

BAPIO Annual Conference 2026

20 – 22 November 2026
 Edgbaston Stadium, Birmingham

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Friday 20 November 2026
Warwickshire Suite

08:30 - 09:15	Registration and Networking
09:15 – 09:25	Welcome- Dr. Hema Kannapan, Conference CME Lead, Dr. Rupeysh Jha Conference OC Secretary Lamp Lighting – Dr. Ramesh Mehta, Chair of BAPIO Foundation Board of Trustees; Dr. Joydeep Grover, President, BAPIO Foundation; Dr. Uma Gordon Chair, BAPIO Foundation Grand Advisory Council
09:25 – 11:00	<u>Session: Navigating PLAB and the GMC</u> Chair: Dr. Satheesh Mathew, Vice President, BAPIO Foundation & Dr. Biju Simon, Secretary, BAPIO Foundation
09:25 – 09:35	Challenges Post PLAB for IMGs Dr. Suneeta Teckchandani, Consultant Acute Physician, Chesterfield
09:35 – 09:55	Keynote address: TOPIC TBC Mr. Charlie Massey, Chief Executive and Registrar, GMC
09:55 – 10:10	Keynote address: Lessons from 20 years of writing medicolegal reports Prof Mark Strachan, President, Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh
10:10 – 10:30	Panel discussion Mr. Charlie Massey Prof Mark Strachan Dr. Suneeta Teckchandani Mr. Amardeep Nibber, Acting Head of Legal, Medical Defence Shield
10:30 – 10:55	General Medical Council Workshop: ‘When jokes aren’t funny – microaggressions have macro impacts’ Ms. Tista Chakravorty-Gannon, Head of Outreach Strategic Delivery and National Engagement, GMC
10:55 – 11:15	Tea/Coffee break (Member’s Lounge)
11:15 – 12:15	<u>Session: Artificial Intelligence in Healthcare</u> Chair: Mr Pankaj Chandak, RCSEng Hunterian Professor and Paediatric Transplant and Research Fellow, London
11:15 – 11:35	Keynote address: AI, Surgery and the IDEAL framework Prof Peter McCulloch, Professor of Surgical Science and Practice, Oxford
11:35 – 12:15	Panel discussion AI for clinical conundrums – insights from Emergency Medicine - Dr Vivek Chhabra, Emergency Medicine Consultant, Cornwall Move-37: Ready or not – NHS’s next move - Mr. Rajesh Sivaprakasam, Consultant in Transplant, Access, and General Surgery, London Regulation of AI in healthcare without stifling innovation – Dr. Findlay MacAskill, National Advisor, ResponsibleAI UK AI-powered longevity – Dr. Nishant Joshi, Founder of CREAM AI

12:15 – 13:00	Session: Education & Training <i>Chair: Dr. Uma Gordon, Consultant Gynaecologist, Bristol & Dr. Siya Sharma, Consultant Gynaecologist, Kings Lynn</i>
12:15 – 12:30	Keynote address: Learnings from a global journey in medicine <i>Dame Parveen Kumar, Professor emerita of medicine and education, Barts and The London School of Medicine and Dentistry</i>
12:30 – 12:45	Keynote address: TOPIC TBC <i>Prof Sir Stephen Powis, Chair, NHS Professionals and Former National Medical Director, NHS England</i>
12:45 – 13:00	Keynote address: Medical Education and Training Review <i>Dame Jane Dacre, Independent Chair (Phase 2), Medical Education and Training Review</i>
13:00 – 13:50	Lunch break (Member's Lounge)
13:50 – 14:35	Session: Global Health, Climate Change and Menopause <i>Chairs: Dr Jyothi Srinivas, Consultant Paediatrician, Milton Keynes & Ms Ruchira Singh, Consultant O&G, Birmingham</i>
13:50 – 13:55	Welcome <i>Dr Jyothi Srinivas, Consultant Paediatrician, Milton Keynes</i>
13:55 – 14:05	Menopause <i>Dr Pushpa Maharajan, Luton</i>
14:05 – 14:15	Climate change and women's health <i>Prof Mala Rao, Senior Clinical Fellow, Department of Primary Care and Public Health, Imperial College London</i>
14:15 – 14:25	Women leadership within BAPIO <i>Dr Uma Gordon, Chair, BAPIO Grand Advisory Council and Prof Geeta Menon, BAPIO Foundation Trustee</i>
14:25 – 14:35	Panel discussion
14:35 – 15:25	Session: The importance of medical value travel for global health <i>Chair: Dr. Subarna Chakravorty, Consultant Paediatric Haematologist, London & Dr. Kinnari Mehta, Consultant Anaesthetist, Cardiff</i>
14:35 – 14:50	Topic TBC <i>Mr. Anas Wajid, Group Director & Chief Sales and Marketing Officer, Max Healthcare</i>
14:50 – 15:00	Topic TBC <i>Dr. Uma Gordon, Consultant Gynaecologist, Bristol</i>
15:00 – 15:10	Indo-UK Medical Value Travel – a NHS Perspective <i>Mr. Richard Mitchell, CEO, University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust</i>
15:10 – 15:25	Panel discussion <i>Mr. Ankit Mehrotra, Co-Founder, The Medical Travel Company</i>
15:25 – 15:40	Tea/Coffee break (Member's Lounge)
15:40 – 16:35	Session: Building blocks of good health services <i>Chairs: Dr. Renu Jainer, Consultant Paediatrician, Solihull & Dr. Yashwant Patil, Consultant Paediatrician, India & Immediate past International President, COMHAD</i>
15:40 – 15:55	Topic TBC <i>Dr Victoria Tzortiou Brown, Chair, Royal College of General Practitioners Council</i>
15:55 – 16:05	ADHD Assessment – Key components of a service model

	<i>Dr Renu Jainer, Consultant Paediatrician</i>
16:05 – 16:15	Micro-nutrient deficiencies <i>Dr Hema Kannapan, Consultant Paediatrician</i>
16:15 – 16:25	Neuro-diversity – coaching and support <i>Dr Alistair Sanders</i>
16:25 – 16:35	Genetic screening for Haemaglobinopathies <i>Dr. Usha Dave, National President, COMHAD India</i>
16:35 – 17:25	<u>Session: Global approaches to common dermatological conditions</u> <i>Chair: Dr. Jaideep Bhat, Consultant Dermatologist</i>
16:35 – 16:50	A global perspective on diagnosing & managing skin lesions and skin cancer <i>Dr Ajoy Bardhan, Consultant Dermatologist and Clinical lead, University Hospitals Birmingham</i>
16:50 – 17:05	Managing the global impact of the red face & other facial dermatoses <i>Dr Jaideep Bhat, Consultant Dermatologist, University Hospitals Birmingham</i>
17:05 – 17:25	Panel Discussion
17:25 – 17:30	Vote of Thanks

PARALLEL SESSIONS
Chairs Lounge

09:30 – 11:00	<u>Session: British Indian Nurses Association (BINA) – How to convert a seat at the table to a voice at the table</u> <i>Chair: Mr. Marimoultou Coumarassamy, Chair, BINA</i>
11:00 – 11:20	Tea/Coffee break
11:00 – 12:00	<u>Session: BAPIO Research & Innovation Competition Part 1</u>
11:15 – 12:15	Oral Presentations I
12:15 – 13:15	Lightning Presentations I
13:15 – 14:00	Lunch break (Member's Lounge)
14:00 – 14:30	<u>Session: BAPIO Young Doctors Forum Session</u>
14:00 – 14:15	A paradigm shift to anti-discrimination – creating cultural safety. <i>Ms. Tista Chakravorty-Gannon, Head of Outreach Strategic Delivery and National Engagement, GMC</i>
14:15 – 14:30	Launch of BAPIO YDF NHS Entry Handbook (TBC)
14:30 – 17:45	<u>Session: BAPIO Research & Innovation Competition Part 2</u>
14:30 – 15:30	Oral Presentations II
15:35 – 16:35	Lightning Presentations II
16:45 – 17:45	Oral Presentations III

Saturday 21 November 2026
Banqueting Suite

08:15 – 09:00	Registration and Refreshments
09:00 – 09:10	Welcome/Introduction – Prof Divya Prakash, Conference OC Chair Lamp Lighting – Dr. Ramesh Mehta, Chair of BAPIO Foundation Board of Trustees; Dr. Joydeep Grover, President, BAPIO Foundation; Dr. Uma Gordon Chair, BAPIO Foundation Grand Advisory Council
09:10 – 09:40	<u>Session: The importance of general practice in promoting better global health</u> <i>Chair: Dr Ankur Khandelwal, GP, Bedford & Dr. Hasmukh Shah, GP, Wales</i>
09:10 – 09:20	Primary-secondary care interface: Challenges and solutions <i>Dr Tanvir Alam, GP</i>
09:20 – 09:30	General Practice at crossroads <i>Dr Kalindi Tumurgoti, Chair, BAPIO GP Forum</i>
09:30 – 09:40	Q&A session
09:40 – 10:00	Keynote address <i>Prof Frankie Swords, National Medical Director</i>
10:00 – 11:00	<u>Session: The future of IMGs in the UK post the Medical Training (Prioritisation) Act</u> <i>Chair: Dr. Ramesh Mehta, Chair, BAPIO Foundation Board of Trustees & Prof Keshav Singhal, Vice Chair, BAPIO Foundation Board of Trustees</i>
10:00 – 10:30	Debate: The House believes IMGs working in the NHS should consider leaving the UK Moderator: Prof Rajat Gupta, Consultant Paediatric Neurologist, Birmingham Women's and Children's NHS Foundation Trust For: Prof. Nandini Chakravorty, Dean, Royal College of Psychiatrists Against: Dr. Amit Kochhar, BMA Representative Body Chair
10:30 – 11:00	Panel discussion <i>Prof Sheona MacLeod, Former National Director of Education & Training, NHS England</i> <i>Prof Indranil Chakravorty, Co-Chair, BAPIO Institute for Health Research</i> <i>Dr. Rahul Chodhari, Associate Director, Medical Innovation & Improvement, NHS New Hospital Programme</i>
11:00 – 11:20	Tea/Coffee break (Member's Lounge)
11:20 – 12:15	<u>Session: The evolving role of emergency medicine in global healthcare</u> <i>Chair: Dr. Joydeep Grover, Emergency Medicine Consultant, Bristol</i>
11:20 – 11:35	The Future of Acute Care: Learning Across Healthcare Systems and Harnessing AI <i>Prof Prabath Nanayakkara, Acute Internal Medicine, Amsterdam UMC</i>
11:35 – 11:50	The World Academic Council of Emergency Medicine in an ECO Era <i>Prof Sagar Galwankar, CEO, INDUSEM (Indo-US Emergency and Trauma Collaborative)</i>
11:50 – 12:15	Panel discussion <i>Prof Prabath Nanayakkara</i>

	<i>Prof Sagar Galwankar</i> <i>Prof Shweta Gidwani, Emergency Medicine Consultant, London</i> <i>Dr. Santosh Bongale, Emergency Medicine Consultant, Glasgow</i>
12:15 – 12:35	BAPIO Research & Innovation Competition Prize Ceremony
12:35 – 13:30	Lunch break (Member's Lounge)
13:30 – 14:00	<u>Session: Metabolism and Diabetes</u> <i>Chairs: Dr. Anand Rischie, GP, Walsall & Dr Rupeysh Jha, GP, Birmingham</i>
13:30 – 13:45	Health inequalities: a Cardiovascular perspective <i>Prof Kiran Patel, Chief Medical Officer, University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust</i>
13:45 – 14:00	Modern lipid lowering in 2027 <i>Prof Derek Connolly, Consultant Cardiologist, Birmingham</i>
14:00 – 15:10	<u>Session – Healthcare Inequalities</u> <i>Chair – Dr Hema Kannapan, Consultant Paediatrician, Coventry & Prof Jagtar Singh, National Advisor, APNA NHS</i>
14:00 – 14:15	<u>Sushruta Lecture: Mental health inequalities</u> <i>Prof JS Bamrah, Consultant Psychiatrist, Manchester</i>
14:15 – 14:25	Beyond longevity: Building better healthcare for an aging world <i>Mr. Saurabh Bhagat, CEO & Founder, SHEOWS</i>
14:25 – 14:35	TOPIC TBC <i>Prof Mahendra Patel, Vice President, Royal College of Pharmacy</i>
14:35 – 14:45	Equity in healthcare and its global impact <i>Dr. Zeshan Qureshi, Author</i>
14:45 – 15:10	Panel discussion <i>Prof JS Bamrah</i> <i>Mr. Saurabh Bhagat</i> <i>Prof Mahendra Patel</i> <i>Dr. Zeshan Qureshi</i> <i>Dr Sudhir Parekh, President, GAPIO</i> <i>Dr Uday Bodhankar, Executive Director, Commonwealth Association for Health And Disability (COMHAD)</i>
15:10 – 15:20	<u>Session – The importance of global financial planning for UK clinicians</u> <i>HSBC India</i>
15:20 – 15:40	Tea / Coffee Break (Member's Lounge)
15:40 – 17:00	<u>Session: Global lessons in leadership</u> <i>Chairs: Prof Divya Prakash, Consultant Orthopaedics, Birmingham & Prof Janesh Gupta, Consultant Gynaecology, Birmingham</i>
15:40 – 16:00	Keynote address: From student to President <i>Prof Mumtaz Patel, President, Royal College of Physicians</i>
16:00 – 16:20	Keynote address: What if kindness becomes the key driver in healthcare? <i>Prof Anupam Sibal, Group Medical Director, Apollo Hospitals</i>
16:20 - 16:40	Keynote address: From Garage to Global: reflections on the journey from early stage ideas to scalable, system-level impact <i>Dr. Nik Kotecha, Founder and Chair of Trustees of The Randal Charitable Foundation</i>
16:40 – 17:00	Panel discussion

17:00 – 17:05	Vote of Thanks
18:30 – 19:15	Drinks and Networking Reception (Separate registration required)
19:15 – 23:00	BAPIO Awards & Gala Dinner (Separate registration required)

PARALLEL SESSIONS

1882 Suite

09:30 – 12:30	<u>BAPIO – Medical Defence Shield Dental Conference (Separate registration required)</u> <i>Chair: Prof Sam Shah, Honorary Chair & Professor of Digital Health, College of Medicine & Dentistry</i>
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch Break (Member's Lounge)
13:30 – 15:30	<u>BAPIO – Medical Defence Shield Dental Conference (Separate registration required)</u>
15:30 – 15:45	Tea / Coffee Break (Member's Lounge)
15:45 – 17:15	<u>Session: Global perspectives on improving wellbeing</u> <i>Chairs: Dr. Saraswati Hosdurga, Consultant Paediatrician, Bristol & Co-Chair, BAPIO Institute for Health and Wellbeing & Dr. Sunil Kumar, Lead for Lifestyle Medicine at WHOCC in Imperial College London & Co-Chair, BAPIO Institute for Health and Wellbeing</i>

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Sunday 22 November 2026
Warwickshire Suite

08:45 - 09:30	Registration and Refreshments
09:30 - 10:30	<u>Session: Standing up for ethnic minority AHPs</u> <i>Chair: Mr. Vignesh Murali, Divisional Operations Director, Chesterfield Royal Hospital NHS Foundation Trust and Chair, British Indian AHP Association</i>
10:30 - 10:45	<u>Session: Leading with Compassion</u> <i>Chair: Dr. Dhanlaxmi Shetty, Assistant Professor, Tata Memorial Center</i>
10:30 - 10:45	<u>Keynote address: Leading with Compassion</u> <i>Prof Geeta Menon, National Dean for Inclusive Integrated Careers and Lead Dean for SAS and Locally Employed Doctors</i>
10:45 - 11:05	Tea / Coffee Break (Member's Lounge)
11:05 - 12:45	<u>Session: The changing role of SAS/LED doctors in the NHS</u> <i>Chair: Dr. Kantappa Gajanan, Chair, BAPIO SAS/LED Forum</i>
11:05 - 11:20	<u>Bridging the gap: Navigating training bottlenecks and securing long term careers for IMGs</u> <i>Dr Santosh Bongale, Consultant in Emergency Medicine, Glasgow</i>
12:45 - 13:00	Vote of Thanks
12:45 - 14:00	Lunch (Member's Lounge)

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