

MESSAGE FROM THE PCCP PRESIDENT

It is my pleasure to welcome you to this latest issue of the Philippine Journal of Chest Diseases (PJCD).

Every new issue of the Journal is a reminder of the dedication and passion of our researchers, clinicians, educators, and trainees who continue to ask important questions and seek better ways to care for our patients. Through their work, we strengthen not only our knowledge but also the practice of pulmonary medicine in the Philippines.

In this issue, readers will find studies that address topics highly relevant to our daily practice—from understanding how quality of life and social factors influence tuberculosis treatment outcomes, to improving inhaler technique education among healthcare workers, validating tools that help predict drug-resistant pathogens in pneumonia, and evaluating pulmonary function and exercise capacity among patients with suspected tuberculosis. These articles highlight the breadth of respiratory research being conducted across the country and the commitment of our colleagues to evidence-based patient care.

The PCCP is proud to support the Philippine Journal of Chest Diseases as an important platform for sharing local research and generating knowledge that can guide clinical practice. As a College, we remain committed to upholding high standards in scientific publication and fostering a culture of research, collaboration, and lifelong learning among our members.

I would like to thank our authors, reviewers, editors, and the entire PJCD team for their hard work and dedication. Your efforts ensure that the Journal continues to serve as a valuable resource for our members and for the broader medical community.

I hope you find this issue both informative and inspiring, and that it encourages even more meaningful research in the years ahead.

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