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*Two Days of
Knowledge,
Collaboration &
Inspiration*



EXCELLENCE
in Pediatrics



INNOVATION
in Practice



COLLABORATION
Without Borders



EVIDENCE
Every Step



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Beirut Pediatric Excellence Forum
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8:30 – 9:00	Day 1, Friday October 23 Registration & Welcome Coffee	
9:00 – 9:25	The Rising Threat of Antimicrobial Resistance in Children	Prof. Maroun Matar
9:25 – 9:30	Q/A	
9:30 – 9:55	Antibiotics in Pediatrics: When to Prescribe and When to Refrain	Dr. Rima Khinkarli
9:55 – 10:00	Q/A	
10:00 – 10:25	RSV in Early Life: Prevention, Protection and Practice	Dr. Dunia Nakhoul
10:25 – 10:30	Q/A	
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00 – 11:25	Vaccines and Immunity in 2026: What's New for Pediatricians?	Prof. Samer Sakr
11:25 – 11:30	Q/A	
11:30 – 11:55	The Pediatric Cough: A Practical Approach to Diagnosis and Management	Dr. Edward Sayyad
11:55 – 12:00	Q/A	
12:00 – 12:25	Building Strong Immunity in Children	Dr. Faten Ghanem
12:25 – 12:30	Q/A	
12:30 – 12:55	Meningococcal Disease in Pediatrics: Early Recognition, Rapid Management	Dr. Hadi Haddad
12:55 – 13:00	Q/A	
13:00 – 13:25	New therapeutic solution for the Management of house dust mites' allergens	Dr. Carla Medawar
13:25 – 13:30	Q/A	
13:30 – 14:30	Lunch Break	
14:30 – 15:15	Gut Health Microbiome	Dr. Edward Sayyad
15:15 – 15:20	Q/A	
15:20 – 15:30	Closing Conference Day 1 Remarks	

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Day 2, Saturday October 24		
Ballroom		
8:00 – 9:00	Early Bird Workshop Nutrition of the Preterm Infant: From the NICU to Optimal Growth Prof. Maroun Matar	
9:00 – 9:25	H. pylori in Children: Who Needs Testing and Who Needs Treatment?	Dr. Aline Haddad
9:25 – 9:30	Q/A	
9:30 – 9:55	Zinc and Copper: When Should We Test?	Dr. Edmond Abboud
9:55 – 10:00	Q/A	
10:00 – 10:25	Iron Deficiency in Children: Beyond Hemoglobin	Dr. Maria Karam
10:25 – 10:30	Q/A	
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00 – 11:40	Orthopedic Problems in Children: From Birth to Adolescence	Dr. Tony Hayeck
11:40 – 11:45	Q/A	
11:45 – 12:15	Pediatric Radiology Clinical Cases	Dr. Julie Ferzli
12:15 – 12:20	Q/A	
12:20 – 13:00	Protecting Vision in Childhood: Early Recognition of Pediatric Eye Disorders	Dr. Ibrahim Dunia
13:00 – 13:10	Q/A	
13:10 – 13:40	When to Refer a Child to a Pediatric Surgeon	Dr. Goerges Bayrouthi
13:40 – 13:50	Q/A	
13:50 – 15:00	Lunch Break	
15:00 – 15:30	Closing Conference Day 2 Remarks	