

PIDSP @20 Cascade of Educational Modules

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PIDSP continues enthusiastically to celebrate its 20 years of existence by being true to its mission to conduct year-long activities that focus on the mission and vision of the Society. After the HIV/AIDS symposium in Subic on May 19-20, 2013, the modules on Appropriate Use of Antimicrobials and Principles of Vaccination were cascaded nationwide among healthcare workers in the different regions of the country. The first lecture on Appropriate Use of Antimicrobials was immediately given 4 days

after the Subic CME Activity, on the 24th of May in Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center. And by September 13, just before the culminating activity of PIDSP@20, there were a total of 57 lectures rolled-out, involving a formidable 2552 participants. The most number of lectures (9) was given by Dr. Bettina Santos, while the most number of attendees at one lecture (588) was given by Dr. Xenia Fabay. Dr. Sally Gatchalian, Dr. Marie Arciaga and Dr. Betty Quiambao reached the farthest city in the

south, Zamboanga City, cascading both modules. On the other hand, Dr. Liza Gallardo gave a lecture on September 25, on Principles of Vaccinology in the most northern city of the country, Laoag City.

Because the vision of PIDSP@20 is: “with a deep sense of education to the Filipino child, we shall be the DYNAMIC and PROGRESSIVE subspecialty that leads in the fight against

childhood infections”, as of press time, there are still scheduled lectures to be accomplished. Sincere intentions of not only updating the present modules are on the way, but also making other modules on other emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases like HIV/AIDS, Measles, Bacterial Meningitis, and more. Indeed, PIDSP does not stop at 20, the purpose of life has just begun.

