning plenary, speakers Ruth Etzel, Anthony Costello, and Bruce Lanphear discuss environmental impacts and the future of child health.
- What are the Hot Topics impacting pediatricians today? Our panel of concurrent speakers discussed subjects such as the management of Zika virus and bacterial pathogens.
- Dorothy Shaw and Prakesh Shah discuss historical trends and Evidence-based Practice for Improving Quality (EPIQ) to improve newborn care and outcome.
- How can pediatricians improve their understanding of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs)? Sandra Hassink, Douglas Bettcher and David Githanga discussed prevention, treatment and access at the afternoon plenary.

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### August 21

- Meet the Experts Hal Siden and Andrew Lynk share how to indicate the challenges and opportunities for pediatric palliative care and develop follow up plans to help families.
- The morning plenary featured speakers James Perrin, Olayinka Omigbodun and Ian Manion as they introduced a new understanding of epidemiology of child mental health.
- Margaret Fisher, Paul Koki Ndombo and Dorothy Esangbedo focused on the epidemiology, diagnosis and management of infections in children at the Ebola and Emerging Infections
- How can pediatricians provide a better understanding of injury prevention to reduce death and health costs? Attendees heard from panel of speakers at the Injury Prevention and Safety Concurrent Session.
- At the afternoon plenary, speakers Mickey Chopra and Aluisio Borros discussed a world free of list infections and indicated the intervention in assessing coverage and equity for child health everywhere.

### August 22

- Just Breathe! Dzung Vo discussed the science and practice of mindfulness interventions that pediatricians can use in their personal life and clinical practice.
- In the opening plenary, Chris Fabian, Susannah Stern and Aidan Scott provided the information and tools to help gain an understanding of how technology can better the mental and emotional lives of patients.
- What are the effects of war on children? How can pediatricians prevent violence in childhood and introduce evidence-based strategies at home and abroad? Our speakers discussed best strategies to support victimized youth.