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**UP PRE-MEDICAL SOCIETY'S MEDICAL CONVENTION
 (MedCon) CASE COMPETITION**

The UP Pre-Medical Society, a duly-recognized, university-wide, socio-civic organization in the University of the Philippines, Diliman, will hold its Medical Convention (MedCon) Case Competition with the following timeline:

| REGISTRATION | PRELIMINARY ROUND | FINAL ROUND | FINAL ROUND PRESENTATION |
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| March 20, 2024 to April 24, 2024 | Training Session 1 April 27, 2024 (Zoom) | Training Session 2 May 11, 2024 (Zoom) | May 18, 2024 F2F: Alcantara Hall, Student Union Building, UP Diliman |
| | Submissions Deadline May 4, 2024 (11:59 PM) | Submissions Deadline May 16, 2024 (11:59 PM) | |

Attached is the mechanics of the said competition.

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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.
4. For those interested to join the competition, register and access further details here:
 - a. Registration form: <https://bit.ly/MedCon24CCRegForm>
 - b. General Mechanics: <https://bit.ly/MedCon24CCProspectus>
 - c. Participant Prospectus: <https://bit.ly/MedCon24CCMechanics>

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



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| 1ST PLACE | PHP 5,000.00 |
| 2ND PLACE | PHP 3,000.00 |
| 3RD PLACE | PHP 2,000.00 |

TIMELINE

REGISTRATION PERIOD
March 20, 2024 to April 24, 2024

PRELIMINARY ROUND
Training Session 1
April 27, 2024 (Zoom)
Submissions Deadline -
May 4, 2024 (11:59 PM)

FINAL ROUND
Training Session 2
May 11, 2024 (Zoom)
Submissions Deadline -
May 16, 2024 (11:59 PM)

FINAL ROUND PRESENTATION
May 18, 2024
F2F: Alcantara Hall, Student Union Building, UP Diliman

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Pulso: Ritmo ng Pag-asa

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Who We Are

The U.P. Pre-Medical Society is a **duly-recognized, university-wide, socio-civic organization** in the University of the Philippines, Diliman. Last 2011, the Society was awarded as one of the *Most Outstanding Volunteer Organizations* by the Bank of the Philippine Islands. In 2020, the Society has been chosen as one of the recipients of the *National Service Training Program (NSTP) Reservist Grant* for its continuous dedication to public service.

Since 1956, the Society has spearheaded numerous community-oriented projects such as **medical-dental-tuli missions, outreach programs, blood drives, and donation drives.**

Consisting of young, hardworking, and dedicated individuals from different degree programs, the Society is united in the common passion of aiding and assisting fellow Filipinos.

What We Do

The **UP Pre-Medical Society (UP PMS)** is dedicated to **community service and health education.** Through initiatives like for students and environmental projects, we provide resources to underserved communities. Our annual medical and dental missions, blood drives, and events like Pamasko address diverse health needs. Additionally, we prioritize mental health awareness and offer training through initiatives like Vitals and First Aid Training

UP PMS remains committed to empowering communities and inspiring future health professionals through partnerships with various organizations and media. Our holistic approach to healthcare and dedication to community service underline our mission of fostering a healthier society.

About MedCon

The **UP PMS Medical Convention (MedCon) 2024** spans two days and serves as a premier event designed to enlighten and motivate young individuals embarking on the path of medicine, emphasizing the significance of various specializations within the field.

This year, MedCon's theme is **Pulso: Ritmo ng Pag-asa.** The theme encapsulates the heartbeat of hope that drives aspiring medical professionals forward on their journey, symbolizing the rhythm of life, determination, and the promise of a brighter future through medicine

- **MedCon Event Highlights**

- Panel Seminar
 - MedCon 2024 begins in May with one seminar day that will feature renowned speakers from varied yet equally relevant medical fields, namely medical students, general practitioners, and specialized physicians, as they share their experiences, give advice, and ultimately inspire our target audience in their pursuit of a career in medicine.
- Case Competition
 - MedCon 2024 continues with a senior high school level competition where participants will undergo training sessions towards crafting innovative, youth-led, and community-oriented health solutions for a case provided by the partner entity. Sessions begin with an online setup and culminate in an in-person presentation.

About MedCon - Case Competition

The event will be composed of two rounds, a Preliminary Round and Final Round. Training sessions will be held before each round to guide the participants on how to approach the problem. Submission entries will be evaluated by veteran PMS members and representatives from our case partner

Schedule of Events

Registration Period - March 18, 2024 to April 24, 2024

Case Partner Reveal - April 22, 2024

Preliminary Round

Training Session 1 - April 27, 2024 (Saturday) [Online; Zoom]

Preliminary Round Submissions - May 4, 2024 (Saturday; 11:59 PM)

Final Round

Training Session 2 - May 11, 2024 (Saturday) [Online; Zoom]

Final Round Submissions - May 16, 2024 (Thursday) 11:59 PM

Final Round Presentations - May 18, 2024 (Saturday) [F2F: Room 423, Student Union Building, UP Diliman]

Prizes

1ST: PHP 5,000.00

2ND: PHP 3,000.00

3RD: PHP 2,000.00

Why You Should Join?

- Gain relevant knowledge and mentorship opportunities from experts in medicine, public health, and social innovation
 - PMS MedCon provides a chance for you to work closely with the country's leading experts in public health solutions and innovations. The training and mentorship programs will equip you with the foundational knowledge and skills in proposing science-driven solutions to real public health problems. This experience will allow you to hone your skills in collaboration, critical thinking, public speaking, and problem solving.
- Work with peers to provide a concrete solution to help a community in need
 - You will be given the opportunity to implement your proposed solution and make a difference, and hopefully, a transformative change in the lives of our case partner community.
- Build a network with fellow aspiring doctors and healthcare professionals
 - You will be participating alongside senior high school students who share the same passion for the field of medicine and public health. Together, you will make history as participants of one of the country's first ever high-school level medical case competitions. You will be provided with opportunities to form lasting bonds with your peers as the next generation of health professionals.

Registration Guidelines

1. The pitch competition is **open to public and private high schools** in the Philippines. Please note that:
 - a. The training sessions and preliminary round will be held online.
 - b. The final round will be held face-to-face in Metro Manila.
2. Each school can send multiple teams composed of **3 to 5 Grade 11 to 12 high school students**.
3. Students may also register individually and be grouped together by the organizers with other individual registrants to form a team of 3 to 5.
4. The registration fee for **groups will be Php 150** whereas for **individual participants it will be Php 30**. The fee consists of the following inclusions:
 - a. Access to training sessions
 - b. Mentorship from case partner representatives and/or PMS Management Board
5. Answer the registration form: <https://bit.ly/MedCon24CCRegForm>
6. The registration period will be from **March 18, 2024 to April 24, 2024**. The organizers will not be accepting participants who apply after the set deadline.
7. Online synchronous events will primarily take place using Zoom, participants must have the application downloaded and updated.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Are college students allowed to participate in the Medcon Case Competition?
 - a. The Medcon Case Competition is open to Grade 11 and 12 students only.
2. Where can non-participants view the Medcon Case Competition?
 - a. The final round of the Medcon Case Competition will be held face-to-face (Venue: TBA). Admission to watch the final round will be open for close family and friends of the participants. Further details will be provided soon.
3. Are training sessions open to the public?
 - a. The training sessions are closed-door sessions. They are only available for confirmed participants of the Medcon Case Competition
4. Does a group need to come from the same batch and/or school?
 - a. Participants may come from different schools and batches provided that the team is composed of 3 to 5 Grade 11 to 12 students.
5. Are minors allowed to participate in the Medcon Case Competition?
 - a. Minors are allowed to participate in the MedCon Case Competition. Regardless of age, participants are advised to have a legal guardian, mentor, or adviser to complete the registration process for them and guide them throughout the competition.
6. Should I come from a STEM or Allied Health track to participate?
 - a. The MedCon Case Competition is open to all Grade 11 and 12 students, regardless of track. Teams may also be composed of students from different senior high school tracks.
7. How will the competition be conducted?
 - a. The Preliminary Round will entail a submission of a 3-page canvas of the competing team's proposed solution, along with a 2-minute elevator pitch to be posted on the team member's personal Facebook accounts. The entries will then be screened and evaluated by the panel of judges which will be composed of case partner representatives and PMS Management Board affiliates. The Top 5 proposals will be proceeding to the Final Round.
 - b. The Final Round will be held face-to-face (Venue: Alcantara Hall, SUB, UP Diliman). The teams will present their case solutions live to a panel of judges. Prior to the event, the Top 5 finalists should have submitted a copy of their visual aids and presentation outlines. A 15-minute Question and Answer session will be held after the presentations. Questions will come from the panel and the audience.
 - c. The MedCon Case Competition will consist of two training sessions, a Preliminary Round, and a Final Round. The Preliminary Round will be conducted asynchronously, while the training sessions and Final Round will take place synchronously. The synchronous training and mentoring sessions will be conducted through Zoom, and are open only to confirmed participants of the MedCon Case Competition. The first training session will take place before the Preliminary Round. The Top 5 finalists will be given a mentorship

and/or a second training session before the Final Round. Mentors will be outsourced from case partner representatives or PMS Management Board affiliates.

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