



**III Pan-American Congress of Child and Adolescent Mental Health
Meeting of the Classification Section of the World Psychiatry Association**

**March 24-28, 2006
International Conference Center: Havana, Cuba**

***" Children are born to be happy"
José Martí***

Dear friends,

The 3rd Pan-American Congress of Child and Adolescent Mental Health which follows two highly successful previous editions in 2006 and 2004; and the International Meeting of the Classification Section of the World Psychiatry Association will be held simultaneously March 24-28, 2008 in Cuba at the Havana International Conference Center.

Participants will include many distinguished, and internationally renowned colleagues who will present on topics pertinent to their specialties, encouraging important scientific exchange and the interchange of experiences in order to further our mutual commitment to the promotion of mental health, to prevention, and to the treatment and rehabilitation of children and adolescents.

Pre-congress courses will also be offered, and site-visits to a variety of prestigious institutions and community-based facilities of the Cuban National Health System will be arranged.

We are convinced that this meeting will strengthen previously established connections. We are counting on your participation for the well-being and health of everyone, convinced that a better world is possible.

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President of the Organizing Committee**

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National Group for Pediatrics
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Cuban School of Neuro-psychopharmacology

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

Monday 24 and Tuesday 25 (Morning and afternoon)

Registration/Accreditation

Pre-congress courses taught by Cuban and foreign professors at various institutions of the City of Havana

Wednesday 26 (Morning and afternoon)

Registration/Accreditation

Opening Plenary. Plenary addresses and lectures. Work sessions: round table discussions, workshops, posters, and videos.

18:00 Welcome Cocktail.

Thursday 27 (Morning and afternoon)

Plenary addresses and lectures. Work sessions: round tables discussions, workshops, open topics, posters, and videos.

20:00 Cultural Gala "La Colmenita" – *Childrens' Theater Company of Cuba and Children's Health Promotion Project*

Friday 28 (Morning and afternoon)

Plenary addresses and lectures. Work sessions: round table discussions, workshops, open topics, posters, and videos.

Closing Plenary.

18:00 Farewell Party, "Bucan" Restaurant, International Conference Center

TOPICS

Community-based Mental Health

School Health

Classification

Psychotherapy

Narrative therapy

Culture, Sports and Mental Health

Violence

Suicidal Behavior

Addictions

Catastrophe/Disaster-related Disorders

Biological Psychiatry

Non-communicable Chronic Diseases

Traditional and Natural Medicine (Alternative and Complementary Medicine)

Family

Children and Adolescents with Special Needs

Games/Play Therapy

Sexuality

Migration

Child and Adolescent Psychopathology

Forensic Psychiatry
Psychology
Psychiatric Rehabilitation
Human Resource Training
Ethics and Mental Health
Research

POSTERS AND VIDEOS

Videos:

No longer than 15 minutes; in VHS format, only on NTSC 3.58

Posters:

Should be submitted in the following format: introduction, methods, results, discussion and conclusions. Size: 82 cm wide (horizontal) and 120 cm long (vertical). Work should be original, and should not have been presented previously.

The poster presentation will be competitive; the scientific committee will award one Grand Prize and two Honorary Mentions. The grand Prize will include payment exoneration for the next congress, as well as Certificates of Accreditation and other recognition. Those winning Honorary Mention will equally receive Certificates of Accreditation as well as other recognition.

REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS

Abstracts must include: title, full name of primary author(s), name of presenter, institution, institutional address, country, contact telephone/fax, e-mail, and preferred form of presentation. In case of lectures, workshops or round table discussions, please specify all necessary audiovisual aids.

Each abstract should be no longer than 250 words and should include introduction, objectives, methods, results, conclusions.

Abstracts must be sent in digital format, in Word (6.0 or more modern versions), Arial 12, single spaced, attached to an e-mail to be sent to: felices@infomed.sld.cu.

Abstracts can also be submitted in person -on 3.5 floppy disks, CD/DVD or a flash memory - to: Dr. Tania A. Peón or Dr. Odalys Rouco at Hospital Infantil Universitario "Pedro Borrás", Calle 27 y F, Vedado, Ciudad Habana.

DEADLINE FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS

November 30, 2007

PUBLICATION OF CONGRESS/CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

All presentations (plenary addresses, round table discussions, workshops and posters) will be published on a CD which will be given free of charge to all registered participants. In order to include the presentations they must be sent via e-mail (attachment) in digital format, Word (6.0 or more modern versions), Arial 12, 1,5 spaced, with graphics and tables included in the document as attachment to the e-mail. Send to: felices@infomed.sld.cu **It can also be submitted in person -on 3.5 floppy disks or a flash memory- to: Dr. Tania A. Peón or Dr. Odalys Rouco at Hospital Infantil Universitario "Pedro Borrás", Calle 27 y F, Vedado, Ciudad Habana.**

THE DEADLINE FOR THE SUBMISSION OF PAPERS, FULL TEXT PRESENTATIONS, ETC. FOR THE PROCEEDINGS CD IS

January 31, 2008

Official Languages: Spanish and English

Registration fees

Delegate	\$250.00 CUC (Convertible Cuban Pesos)
Accompanying Person	\$ 80.00 CUC (Convertible Cuban Pesos)

The registration fees include:

For Delegates: Credentials, the right to participate in the scientific activities, cultural events, farewell dinner and party, participant and/or presenter documentation and certificates.

For accompanying persons: Credentials, participation in the opening and closing ceremonies, cultural activities, farewell party and souvenirs.

The registration fee must be paid directly to the International Conference Center in Havana at the time of registration.

Cost for *pre-congress courses* (\$20.00 CUC) includes a certificate of participation and can be paid at the institutions where the courses will be held. Registration and payment in advance is possible (contact the organizing committee for more information).

Below we offer registration packages for those colleagues interested in attending more than one pre-congress course:

1 course	- 20.00 CUC
2 courses	- 35.00 CUC
3 courses	- 50.00 CUC
4 courses	- 60.00 CUC

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The registration fee, as well as all the payments in Cuba, will be in Cuban Convertible Pesos (CUC), the official currency within the country.

Money can be exchanged upon your arrival in Cuba (at the airport, hotels, the Conference Center, banks, and at CADECA – Currency Exchange Offices located throughout the city) at the current exchange rate of the day. (At the present time the exchange rate for the Cuban Convertible Peso (CUC) is equivalent to the going rate of any foreign currency against the US Dollar (\$US) PLUS an additional 8% -- 1.08). The US Dollar itself carries an additional surcharge of 10% (\$US) and thus is exchanging at approximately 18-20% or 1.18–1.20 (vs. 8% - 1.08 - for other foreign currencies). Thus, one USD is equivalent to .80 CUC – or 80 cents CUC to the dollar). This is for currency exchange dealings in cash in Cuba. Contact your travel service provider for further information.

Registration fees can also be paid using the following credit cards: VISA, Master Card, CABAL, VISA Electron - EXCEPT FOR THOSE THAT HAVE BEEN ISSUED BY US BANKS. No credit cards issued in the U.S. and/or by U.S. banks can be used in Cuba due to U.S. laws.

PLEASE MAINTAIN COMMUNICATIONS VIA OUR WEBSITES, E-MAIL AND/OR YOUR TRAVEL SERVICE PROVIDER REGARDING FUTURE POSSIBLE CHANGES IN CUBAN MONETARY POLICY, AND/OR FOR ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE IN THIS REGARD.

CONGRESS VENUE

The Havana International Conference Center is an institution specialized in hosting prestigious events and congresses in Cuba. It includes qualified professionals and an infrastructure composed of various conference rooms. Among them, there is one hall with capacity for 1554 participants and locations with between 400 and 27 seats. As well as this, there is the Karl Marx Theater with a capacity for 4500 people, which is near to our Conference Center. All of them have at their disposal advanced communication systems and cutting edge technologies.

For trade fairs and exhibitions we have PABEXPO with 7,500 net square meters of indoor exhibition space distributed between five air-conditioned, interconnected halls, as well as the facility for the simultaneous trade fairs as well as other activities such as cultural events, sport events, congresses and conventions.

Yet another aspect is the Palco Hotel; which has 178 comfortable rooms, among them superior and junior suites, and an executive suite. Furthermore, the hotel is proud of its four star services. It is incredibly near by the Havana International Conference Center, they are linked by an indoor Commercial Gallery.

Defined by its residences in a variety of styles, characterized by its comfort and good taste of its decorations, the Palco Real Estate Agency offers architectural luxury

and elegance.

The Club Habana is designed to hold social and business events in Cuba. It offers the diversity of prestigious and quality services, incorporating facilities apart from hotels within the city, for both diplomats, resident businesspeople and VIP clients.

Our most valued clients appreciate the services of a range of restaurants among which are. El Bucán, El Rancho, La Finca and El Palenque. The varied foods and the excellent service satisfy the most demanding tastes.

Palcozar offers an exclusive rental service of taxis and cars at preferential prices; with Agencia Palco guaranteeing a customized, fast and safe service from the Conference Center, and Palcograf offering graphic solutions with unbeatable quality and efficiency.

HOTELS (General Program)

Hotel	Single	Double
Hotel Palco**** (venue of the conference)	58	44
National*****	110	81
Monte Habana***	50	37

Services included in the General Program:

Lodging per night with breakfast
Transfers IN/OUT
Transport to the official activities of the Congress.
Tour guide services
Personalized attention
Official receptor

A Supermarket complements our offer with exquisite, gourmet products.

For further information contact us at: www.complejopalco.com

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