

Professional and concise report for the Paediatric Surgery IAPSCON 2024, Golden Jubilee Celebration, 7th to 10th November AIIMS Rishikesh.



The department of Paediatric Surgery successfully hosted the IAPSCON 2024 Annual Conference on the occasion of the 50th Golden Jubilee Celebrations of the Indian Association of Paediatric Surgeons (IAPS) , at AIIMS Rishikesh from 7th November to 10th November, 2024. The event brought together more than 450 Paediatric surgeons, healthcare professionals, researchers, and students from across the country and beyond for an engaging exchange of knowledge and ideas.

Highlights of the Conference: -

1) Scientific Sessions:

The conference featured diverse and insightful scientific sessions covering key topics, including [minimally invasive surgery, neonatal care, advances in oncology apart from introducing unique topics the first ever in a national conference. These covered Artificial Intelligence in paediatric surgery, Indemnity Insurance, Financial Literacy and Insurance for Congenital Anomalies. Renowned national and international speakers delivered keynote addresses, shared clinical experiences, and presented research findings.

The total number of presentations by the post graduate residents has exceeded a record no of 350. The scientific programs have been conducted in three halls A (Main auditorium), B & C in the lecture theatres of the Nursing College.

2) Workshops and Hands-On Training:

Specialized workshops on Endoscopic Third Ventriculostomy and Exoscope were done to provide in depth knowledge regarding their use in Congenital Hydrocephalus and Hypospadias Surgery. Many Faculty and Residents took an active part in the workshops. This provided participants with valuable hands-on learning opportunities under expert guidance.



3) Research Presentations:

Over 350 research papers and posters were presented, showcasing ground-breaking work in paediatric surgery. The Best Paper and Best Poster awards were presented for outstanding contributions.



4) Panel Discussions and Debates:

Thought-provoking discussions on emerging challenges, ethical considerations, and future directions in paediatric surgery fostered collaboration and innovation.



5) Felicitation of Senior Faculty Members:

Being a Golden Jubilee Celebration many senior faculty members were honoured with medals, shawls and certificates. About 29 Fellowship medals were also given away to the deserving paediatric surgeons.



6) Inauguration

The inauguration ceremony marked the official commencement of the event, celebrating its launch with distinguished guests. The presence of esteemed personalities, including Prof. Meenu Singh

(Director, AIIMS Rishikesh), Prof. Jaya Chaturvedi (Dean Academics), and Prof. M. Srinivas (Director, AIIMS New Delhi), Prof. Ramesh Babu (President, IAPS), Prof. Vikesh Agarwal (Secretary, IAPS) during the inauguration added to the significance and grandeur of the ceremony.



7) Cultural and Networking Events:

The conference also featured cultural programs celebrating local heritage and informal networking events, strengthening camaraderie among participants.

Acknowledgments: -

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