



Department of Education
REGION IV-A CALABARZON

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Regional Memorandum

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117TH PHILIPPINE DENTAL ASSOCIATION (PDA) ANNUAL CONVENTION AND SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS

To: **Schools Division Superintendents**
SDO/ School Dentists

1. In reference to the Advisory No. 224, s. 2025¹, this office, through the Education Support Services Division- School Health Section disseminates to the field the information regarding the conduct of **117th Philippine Dental Association (PDA) Annual Convention and Scientific Sessions** on May 11- 15, 2026 at SMX Convention Center, Seashell Lane, Mall of Asia Complex, Pasay City with the theme, "PDA: Empowered".
2. The Convention aims to:
 - a. ensure the highest standards of dental care for our patients;
 - b. invite dentists to attend, participate in evidence-based lectures, scientific sessions, workshops, exhibits, table clinics, and research presentations, and networking events to help advance dental services for patients; and
 - c. grants the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) units in accordance with RA 9484 and the Dental Code of Ethics, which are required to maintain good standing and are prerequisites for positions as Dentists in the Department of Education.
3. The participants in this activity are DepEd Dentists, subject to the following conditions:
 - a. participation shall not interfere with regular functions and responsibilities;
 - b. all other details in the attached Annexes: the Advisory No. 224, s. 2025, and the Scientific Matrix of the Convention and Scientific Sessions is enforced; and
 - c. Travel and other related expenses incurred for attendance can be charged to local funds, subject to availability and the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
4. For concerns and inquiries, contact Dr. Eduarda M. Zapanta, Chief Education Supervisor of the Education Support Services Division or Dr. Ma. Teresita G.

¹ 117th Annual Convention and Scientific Sessions, November 11, 2025



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5. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.



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Annex A to 117th Philippine Dental Association (PDA) Annual Convention and Scientific Sessions

Advisory No. **224**, s. 2025

November 11, 2025

In compliance with DepEd Order (DO) No. 8, s. 2013
this advisory is issued not for endorsement per DO 28, s. 2001,
but only for the information of DepEd officials,
personnel/staff, as well as the concerned public.
(Visit www.deped.gov.ph)

117th ANNUAL CONVENTION AND SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS

The Philippine Dental Association (PDA) Inc. will conduct its 117th Annual Convention and Scientific Sessions at the SMX Convention Center, Seashell Lane, Mall of Asia Complex, Pasay City, on May 11-15, 2026, with the theme PDA: Empowered.

This year's Convention celebrates excellence, innovation, and unity in dentistry, with a focus on delivering the highest standards of patient care. All government dentists are invited to participate in world-class lectures, scientific sessions, workshops, exhibits, and networking events to help advance dental services for the Filipino people.

All scientific sessions/meetings include evidence-based lectures and practices, table clinics, and research presentations that everyone can see, hear, and apply in their own practices.

Interested participants may visit <https://117.pda.com.ph> for more information about the Convention.

Participation of public and private schools shall be purely voluntary and will not hamper instructional time in compliance with the provisions of DepEd Order (DO) No. 012, s. 2025, titled Multi-Year Implementing Guidelines on the School Calendar and Activities and DO 9, s. 2005, titled Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time- on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith and the policy on off-campus activities stated in DO 66, s. 2017.

This is also subject to the no-collection policy as stated in Section 3 of Republic Act No. 5546 also known as An Act Prohibiting the Sale of Tickets and/or the Collection of Contributions for Whatever Project or Purpose from Students and Teachers of Public and Private Schools, Colleges and Universities (Ganzon Law).

For more information, please contact:

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Annex B to 117th Philippine Dental Association (PDA) Annual Convention and Scientific Sessions

 117th ANNUAL CONVENTION & SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS May 11-15, 2026 SMX Convention Center									
	May 10, 2026	FUNCTION ROOM 1	FR 3	FUNCTION ROOM 4	MEETING ROOM 5,6	MEETING ROOM 7,8			
PRE-CONGRESS	8:00 - 9:15			Pre-Registration Ceremonies					
	9:30 - 10:45			President's Dialogue					
DAY 1	11:00 - 12:00		One Stop Shop	Pre-Convention Lecture Emergency Medicine: Back to Basics Dr. Stanley F. Malamed					
	1:00 - 2:15								
	2:30 - 3:45								
	4:00 - 5:00								
	8:00 - 9:15	May 11, 2026	FUNCTION ROOM 1,2	FR 3	FUNCTION ROOM 4	MEETING ROOM 5,6	MEETING ROOM 7,8,9		
DAY 2	8:00 - 9:15								
	9:30 - 10:45	From Error to Excellence: Correcting Mistakes in Clinical Dentistry		The Periodontal Key to Long-Term Implant Success Dr. Leo Gerald R. De Castro	PADC MEETING	WORKSHOP (10:00-12:00) Bone Grafting, Socket Augmentation: Made Easy by MOVERTX	Conference Presentations Oral & Poster Presentations		
	11:00 - 12:00	A Multidisciplinary Approach to Dental Setbacks	One Stop Shop	Regenerative Techniques on Periodontal and Peri-implant Dentists Dr. Tino Mercado					
	1:00 - 2:15	How Orthognathic Surgery Supports Modern Dental Practice Dr. Po-Chih Hsu				WORKSHOP (1:00-3:00) Cracking the White Code: A Clinical Workshop How Teaching + Direct Viewers Can Be the Best Way to Enhance Smile's Beauty by TRILANZ	Conference Presentations Judging of Shortlisted Presentations		
	2:30 - 3:45	Benign Giant Cell Tumours Dr. M. Thomas Abraham							
DAY 3	8:00 - 9:15	May 12, 2026	FUNCTION ROOM 1	FUNCTION ROOM 2,3	FUNCTION ROOM 4	FUNCTION ROOM 5	MEETING ROOM 1	MR 5,6	MR 7,8,9
	8:00 - 9:15		Hi! Me with Your Best Shot Making Local Anesthesia More Effective and More Comfortable Dr. Stanley F. Malamed						
	9:30 - 10:45								
	11:00 - 12:00								
	1:00 - 2:15	CKD & Oral Health Dr. Catherine P. Ang		INSTRUMENT SESSION Part 1 Sawing and Drilling - Tips of the Trade - BROADBENT Part 2 New Search - Using the Right Instrument Dr. Marco Estrella Part 3 MANIPULATION Dr. Gary V. Brito	CBCT Fundamentals in Daily Practice Dr. Abdulrahman El-Hawary	DENTAL HYGIENISTS' FORUM "My Teeth Are Dirty" A Clinician's Perspective on Oral Health of Most Unfortunate Older Adults Dr. Raymond Cayabyab	WORKSHOP (2:00 - 5:00) Dental Laser in Modern Dentistry by WOODPECKER	HALLEON SESSION All Orthognathic Surgeries Integrated with Bone Health for the Dental Professional Dr. Charles A. C. Wissman	
2:30 - 3:45	Prescription Writing in Pediatric and Adult Patients Part 1: Pharmacological Management of Patients in Dentistry Dr. Fina G. Lopez		Integrating Whitening and Composite Restorations for Consistent Aesthetic Outcomes in Daily Practice Dr. Thiago Otoboni	All Guided Implant Placement Dr. Paul Martin Weigl	The Secret Link How Periodontal Disease Shapes Systemic Health Dr. Regine Stelie S. Rodriguez				
4:00 - 5:00	Part 2: Updated Guidelines in Prescription Writing for Children								
DAY 4	8:00 - 9:15	May 13, 2026	FUNCTION ROOM 1,2,3	FUNCTION ROOM 4	FUNCTION ROOM 5	MEETING ROOM 5,6	MR 7, 8, 9		
	8:00 - 9:15		Brushing: Breaking the Grind What Every Dentist Should Know Dr. Antonio Romero	Aligners vs Traditional Braces: Navigating the Orthodontic Landscape Dr. Robert L. Eustaquio	"To Biopsy or not to Biopsy?" That is the Question! Updates in Oral and Maxillofacial Lesions: Diagnostic Approach and Management Dr. Ajayvudh Subarnithesha				
	9:30 - 10:45	Tongue-Tie and Oral Function: Diagnosis, Proper Case Selection, Treatment Planning Dr. Irene Lau	Workshop Dr. Warishi Pitkanonda	Interpretation of Radiographs (CBCT) from a GP Point of View Dr. Myra Elliott		WORKSHOP (10:00 - 12:00) Major Matters A Workshop on CBCT in Periodontics by FRONTIER DENTAL PRODUCTS			
	11:00 - 12:00	Sleep Interrupted, Lives Disrupted OSA from Childhood to Adulthood Agnes N. Terano-Remilla MD	Session 1: Orthodontics - Management of Everyday Moderate Complex Cases with Clear Aligners Session 2: Prosthodontics - Management of Endodontic / Restorative / Prosthodontic Cases Using Clear Aligners 11:00 - 12:00 Staying Alive: Finding the Grail of Periodontal Prognosis Dr. Samantha Nila Marie R. Uy-Eguerra	Impacted Third Molars: To Remove or Not to Remove Dr. Maria Antonia E. Esquillo		OPAP SESSION Search and Sense: Making the Right Call in TMD Special Therapy Dr. Antonio Romero Garcia	Health & Wellness		
	1:00 - 2:15	Optimizing Clinical Outcomes in the Restoration of Endodontically Treated Teeth Dr. Maria Cristina F. Morales	12:30 - 4:00 From Crazy Lines to Complete Fractures: Managing Cracked Tooth Syndromes Dr. Leo De Castro	14:00 - 5:00 Drug Interactions and Oral Health in the Elderly: Managing Polypharmacy in the Dental Practice Dr. Prudencio T. Dequika, Jr.	Polypharmacy: How it Affects Dentistry Dr. Myra Elliott				
2:30 - 3:45	Vital Pulp Therapy in the Primary Teeth and Young Permanent Teeth Dr. Anna Maria Sananes-Brisset			PATENCY and SEALING: Key Factors for a Successful Retreatment Dr. Najib Kharouf					
4:00 - 5:00	Completing Endodontic Success: Evidence-Based Final Restoration Strategies Dr. Marie Angeline O. De Jesus			Structured Approach for the Management of Bruxism Dr. Hee Hon Tan					
DAY 5	8:00 - 9:15	May 14, 2026	FR 1	FUNCTION ROOM 2,3	FUNCTION ROOM 4	FUNCTION ROOM 5	MEETING ROOM 5,6	MR 7,8,9	
	8:00 - 9:15		Dentistry for the Aging Population Part 1: Temporomandibular Disorders in the Elderly: From Diagnosis to Multidisciplinary Care Dr. Teekaya P. Jorns	Orthodontic Management in Pediatric Patients Dr. Caesar Joseph L. Meere	Hypertension in the Dental Clinic: Where Are We Now? Teodoro B. Ramos MD	Dental Technologist Forum			
	9:30 - 10:45	Part 2: "So What if it's Flat?" Clinical Prosthodontic Solutions in Managing Severely Resorbed Complete and Partially Edentulous Ridges Dr. Arnon L. Rivera	The Digital Second Opinion: An Acquired Diagnosis in Everyday Orthodontics Dr. Rina Isabella Dolatre-Turner	Strengthening the Art of Differential Diagnosis in Oral Surgery Dr. Maria Cristina Lagaya-Estrada	"Yes and No" - Using Temporary and Practical Solutions for Multiple Impaction Arch: Ana Bryan Campos, ADT Fraser: Nicole Fuller, GDF	Health & Wellness			
	11:00 - 12:00	Part 3: Increasing Utilization to Care for Geriatric Population Using Silver Diamine Fluoride Dr. Edbert P. Solano	The Dental Age Estimation for Clinical Treatment Planning Dr. Gernilyn Krizza Go	Bidirectional Risks Understanding Diabetes and Periodontal Disease Dr. Rathna Devi Vaithilingam	Overdentures Revisited: Clinical and Laboratory Update Dr. Wilbert Labraga				
	1:00 - 2:15	Table Clinics	Early Detection: Periodontal Subtle Changes to Watch For Dr. Juan Rafael R. Silva	Functional Occlusion in Restorative Dentistry Dr. Mohan Bhuvanewaran	The Dangerous Evolution of HIV in the Philippines Edel Maurice T. Salvana MD	AFTERNOON SESSION PROVIDE: High Quality Dental Care up to Primary Ridge With Silver Protein: Nicole Fuller, GDF			
2:30 - 3:45	Faith on the Move: Understanding the Dynamics of Mobility Dr. Ramon Lorenzo G. Guerrero	Layer by Layer: The Power of 3D Printing in Dentistry Dr. Aaron Christian L. Rivera	Don't Just Treat the Tooth, Manage the Threat: Concepts of Biological Safety and Risk Assessment in Dentistry Dr. Gianni Edward Usanday	From Lines to Dental Laboratory To Real World: Dental Dr. Neil Alvarez					
4:00 - 5:00	Management of Periodontally Compromised Crestorabie Teeth Using Implant Assisted Maxillary Overdenture Dr. Jordi Izzard A. Landayan	Digital Workflow and Material Innovations in Modern Prosthodontics Dr. Wilmar Labriaga	Modern Aesthetic Dentistry: Where Preservation Meets Transformation Dr. Anabella Oquendo	Biomechanical Exams: An Approach to the Dentist's Examination & Repair Dr. Chelton N. Rivera					
DAY 6	8:00 - 12:00	May 15, 2026	FUNCTION ROOM 1	FUNCTION ROOM 3	FUNCTION ROOM 4	FUNCTION ROOM 5	MEETING ROOM 1	MR 7,8,9	
	8:00 - 12:00	Students Congress (8:00 - 9:00) UE ALUMINI (9:00-2:00)	Academicians' Forum "Revolving Academic" Success Beyond Academics: Caring for Mental Health Dr. Josefina Q. Era The Right Think Academy Redefining the Soul of Learning Dr. Eva Aurora D. Callang	Government Dentists' Forum Key Findings and Recommendations for Current Oral Health Issues of Filipinos Dr. Marissa O. Villanar Periodontal Disease in the Philippines: Insights from the National Oral Health Survey Dr. Marie Rosalinda Carmela T. Lachica Problems & Potentials in Complete Dental Service: Their Management & Solutions Dr. Dania Macatangay Medication-Related Complications of the Jaw: Prevention, Prediction and Practice Dr. Gary V. Brito	CEU ALUMNI (9:00 - 12:00)	Health & Wellness			





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REGISTRATION *Details*

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION (SEPTEMBER 1-DECEMBER 15, 2025)

Dentist, Dental Hygienist & Dental Technologist	PHP 6,000*
Life Member	PHP 2,625*
Dental Student	PHP 1,500
Faculty & Government Dentist	PHP 6,000*

PRE-REGISTRATION (DECEMBER 16, 2025-APRIL 30, 2026)

Dentist, Dental Hygienist & Dental Technologist	PHP 7,500*
Life Member	PHP 3,375*
Dental Student	PHP 1,500
Faculty & Government Dentist	PHP 6,000*

ON-SITE REGISTRATION (MAY 1-15, 2026)

Dentist, Dental Hygienist & Dental Technologist	PHP 9,000*
Life Member	PHP 4,125*
Dental Student	PHP 2,500
Faculty & Government Dentist	PHP 6,000*
Foreign Delegate***	USD 250
Accompanying Person***	PHP 1,500

*All Convention Fees INCLUSIVE of PHP 1,500 PDA Membership Fee for A.Y. 2026-2027 as approved during the HOD Session 2023

**Life Member = 65 to 80 years old awarded by PDA

**Life Member Fee INCLUSIVE of 50% Convention Fee plus PDA Welfare & Trust Fund Benefits

***Foreign Delegate & Accompanying Person (On-site payment only)

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