



14th Asia Pacific Travel Health Conference

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Refreshed Perspectives – The Ups and Downs of Travel
Re-evaluating risk and benefit in Travel Medicine

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WELCOME

Dear Colleagues

It gives me enormous pleasure to welcome you to Kathmandu for the 14th Asia Pacific Travel Health Society Conference. We are excited to be holding the conference at the wonderful Yak and Yeti Hotel and Conference Centre.

I know you will all be eager to meet with colleagues and engage in our exciting scientific program. We have an outstanding faculty of speakers, many of them from the Asia Pacific Region reflecting the growing travel medicine expertise within our region.

Gathering here in person is made even more poignant by the 6-year hiatus since our last conference in Bangkok in 2018. The evolving Covid pandemic sadly forced the last-minute cancellation of our 2020 conference in Auckland and ongoing uncertainty in the early years of the pandemic saw us replace the 2022 conference with webinars.

The theme we have chosen for this year's conference "Refreshed Perspectives: The Ups and Downs of travel" has us evaluating not only travel-related risks but also celebrating the many benefits of travel. Many of these being brought into focus as the world bounced back from pandemic enforced travel restrictions. And where better to celebrate this than in beautiful Nepal? I know many of you will take this opportunity for some well-deserved pre or post conference travel.

I wish you all the best for an enjoyable and rewarding conference and look forward to meeting as many of you as possible over the coming days.



Jenny Visser

President, Asia Pacific Travel Health Society

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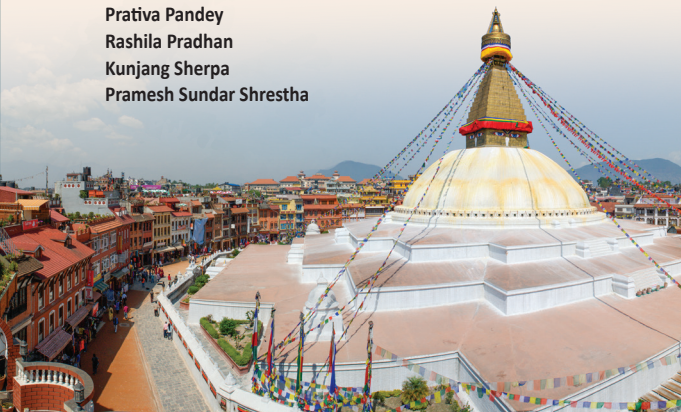
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Plenary Session	Symposium	Workshop
ABC Workshop	Free Communication	Meet the Professor
Pre-Conference Seminar	Pre-Conference Workshop	Sponsored Symposium
Quiz	APTHS Meetings	

TUESDAY, 17 SEPTEMBER, 2024		
08:50-17:00	Pre-Conference Seminar (Optional): ADVENTURE AND WILDERNESS TRAVEL	<i>Crystal</i>

WEDNESDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER, 2024		
10:30-12:00	Pre-Conference Workshops: MAXIMIZED OUTREACH: MENTAL HEALTH PROMOTION AND PREVENTION STRATEGIES FOR TRAVELING FAMILIES	<i>Crystal</i>
14:00-17:00	MILITARY MEDICINE AND TRAVEL	
17:30	Opening Ceremony Opening Plenary Lecture: HOW A TINY CLINIC IN NEPAL MADE AN OUTSIZED CONTRIBUTION TO TRAVEL MEDICINE AROUND THE WORLD	<i>Regal II</i>
19:00	<i>Cocktail Dinner Reception</i>	

THURSDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER, 2024

07:30-08:15	Meet the Professor 1: PEEPING INTO THE TRADITIONAL WATER WISDOM IN NEPAL MANDAL			<i>Durbar</i>
08:30-10:00	Plenary 1: THE CHANGING LANDSCAPE OF VACCINES			<i>Regal II</i>
10:00-10:30	Coffee, Poster Viewing and Visit the Exhibition			
10:30-12:00	<i>Regal II</i> Symposium 1: FEBRILE ILLNESS IN TRAVELERS – ANY NEWS?	<i>Crystal</i> Free Communications 1	<i>Durbar</i> Workshop ABC 1: INTRODUCTION TO TRAVEL MEDICINE: SETTING UP A CLINIC AND THE PRE-TRAVEL CONSULTATION	
12:00-14:00	Lunch			
14:00-15:30	<i>Regal II</i> Symposium 2: GETTING THERE AND BACK SAFELY	<i>Crystal</i> Free Communications 2	<i>Durbar</i> Workshop 1: RABIES – CURRENT RECOMMENDATIONS AND CHALLENGING CASES	
15:30-16:30	Coffee, Poster Viewing and Visit the Exhibition			
16:00-17:30	<i>Regal II</i> Symposium 3: CHANGING EPIDEMIOLOGY OF MALARIA	<i>Crystal</i> Workshop 2: ROLE OF MILITARY IN DISASTER AND OUTBREAK RELIEF OPERATIONS	<i>Durbar</i> Workshop 3: IMMUNO-SUPPRESSED TRAVELER	
17:45-19:45	Council Meeting (by invitation only)			<i>Durbar</i>

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FRIDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER, 2024			
07:30-08:15	Meet the Professor 2: <i>Durbar</i> HERITAGE RECONSTRUCTION POST 2015 EARTHQUAKE		
08:30-10:00	Plenary 2: <i>Regal II</i> SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL/COMMUNITY AND GLOBAL RELATED BENEFITS OF TRAVEL		
10:00-10:30	<i>Coffee, Poster Viewing and Visit the Exhibition</i>		
10:30-12:00	<i>Regal II</i> Symposium 4: MENTAL HEALTH	<i>Crystal</i> Workshop 4: TRAVEL TO ALTITUDE	<i>Durbar</i> Workshop ABC 2: TRAVEL VACCINES AND MALARIA PROPHYLAXIS
12:00-14:00	<i>Collection of lunch boxes and lunch</i>		
12:25-13:35	Takeda Sponsored Lunch Symposium <i>Regal II</i> A NEW PERSPECTIVE IN DENGUE PREVENTION: FROM CLINICAL DEVELOPMENT TO REAL-WORLD PRACTICE		
13:35-14:00	<i>Technical Break</i>		
14:00-15:30	<i>Regal II</i> Symposium 5: SPECIAL POPULATIONS	<i>Crystal</i> Free Communications 3	<i>Durbar</i> Workshop 5: MALARIA PANEL CASE BASED DIFFERENT APPROACHES (US/CDC /EU)
15:30-16:00	<i>Coffee, Poster Viewing and Visit the Exhibition</i>		
16:00-17:30	<i>Regal II</i> Workshop 6: CHATGPT: FRIEND OR FOE OF TRAVEL MEDICINE PROFESSIONALS?	<i>Crystal</i> Workshop 7: DESTINATION INDIA	<i>Durbar</i> Workshop 8: 10 IMPORTANT PAPERS

SATURDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER, 2024			
07:30-08:15	Meet the Professor 3: CLIMATE CRISIS IN THE HIMALAYAS		<i>Durbar</i>
08:30-10:00	Plenary 3: DIAGNOSTIC GAPS: NEW TOOLS, NEW HORIZONS		<i>Regal II</i>
10:00-10:30	<i>Coffee, Poster Viewing and Visit the Exhibition</i>		
10:30-12:00	<i>Regal II</i> Symposium 6: COVID 19 PANEL DISCUSSION	<i>Crystal</i> Symposium 7: GASTROINTESTINAL ILLNESS AND TRAVEL: WHAT'S NEW?	<i>Durbar</i> Workshop ABC 3: NON-COMMUNICABLE TRAVEL RISKS
12:00-13:30	<i>Lunch</i> 13:00 General Meeting <i>Durbar</i> (all APTHS members invited)		
13:30-14:30	Quiz: TRAVEL & TROPICAL MEDICINE		<i>Regal II</i>
14:30-16:00	Plenary 4: LOOKING BACK LOOKING FORWARD		<i>Regal II</i>
16:00-16:30	Closing Ceremony		<i>Regal II</i>

INDIVIDUAL INTERNET CONNECTION HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

GENERAL INFORMATION

VENUE

Yak & Yeti Heritage Hotel
Durbar Marg
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LANGUAGE

All sessions will be conducted in English.

REGISTRATION/HOSPITALITY/INFORMATION DESK

A desk will operate outside the Crystal hall on 17 September.

Thereafter outside the Regency hall, as follows:

17 September: 08:15 to 17:00 hrs

18 September: 10:00 to 19:30 hrs

19 September: 07:15 to 17:45 hrs

20 September: 07:15 to 17:30 hrs

21 September: 07:15 to 16:30 hrs

POSTER PRESENTERS

Posters will be on display for the duration of the conference. Please refer to the app to find the board number that has been assigned to your poster and use the board with the same number to mount your poster.

Presenters are required to stand at their poster during the morning coffee breaks, to answer questions from the participants.

Posters can be mounted from 16:00 hrs on 18 September and should be mounted by 08:30 hrs on 19 September. Posters must be removed immediately after the Closing Ceremony on 21 September. The organizers can not be responsible for posters that are not removed on time.

ORAL PRESENTERS SLIDE CHECK

All presenters must check their slides with the technician at the Speaker Ready Desk at least 30 minutes before the start of the session in which they are presenting. The desk is located in Regency hall.

CME CREDITS



The conference has been endorsed by The Royal New Zealand College of General Practitioners (RNZCGP) and has been approved for up to 27.50 CME credits for Continuing Professional Development (CPD) purposes. Credits are for active Fellows of the college only.

VOUCHERS

Vouchers are included with your registration kit for the Cocktail Dinner Reception and lunches. Please bring your voucher with you to enable entry/collect your lunch box.

DRESS

Informal for all sessions and events.



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