

Pakistan's Healthcare Conundrum – Balancing Cost, Quality, and Technology

Liaquat National Hospital (LNH) was inaugurated on October 16th, 1958, by Begum Naheed Iskander Mirza, as a not-for-profit organization with a vision to provide quality healthcare at an affordable cost to all socioeconomic classes. LNH began its journey with only four OPD services and just 50 inpatient beds. Over the past 66 years, LNH has grown into one of Pakistan's premier healthcare institutions, now housing over 805 beds and offering a comprehensive range of services in more than 40 clinical disciplines. Annually, over 700,000 patients are treated through its OPDs, and LNH is recognized for its team of over 190 highly trained consultants, who are considered among the best in the country.

The mission of Liaquat National Hospital is to serve as a non-commercial and non-profit organization dedicated to providing high-quality healthcare services to all individuals, and serve as a forum for academics and research excellence. To fulfill its mission of advancing healthcare through knowledge and innovation, Liaquat National Hospital is organizing the 8th LNH Symposium, titled Pakistan's Healthcare Conundrum– Balancing Cost, Quality, and Technology

This prestigious event aims to bring together medical professionals, policymakers, and industry leaders to discuss the critical challenges facing Pakistan's healthcare system. The symposium will focus on finding solutions to the ongoing struggle of maintaining a balance between the rising costs of healthcare, ensuring the delivery of high-quality medical services, and incorporating the latest technological advancements. Through thought-provoking presentations, expert panels, and interactive discussions, the event seeks to identify actionable solutions and collaborate to build a future where every citizen has access to affordable, high-quality healthcare as well as help in fostering strong bond among healthcare community.



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(Secretary Symposium)

PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

To further enrich the participants' experience, LNH is pleased to offer a series of Pre-Conference Workshops beginning from December 14th, 2024. These intensive, hands-on sessions offer an opportunity to both novices and experienced professionals to delve deeper into specific topics and enhance their practical skills. Additionally it provides an occasion for participants to connect and collaborate with peers.

Over a 120 sessions will be conducted by experts of national and international repute. The workshops cover a wide range of topics from both medical and non-medical areas including the emerging important field of AI in health, education and research.

The sessions will address topics in the following areas.

Accident & Emergency	Allied Health Sciences	Anesthesia
Basic Sciences	Cardiac Surgery	Cardiology
Chest Medicine	Critical Care	Dental & Maxillofacial Surgery
Dermatology	Endocrinology	Family Medicine
Gastroenterology	General Surgery	Haematology
Health Professions Education	Infectious Disease	Internal Medicine
Mental Health	Molecular Pathology	Nephrology
Neurology	Neurosurgery	Obstetrics & Gynecology
Occupational Therapy	Oncology	Ophthalmology
Orthopedics	Pathology	Pediatrics
Pediatric Surgery	Plastic Surgery	Quality Assurance
Radiology	Research	Rheumatology
Thoracic Surgery	Urology	Vascular Surgery

Workshops will be held online and on-site.

For further details and registration for symposium and pre-conference workshops, please visit:

<https://symposium2025.lnh.edu.pk/>



SYMPOSIUM HIGHLIGHTS

Liaquat National Hospital is hosting the 8th LNH Symposium from January 10th to 12th, 2025. The landmark event will feature a total of 70 scientific sessions that span across a wide range of medical specialties, sub-specialties, basic sciences and medical education. The symposium will also cover oral and e-poster presentations of over 700 research papers. In addition to the core medical topics, the symposium will include a range of sessions for Allied Health Professionals, such as physiotherapists, occupational therapists, speech therapists, nurses, medical technologists, pharmacists and also of Hospital/Healthcare Administration and expects 3,500 attendees.

Doctors from leading medical institutions and hospitals, within and outside Pakistan are participating in the symposium. International institutes from Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Malaysia, Singapore, UK & USA shall be joining virtually via Zoom to share their knowledge and insights.

The symposium has the honor to have renowned speakers like Assoc. Prof. Afag Aghayeva, Acibadem Altunizade Hospital, Istanbul, Turkey; Deniz Atasoy, M.D. Assoc. Prof. General Surgery, Fulya Acibadem Hospital, Turkey; Dr. Florence Rochelle Endocrinologist & Bariatric Physician, University of Santo Tomas Hospital Manila, Philippines; Prof. Aziza T. Shad M.D. Chief Pediatric Hematology & Oncology – Director, Kara Amey Cancer Survivorship Program, USA; Dr. Chih-Kun Huang, Director of Metabolic & Bariatric surgery department, China Medical University Hospital, Taiwan; Prof. Mohammed Jawed, MD Consultant Interventional and diagnostic radiologist Memorial Hermann Health system Ex Associates Professor SuNU upstate University Hospital, USA; Prof. Dr. Imran Syed, Basildon University Hospital England U.K and others.

Keeping in view the theme of the symposium, the sessions will cover a diverse collection of topics related to technological advancements in healthcare, public health, quality control and future of healthcare.

One of the highlights of the event will be a lively debate on a pressing issue in healthcare, along with video conferences featuring renowned experts from the USA and UK. An added attraction will be the multiple hybrid sessions throughout the symposium, offering both in-person and virtual learning opportunities during workshops and scientific sessions. Adding to the experience is a book fair, which will showcase not only healthcare-related publications but also works of fiction and poetry, adding a cultural touch to the event.