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4TH INTERNATIONAL UAE RARE DISEASE SOCIETY CONGRESS

United for Rare: Empowering Families, Advancing Care

PRE-CONGRESS WORKSHOPS

18 SEPT 2026

CONGRESS

19-20 SEPT 2026



Le Meridien Dubai Hotel, UAE

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WELCOME MESSAGE

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the Scientific and Organizing Committees, as well as the UAE Rare Disease Society, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to attend the **4th UAE Rare Disease Society Congress 2026**, taking place **18-20 September 2026** at Le Meridien, Dubai. The event will open with pre-congress workshops on 18 September, followed by the main congress sessions on 19 and 20 September 2026.

This year's congress is held under the theme: **United for Rare: Empowering Families, Advancing Care**, reflecting our collective commitment to strengthening support systems, advancing scientific knowledge, and improving patient outcomes.

As President of this year's congress, I am deeply honored to host this gathering of distinguished experts, researchers, advocates, and individuals committed to improving the lives of those affected by rare diseases. This congress provides a vital platform for sharing groundbreaking research, fostering collaboration, and advancing progress in the diagnosis, treatment, and support of patients with rare diseases. Our collective efforts are essential in addressing the unique challenges faced by this community, and I am confident that the knowledge, partnerships, and insights gained here will leave a lasting impact.

Although rare diseases are individually uncommon, together they affect millions worldwide, presenting both complex challenges and remarkable opportunities. Research into these conditions often reveals fundamental biological mechanisms, offering insights into more prevalent diseases and driving innovation in diagnostics, therapeutics, and personalized medicine. This focus not only benefits individuals living with rare diseases but also enriches the broader medical field, pushing the boundaries of science and patient care.

I warmly encourage each of you to participate actively, engage in meaningful discussions, and share your expertise. By working together, we can amplify the voices of those living with rare conditions and move closer to a brighter, more equitable future for all.

Dr. Nuha Alzaabi

Congress President
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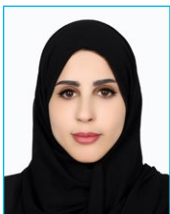
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CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES

- To enhance awareness and understanding of rare diseases among healthcare professionals and the general public.
- To provide a platform for sharing the latest research, diagnostic, and therapeutic advancements in rare diseases.
- To facilitate networking and collaboration among stakeholders in the rare disease community.
- To promote patient advocacy and support for individuals and families affected by rare diseases.
- To discuss challenges and opportunities in rare disease diagnosis, treatment, and access to care in the UAE and the region.
- To educate healthcare providers on the importance of early diagnosis and appropriate management of rare diseases.
- To improve the quality of life for patients and families affected by rare diseases.

WHY ATTEND THE CONGRESS (KEY POINTS)

- Gain insights into the latest advancements in rare disease research and treatment.
- Network with leading experts, researchers, and clinicians in the field.
- Learn about best practices in diagnosis, management, and care of rare disease patients.
- Connect with patient advocacy groups and families affected by rare diseases.
- Earn continuing medical education (CME) credits.
- Contribute to the growing awareness and understanding of rare diseases in the UAE & the region.
- Discover new opportunities for collaboration and research.
- Stay updated on the latest policies and initiatives related to rare diseases.
- Be part of a community dedicated to improving the lives of those affected by rare diseases.

CME ACCREDITATION

The 4th UAE Rare Disease Society Congress 2026 has been accredited by the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME®) and is designated for a maximum of **15 European CME credits (ECMEC®s)**.

DAY 1, Friday 18/09/2026 is Accredited for 3.0 CME Hours

DAY 2, Saturday 19/09/2026 is Accredited for 5.5 CME Hours

DAY 3, Sunday 20/09/2026 is Accredited for 6.5 CME Hours





TARGET AUDIENCE

- Geneticists
- General Pediatricians
- Pediatric sub-specialty
- Cardiologists
- Pulmonologists
- Endocrinologists
- Neonatologists
- Oncologists
- Hematologists
- Ophthalmologists
- ENT
- Dermatologists
- Neurologists
- Nephrologists
- Rheumatologists
- Anesthesiologists
- ENT specialist
- Family physicians
- Internalist
- Metabolic Consultants
- Psychiatrists
- Genetic Counselors
- Nurses
- Dieticians
- Metabolic Dieticians
- Physiotherapists
- Learning difficulties specialists
- Speech Therapists
- Academic scientists
- Researchers
- Medical / Science students
- Laboratory technologist - Genetics
- Molecular geneticist
- Cytogenetic specialist
- Trainers
- Rare Heroes / Rare Families / Rare Caregivers.
- Community service providers
- POD service providers
- Non-Profit Organizations.
- Patients Advocacy Bodies.
- POD/Special Needs Business-Application Developers.

CONGRESS HIGHLIGHTS

- Genetics and Genomics of Rare Diseases
- Newborn Screening for Rare Disorders
- Diagnostic Approaches and Challenges
- Innovative Therapies and Clinical Trials
- Patient Advocacy and Support
- Ethical Considerations in Rare Disease Management
- Rare Disease Registries and Data Collection
- Specific Rare Disease Focus (e.g., metabolic disorders, neurological disorders, etc.)
- The role of Artificial Intelligence in Rare Diseases





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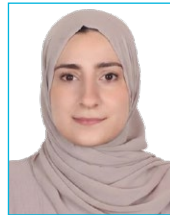
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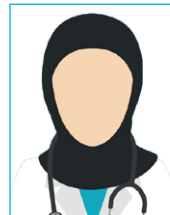
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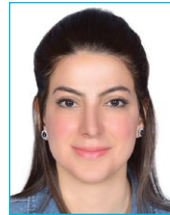

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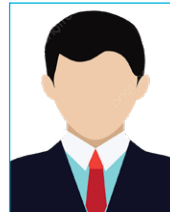

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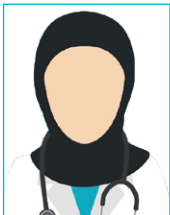
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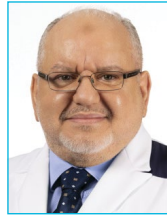
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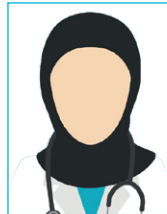
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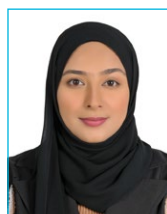


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WORKSHOPS

Pre-Congress | Friday | September 18
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13:00-13:50 Registration

13:50-14:00 Welcome & Introduction

Break Out Room 1

14:00-15:00 **Workshop 1:**
Diet as Management of Rare Diseases
Instructor: Ms. Masooma Al Jasmi, UAE

Break Out Room 2

14:00-15:00 **Workshop 2:**
Genetic Counselling in Rare Diseases:
Principles and Practice
Instructor: Dr. Richa Soni, UAE

Break Out Room 1

15:00-16:00 **Workshop 3:**
Metabolic Emergency Management
Instructors: Dr. Mahra Al Fattah & Dr. Dalia Ra'a Said, UAE

Break Out Room 2

15:00-16:00 **Workshop 4:**
Genetic Testing Results: How to Interpret?
Instructor: Dr. Azza Attia, UAE

16:00-16:15 Coffee Break

Break Out Room 1

16:15-17:15 **Workshop 5:**
Approach to Bleeding Disorders
Instructor: Dr. Eman Alshamsi, UAE

Break Out Room 2

16:15-17:15 **Workshop 6:**
How to Apply for IRB / DSREC Ethics Review
for Your Clinical Research
Instructor: Dr. Badria Almurshidi, UAE

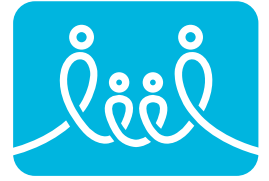
17:15 End of Workshops





FAMILY DAY AGENDA

Day 1 | Saturday | September 19
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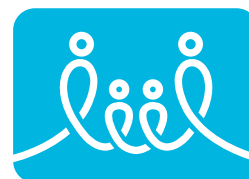


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08:55-09:40	Pre-Marital Genetic Screening in the UAE	Dr. Suad Alawar (MOHAP) Dr. Ali Al-Beshri (SEHA) Dr. Hamdan Ahmed Ibrahim Abdullah Al Balooshi (Dubai Courts)
	His Excellency Judge	
Q & A / Panel Discussion أسئلة وأجوبة		
09:40-10:20	Official Inauguration الافتتاح الرسمي للمؤتمر وتكريم العائلات والرعاة	
10:20-10:35	Coffee Break استراحة	
FAMILY DAY (Ballroom 1) Session 2: From Hope to Impact: Initiatives that Changed the Lives of the Rare's Chair: TBA		
10:35 - 12:15	Welcome & Introduction	عن رعايتنا قايده ترويج تاريخهم بريثأتنا جلا لم-انهم
Mrs. Nafisa Tawfiq – UAERDS Chairperson		
Bringing Them Out of Darkness and Into the Light: A Moroccan Experience in Protecting Children of the Moon—from Humanitarian Work to Innovation and Scientific Research An Experience in Confronting Xeroderma Pigmentosum		
Mr. Ahmed Zainoun, Winner of Hope Maker 2025 Founder and President, Son of Al Qamar Association, Morocco		
Mohammed: A Face of moonlight, a heart of patience		
Mrs. Subaha Al Shamsi, UAE		
A Nation That Empowers Its People: My Personal Journey from Inclusion to Achievement		
Shamsa AL Mehairi - Acting Head of the POD Friendly Government Entity - Government of Dubai Legal Affairs Department		
TBA		
Ms. Gabrielle Rosario, UAE		
TBA		
12:15 - 13:15	Lunch Break & Prayer	قلاصلا قدارتسا



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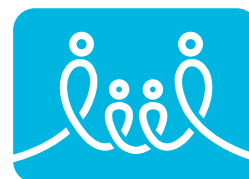


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FAMILY DAY (Ballroom 1) Session 3: POD Government Services Programs Chair: TBA		
13:15 - 14:45	POD Support programs at POD Department- Ministry of Family <i>Eman Jassim AlAli</i>	رمهلا باحصاً رمعد جمائر - قرسا قرازو - رمهلا باحصاً قراد
	POD Support Programs at Department of Social Services - Sharjah <i>Khaled Al Abdouli - Director of Wahat Al-Rushd</i>	رمهلا باحصاً رمعد جمائر - قرسا قرازو - رمهلا باحصاً قراد دشرا تاداو راد ريدم - يلو حبعلا حلاخ
	TBA	
	POD Support Programs and Child Protection <i>Ms. Fatma Al Marzouqi, UAE</i>	برامج حماية الطفل وأصحاب الهمم
	Q & A / Panel Discussion	قوجأو قلسأ
14:45 - 15:00	Coffee Break	قكارنسا
15:00 - 15:20	Industry Symposium 2 - TAIBA Healthcare (Main Hall - Ballroom 3)	Dr. Sareea Alremeithi, UAE
FAMILY DAY (Ballroom 1) Session 4: Quality of Life: Between Family Stability and Advances in Treatment Chair: Mrs. Nashemya Alfili		
15:00 - 16:50	A Panel Discussion on the Marriage of People with Disabilities: Between Reality and Challenges <i>Speakers: Dr. Nazem, Dr. Abdulla Al Hammami, Dr. Fatema AlHayyas</i> <i>Moderator: Ms. Nashmeya AlFili</i>	تايدحتلاو ققولا نيب رمهلا باحصاً جاوز ناو نعب قيشاقتا قلسا
	Treatment Approaches for Rare Diseases: Bone Marrow Therapy and Stem Cell Therapy Transplantation, Gene TBA	قبعجلا ايلخلا / ينجلا جلاخلا / عاخلا قعازز - قرحانلا صارملا جلاخلا قيرط نبع قلسا
	Health Quality and Community Prosperity <i>H.E. Dr. Eman AlHashmi, UAE</i>	جودة الصحة وازدهار المجتمع
	TBA	
	Q & A / Panel Discussion	قوجأو قلسأ
16:50 - 17:00	Sponsors Awarding and Closing & End of Day	



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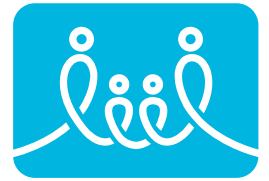
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MAIN HALL (Ballroom 3) Session 2: Innovation in Rare Disease Chair: Dr. Amal Al Tenaiji & Dr. Noor Almeheri		
10:35 - 10:55	Newborn Screening by Next Generation Sequencing, Challenges, & Benefits	Dr. Hamda Abulhoul, UAE
10:55 - 11:15	Novel Diagnostic / Laboratory Methods	Dr. Osama Aldirbashi, Qatar
11:15 - 11:35	Novel Therapeutic Approach to Metabolic Genetic Disorders	Dr. Amal Mohammed Alhashem, UAE
11:35 - 12:05	Symposium (Sanofi) - Neurological Manifestation of GD3	Dr. Amal Alteneiji, UAE
12:05 - 12:15	Q & A / Panel Discussion	
12:15 - 13:15	Lunch Break & Prayer فلتا ولا صلاة	
MAIN HALL (Ballroom 3) Session 3: Metabolism and Biochemical Genetics Chair: Dr. Amel Aljasmi Almaeenei & Dr. Noura Aldhaheer		
13:15 - 13:35	New and rare Inherited bone marrow failure syndromes	Dr. Leslie Lehmann, USA
13:35 - 13:55	Updates on Phenylketonuria	Dr. Amal Al Tenaiji, UAE
13:55 - 14:15	Insights on Lysosomal Storage Disease	Prof. Fatma Aljasmi, UAE
14:15 - 14:35	Updates in MPS II Management	Dr. Hind Alsharhan, Kuwait
14:35 - 14:45	Q & A / Panel Discussion مقابلات وأجوبة	
14:45 - 15:00	Coffee Break قهوة	
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MAIN HALL (Ballroom 3) Session 4: TBA Chair: Dr. Faizah Hashimy & Dr. Halima Aldhanhani		
15:20 - 15:40	TBC	Dr. Anne Slavotinek, USA
15:40 - 16:00	TBC	Dr. Benjamin Cocanougher, USA
16:00 - 16:20	Autism, Insight about Genetics	Dr. Maryam Alshehhi, UAE
16:20 - 16:40	Decoding PACS1 Syndrome: From Gene Discovery to Precision Therapy	Dr. Gary Thomas, USA
16:40 - 16:50	Q & A / Panel Discussion سؤال وجواب	
16:50 - 17:00	Sponsors Awarding and Closing & End of Day	





CONGRESS AGENDA

Day 2 | Sunday | September 20
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TIME	TOPICS	SPEAKER
08:00-08:50	Registration	
08:50 - 09:00	Welcome & Introduction	
Session 5: Metabolic Emergencies Session Chair: Dr. Mahra Alfattan & Dr. Ali Al-Beshri		
09:00 - 09:20	Porphyria, Insights on New Treatment	Dr. Nadia Alhashmi, Oman
09:20 - 09:40	Insights on Urea Cycle Defects	Dr. Noura Aldhaheri, UAE
09:40 - 10:10	Genetics Role in Intensive Care Management	Dr. Ahmad Abou Tayoun, UAE
10:00 - 13:00	PTC Workshop (Breakout Room)	Ms. Fatemah Alawadhi, Kuwait
10:10 - 10:30	Industry Symposium 3 – GenPharm (20 mins)	Dr. Amal Altenaiji, UAE
10:30 - 10:40	Q & A / Panel Discussion	
10:40 - 10:55	Coffee Break	
Session 6: Treatable Metabolic Disorders Chair: Dr. Dalia Alraei Said & Dr. Heba Elabd		
10:55 - 11:15	Vitamin Responsive Disorders	Dr. Tawfeg Ben Omran, Qatar
11:15 - 11:35	CTX, Rare Cause of Adult Neurological Disease	Dr. Arif Khan, UAE
11:35 - 11:55	Ataxia, Treatable Causes	Dr. Aman Sohal, UAE
11:55 - 12:15	From Genetics to Hemodynamics: Hereditary Pediatric Pulmonary Hypertension from Genetic Perspective	Dr. Ahmed Adel, UAE
12:15 - 12:35	Industry Symposium 4 - Biologics (20 mins)	
12:35 - 12:45	Q & A / Panel Discussion	
12:45 - 13:45	Lunch Break & Prayer	
Session 7: Genetics Chair: Dr. Waed Sumairi & Dr. Sara Alsuwaidi		
13:45 - 14:05	The Role of Family Physician in Genetic Era	Dr. Aisha Abdullah, UAE
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Session 8: Ethics & Research Chair: Dr. Fatma Aljasmi & Dr. Eman Taryam Alshamsi		
15:45 - 16:05	Ethics meets Genetics	Dr. Moeen Alsayed, KSA
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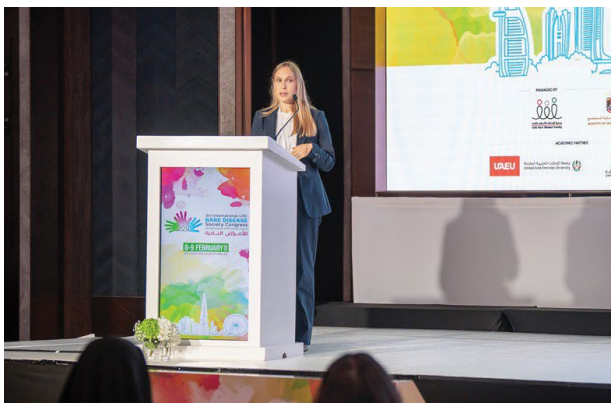




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