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**PULSO: THE 2024 MEDICAL CONVENTION (MedCon)**

Attached is a letter from the University of the Philippines Pre-Medical Society dated April 5, 2024, inviting the participation of School Health personnel to join the upcoming PULSO: The 2024 Medical Convention (MedCon), for information and appropriate action.

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# [Request for Advisory Letter] University of the Philippines Pre-Medical Society Medical Convention 2024

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Fri, Apr 5, 2024 at 4:00 PM

Dear Honorable Division Superintendents of the Department of Education (National Capital Region):

Greetings of peace and good health!

The **U.P. Pre-Medical Society**, a recognized university-wide socio-civic organization at the **University of the Philippines-Diliman**, is humbly requesting your esteemed office to **officially endorse "PULSO: The 2024 Medical Convention (MedCon)"** by releasing an **advisory letter** to your constituent schools regarding the convention. MedCon is a highly anticipated annual two-day event that gathers medical students, general practitioners, and specialized physicians from diverse medical fields. The convention serves as a platform to educate and inspire the youth on their journey toward pursuing a career in medicine. With our Society's rich history and dedication to holistic development, MedCon aims to foster knowledge exchange, professional growth, and community engagement. A copy of the event primer is attached to this email to provide you with more information regarding the convention. Interested participants may also visit the following links to register:

- Registration Form:** <https://bit.ly/MedCon24CCRegForm>
- General Mechanics:** <https://bit.ly/MedCon24CCMechanics>
- Participant Prospectus:** <https://bit.ly/MedCon24CCProspectus>

Your invaluable endorsement would greatly enhance the visibility of our event, ensuring its success in reaching a broader audience of potential participants. By officially endorsing PULSO 2024, you would not only support the objectives of our convention but also contribute significantly to the advancement of medical education and professional development among students and practitioners. Your support would help us to continue our mission of inspiring and empowering the next generation of medical professionals.

Should you be amenable to a possible endorsement, we would love to hear from you on or before **April 15, 2024 (11:59 p.m.)**. If you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are thankful for your support in making MedCon 2024 a resounding success!

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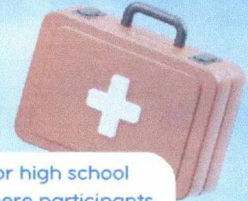
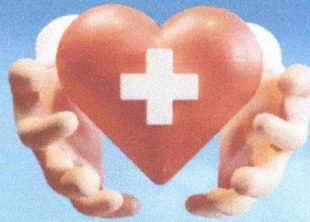


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# CASE COMPETITION IS BACK!



The **Medical Convention (MedCon) Case Competition** is a blended, two-round, and senior high school (SHS) level competition that **combines problem-solving and public speaking challenges**, where participants **propose practical and pertinent health solutions** for our case partner.

## REGISTRATION GUIDELINES

1. The case competition is open to **ALL public and private senior high schools in the Philippines**.
2. Senior high school students can apply **solo** or **in teams of 3 to 5**. If applying individually, the organizers will create teams of 3 to 5 based on the number of confirmed entries.
3. The registration fee is **Php 150 per team** or **Php 30 per individual**, which includes access to training sessions, a resource drive, and mentorship from case partner representatives and/or PMS Management Board.
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## WHY SHOULD YOU JOIN?

1. Develop critical thinking abilities, creating creative and feasible solutions and problem-solving skills through real-world challenges of Filipino communities.
2. Foster collaboration and communication skills through teamwork and presentation abilities.
3. Networking opportunities with fellow aspiring doctors and experts in medicine, public health, and social innovation from all over the Philippines.

## PRIZES



<b>1ST PLACE</b>	<b>PHP 10,000.00</b>
<b>2ND PLACE</b>	<b>PHP 5,000.00</b>
<b>3RD PLACE</b>	<b>PHP 2,500.00</b>

## TIMELINE

**REGISTRATION PERIOD**  
March 20, 2024 to April 10, 2024

**PRELIMINARY ROUND**  
Training Session 1  
April 13, 2024 (Zoom)  
**Submissions Deadline** -  
April 20, 2024 (11:59 PM)

**FINAL ROUND**  
Training Session 2  
April 27, 2024 (Zoom)  
**Submissions Deadline** -  
May 9, 2024 (11:59 PM)

**FINAL ROUND PRESENTATION**  
May 11, 2024  
F2F: Alcantara Hall, Student Union Building, UP Diliman

**SIGN UP HERE!**





U.P. PRE-MEDICAL SOCIETY

# PULSO MEDCON 2024

EVENT PRIMER



## INVITATION LETTER

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## WHO WE ARE

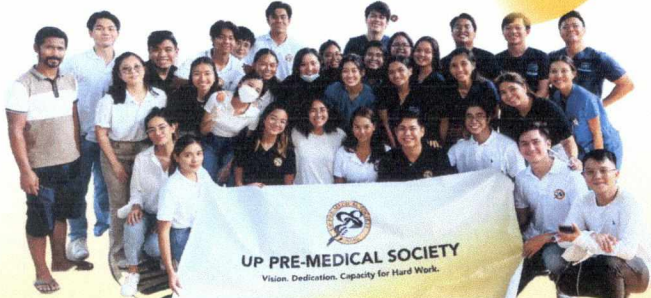
The UP Pre-Medical Society (UP PMS), a recognized university-wide socio-civic organization at the University of the Philippines, Diliman, proudly boasts a rich history dating back to its establishment in 1956. Comprising a dynamic and dedicated cohort of individuals from diverse degree programs, the Society stands as a testament to the members' collective passion for aiding and assisting fellow Filipinos.

Last 2011, the Society was awarded by the Bank of the Philippine Islands as one of the

*Most Outstanding Volunteer Organizations in the Philippines*

For its continuous dedication to public service, the Society has also been chosen as one of the recipients of the

*National Service Training Program (NSTP) Reservist Grant 2020*



Throughout its history, the UP Pre-Medical Society has been a driving force behind numerous community-oriented projects, including medical-dental-tuli missions, outreach programs, blood drives, and donation campaigns. With each initiative, the Society actively promotes the values of compassion, service, and solidarity, leaving an indelible mark on the university community and beyond. As the Society continues its mission, UP PMS invites others to join in the efforts to contribute to a healthier and more compassionate society.



## WHAT WE DO

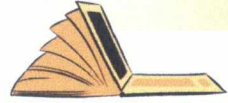
In its 65 years of existence, the UP Pre-Medical Society has consistently undertaken pertinent projects aimed at serving the most vulnerable sectors of society. Renowned for its community-oriented initiatives, the society actively involves the UP community, children, and elderly from various foundations, as well as different barangays within and outside of Metro Manila. Continuing this longstanding tradition of service and holistic development is an integral part of its mission.

Amidst the recent developments of the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Society seizes the opportunity to leverage its expertise in giving back and contributing to the betterment of society. This year, more than ever, PMS places emphasis on crafting initiatives designed to assist Filipinos by providing essential resources and goods. The commitment to service and the well-being of the community remains steadfast as the UP Pre-Medical Society navigates these challenging times with resilience and a renewed dedication to its mission.





## TOP INITIATIVES



### SULONG 2.0

Total Insights in the span of 30 Days:

- Over 84,300 people reached / average of 21,000 per post
- Over 6,200 engagements / average of 1,550 per post

### SULONG AND SULONG 2.0

A series of donation drives for students who are in dire need of devices and a stable internet connection in order to capacitate them for online learning and other alternative learning experiences.

Most recent beneficiary (2021): We were able to raise Php 72,298 for 10 children of the Samahang Manininda Sa UP Campus (SMUPC) members.

- 9 corporate partnerships
- 49 organization partners
- 2 media partners



Post Insights for project duration

- 19 posts
- 96 average shares
- 369 average engagements
- 3640 average reach

### SULYAP

An initiative to provide 250 Instructional Health Kits for distribution to the residents of the UP Community to help augment proper education on well-being and safety amidst the COVID-19 pandemic. These kits contain medical essentials, hygiene supplies, and food items along with an instructional booklet.

- raised Php 465,000 through donations and sponsors
- 11 corporate sponsors
- 9 SMEs
- 1 media partner



Medical School Immersion

### MEDGALA

A two-part initiative for the benefit of UP PMS members touring them throughout different prominent medical schools in Metro Manila such as UP College of Medicine, UERMMMC College of Medicine, Ateneo School of Medicine and Public Health, and more.



## OTHER INITIATIVES

### AKAP (Aral, Kwento, at Pasyal)

- A one-day event for children under a chosen beneficiary with activities such as: storytelling, basic hygiene lessons, a field trip, and gift-giving.
- *Most recent beneficiary (2022):* 37 children from Boystown, Marikina

### EDUCATION

#### Lingap: An ACLE on Public Health and Community-led Health Responses

- The Society hosted an Alternative Class Learning Experience (ACLE) session tackling public health, sharing experiences on community-led COVID-19 pandemic responses, and improving access to primary healthcare and basic health needs.
- 80+ Zoom participants, 800+ Facebook Live views

#### Mental Health Awareness

- A mental health campaign in October that takes inspiration from the Kapwa Theory in Filipino psychology, which emphasizes our shared sense of self and pakikipagkapwa even amidst the isolation and uncertainties brought about by the pandemic.
- 18 Organization Partners
- 6 Media Partners
- 200+ Webinar Attendees

#### Vitals and First Aid Training

- to further equip the members of the Society with the necessary skills to be of better service to the Filipino people
- In partnership with UP Red Cross Youth



## OTHER INITIATIVES

### SOCIO-CIVIC

#### Environmental Projects

- **Usbong** (November 2022): 1,000 saplings planted in Banal na Bundok, Magalang, Pampanga in partnership with the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office (PENRO)-Pampanga from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR)
  - Donation received: Php 30,005
- **Spruce It Up** (January 2024): 300 saplings planted in Siniloan, Laguna in collaboration with Fostering Education & Environment for Development (FEED)

#### Annual Medical and Dental Missions

- Community-based activities to provide free medical and dental check-ups, circumcision services, medicine, and food supplements as well as a sustainable project to people in need of free and accessible health care services
- Recent beneficiary (April 2023): 96 people in Mariveles, Bataan
- Recent beneficiary (May 2023): 170 people in Manila Boystown Complex, Marikina
- Recent beneficiary (December 2023): 50 children in the SMUPC Dental Mission in Brgy. UP Campus

#### Blood Drives

- *Most recent (2023):* Kapatid: A one-day blood donation drive in collaboration with UP Red Cross Youth that aims to contribute to the blood supply shortage amidst the pandemic. Blood bags were donated to the Society's official blood bank partner, the Philippine Red Cross.
- Held in the UP Diliman campus with 61 blood donors

#### Pamasko

- Annual gift-giving tradition for pediatric patients who spend their Christmas season in health or community-based facilities.
- *Most recent beneficiary (December 2023):* Manila Boystown Kid's Home

## OUR REACH IN NUMBERS

68  
years

200+  
resident  
members

670+  
alumni

150+  
applicants  
per year

18,000+  
Facebook  
likes

7,900+  
Clothing  
Clinic likes

770+  
Twitter  
followers

1,300+  
Instagram  
followers

150+  
past  
organization  
partners

60+  
past  
sponsors



# PULSO MEDCON 2024

## PULSO ABOUT THE UP PMS MEDCON 2024

The UP Pre-Medical Society (UP PMS) will hold "PULSO: The 2024 Medical Convention" this upcoming May 18-19, 2024 at the University of the Philippines-Diliman Campus, Quezon City. This will mark the second face-to-face event of MedCon, after embracing the empowering theme of "Synergist: Moving Dreams Together" last year. MedCon aims to provide a comprehensive insight into the captivating world of medicine and its diverse specializations.

### Dynamic Collaboration and Diversity

MedCon emphasizes dynamic collaboration, diversity, and encouragement for the next generation of medical professionals. Participants will be welcomed to a vibrant atmosphere that promotes unity and shared dreams within the medical community.

### Educational Sessions

The event will cover a spectrum of topics crucial to aspiring medical professionals, including accelerated medical programs, insights into traditional pre-medicine programs, valuable tips for medical school applications, navigating life during medical school, and exploring various medical specialties.



## PULSO ABOUT THE UP PMS MEDCON 2024

### MEDCON EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

#### Panel Seminar

The panel seminar will feature distinguished speakers from diverse medical fields, including medical students, general practitioners, and specialized physicians. The seminar will provide a platform for sharing experiences, offering advice, and inspiring the next generation of medical professionals.



#### Case Competition

The senior high school level case competition will provide an avenue where participants can undergo training sessions to craft innovative, youth-led, and community-oriented health solutions. The competition, supported by a partner entity, will begin online and culminate in an in-person presentation, fostering creativity and problem-solving skills among the participants.



MedCon stands as a flagship event of the UP Pre-Medical Society, embodying its mission to educate and inspire the youth in their pursuit of a career in medicine. The success of last year's event underscores the organization's commitment to promoting collaboration, diversity, and encouragement within the aspiring medical professionals' community.

In line with this, it would be our greatest honor to partner with you in making this year's MedCon a success!

*We look forward to hearing from you soon!*

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# THANK YOU!

We invite you to help us  
inspire the youth and pave  
the way for a brighter  
future in medicine.  
Together, let us continue to  
give it life.

