



Republic of the Philippines

DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



MEMORANDUM

FOR : ALL STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES AND PRIVATE HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES

FROM : LEAH J. BUENDIA, Ph.D.
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SUBJECT : PAASE Fireside Chats Episode 19: IVERMECTIN: PROS and CONS in Light of COVID in the Philippines

DATE : 30 March 2021

The Philippine-American Academy of Science and Engineering (PAASE) organized a webinar entitled “PAASE Fireside Chats Episode 19 IVERMECTIN: Pros and Cons in Light of COVID in the Philippines” scheduled on 31 March 2021 at 8:00 AM. The webinar aims to discuss the (i) clinical and epidemiological studies: safety and efficacy of Ivermectin for prevention and Treatment of COVID-19, (ii) Mechanisms of action: biomolecular or biochemical data, (iii) Ethical issues for Ivermectin Use, (iv) Regulatory issues for Ivermectin uses, and (v) ways forward.

The resource speakers for this event are as follows:

- **Jacinto Blas Mantaring, MD** – Professor and Chair, Department of Clinical Epidemiology, UP College of Medicine ical Professor and Practitioner, Pediatrics (Neonatology), Philippine General Hospital Chair, UP Research Ethics Board and DOH Single Joint Research Ethics Board
- **Joy Arabelle Castillo Fontanilla, MD** – Chief Section Endocrinology, Asian Hospital and Medical Center Head, Center for Weight Intervention & Nutrition Services, St. Luke’s Medical Center-Global City Associate Professor, Pharmacology, San Beda University College of Medicine American & Philippine Board-Certified in Internal Medicine, Endocrinology, Diabetes & Metabolism.
- **Benigno Agbayani, Jr., MD** – Chair, Department of Orthopedics, Manila Doctors Hospital, Medical Practitioner, Arthroscopy & Joint Reconstruction (Arthroplasty)Co-founder, Concerned Doctors and Citizens of the Philippines (CDC PH)
- **Benjamin “Benjie” G. Co, MD** - Medical Practitioner, Pediatrics (Infectious Disease and Clinical Pharmacology), UST Hospital, Asian Hospital and Medical Center, Cardinal Santos Medical Center
- **Leodevico “Vic” L. Ilag, PhD** - CSO, Xerion Australia, CSO Horizon Science (2011-2014), COO, Patrys Limited (2007-2010)

For zoom meeting credentials and other relevant information, interested participants can access this link <http://announcements.paase.org/>. Participants may also join via YouTube livestream at <https://youtu.be/Uah4O79IYc0>.

Thank you very much.