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If you have an article, reference, announcement or any newsworthy piece please forward to anaesthesiology@ukzn.ac.za for inclusion in our next DAWN on 16 October 2026.

PUBLICATIONS

Naidoo D, de Vasconcellos K. *Predictive Value of Admission SOFA Scores for ICU Mortality: A Single-Centre Study from a South African Tertiary Hospital.*

South African Journal of Critical Care.

2026;42(2):e3809.

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.7196/>

Congratulations to Dr D. Naidoo and Prof K. de Vasconcellos on this important publication, contributing valuable insights into critical care outcomes in South Africa.

CAMPUS SAFETY & SECURITY NOTICE

Recent break-ins have been reported in the KRITH and DDMRI buildings. Security presence has been increased, CCTV investigations are underway, and additional cameras will be installed.

Staff & Students:

- Lock offices and windows when leaving.
- After-hours work requires a Line Manager letter, RMS verification, and use of the escort service.

RMS Contact: 031 260 4239

RMShelpdesk@ukzn.ac.za

Please note: A card re-verification process is currently underway. Further details will be communicated in due course.

NEXT DAWN 16 OCTOBER 2026

Send articles/notices of interest to be included in DAWN to anaesthesiology@ukzn.ac.za

NEW STAFF WELCOME

We would like to welcome new staff that have joined the **IALCH** department as permanent staff: **Drs Sanusha Reddy, Sivesh Seevnarain, Nobuhle Nkosi, Precious Dzanibe and Fahema Akonjee.**

Also joining the team as sessional specialists are: **Drs Pam Gumede and Marwala Pule.**

We appreciate your contributions and commitment to staying within the system and ensuring the future of academic medicine

REGISTRARS LEAVE APPLICATION 2027

Leave slots for **2027** will open on **12 October 2026.**

Please email your leave requests to **Hannah Naidoo** email :Naidoo.Hannah.nai@ialch.co.za and cc

Dhamiran Naidoo:dhamirannaidoo@gmail.com on all leave applications.

Please include:

- Annual Leave
- Research Leave
- Exam Leave
- Course/Conference Leave

Important: Course and conference special leave forms must be submitted **at least 3 months before the event date** to allow for DOH approval.

STAFF NOTICE

Please be advised that **Prof Dean Gopalan** will be on leave until **21 October.**

During his absence, **Dr Cronje** will serve as Acting Head and will deputise for **Prof Gopalan.**

We wish **Prof Gopalan** a restful leave and thank **Dr Cronje** for undertaking this responsibility.

UPCOMING FRIDAY MORNING SEMINARS				
07:15 FRIDAY MORNING MEETINGS – TEAMS				
2026	TOPIC		SPEAKER	MODERATOR
09 Oct	Anaesthesia for Scoliosis surgery		L Mkhize	A Ramkisson
16 Oct	Healthcare delivery costs to the anesthetist		T Kolanyane	S Reddy
23 Oct	Clinical Forum		RKK	S Tarr
30 Oct	EEG Monitoring for anaesthesia		T Modise	M Gayaparsad
DEPARTMENTAL WEEKLY DIARY				
DATE	TIME	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER	VENUE / TEAMS
MON 12 Oct	08h30 15h00	IALCH PAIN & OBS FCA PART II <i>Transplant Surgery</i>	<i>V Satayapal</i> <i>V Satayapal /S Sikhakhane</i>	IALCH IN-PERSON
TUE 13 Oct	07h00 07h30	M & M MEETING: ADD M & M MEETING: PMMH		ADD PMMH
WED 14 Oct	07h00 07h15	M & M MEETING: IALCH M & M MEETING: DPKISMH <i>Renal physiology. Renal failure. Renal Replacement Therapy. Diuretics. Contrast media.</i>	<i>G Ferreira</i>	IALCH DPKISMH VIA TEAMS
THU 15 Oct	07h15 07h30 16h30	M & M: RKK VMH ICU: M & M MEETING DIPLOMA IN ANAESTHETICS <i>Trauma/Burns anaesthesia</i>	<i>L Naicker</i>	RKK VMH - S block VIA TEAMS
FRI 16 Oct	07h00	FRIDAY MORNING MEETING <i>Healthcare delivery costs to the anesthetist</i>	<i>T Kolanyane</i>	VIA TEAMS/IN- PERSON



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Date
Fri 16 October 2026
6-8pm



Durban Country Club
Padel Nation



**Free for
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Includes:



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Rackets and
new balls



A soft drink &
water



Registration essential
as numbers limited.



RSVP to Jo Schmidt via Whatsapp
0824715466 by 12 October 2026



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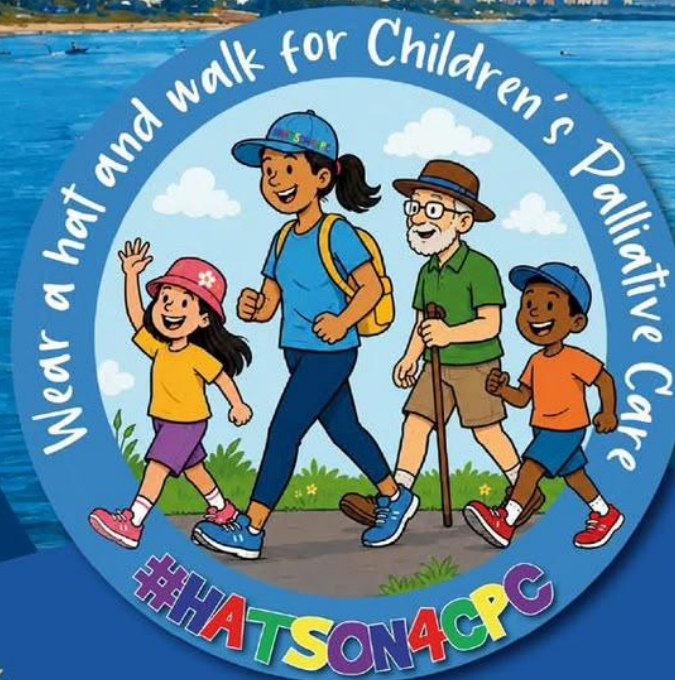
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Sunday 11 October

**WEAR A HAT AND WALK FOR
CHILDREN'S PALLIATIVE CARE**

Join us at 8 a.m. for a
5km walk along the Durban
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Starting at the Amphitheatre to
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SUBMIT ABSTRACTS

DATE

29 - 30 October 2026

VENUE

Nelson R Mandela School of Medicine,
K-RITH Tower Building

TIME

08h30 – 15h30

Don't miss this opportunity to share your work
and connect with fellow researchers and professionals

INSPIRING GREATNESS

Register to **attend the symposium**: <https://forms.gle/JsV338AM3xtFDAPG8>

Submit an abstract: <https://forms.gle/7qWREoUH4HxkVrTA8>



**Managing
Emergencies in
Paediatric
Anaesthesia**

The University of KwaZulu-Natal, Discipline of Anaesthesiology, Pain Medicine & Critical Care

MEPA WORKSHOP

FCA II • 17th October 2026 • UKZN SMART Centre

The Department will be hosting a MEPA (Managing Emergencies in Paediatric Anaesthesia) high-fidelity simulation Course/Workshop for registrars at the SMART Centre at IALCH on Saturday, 17th October 2026.

The course will be free of charge and preference will be given to registrars who are writing Part 2 exams either in the first or second semester 2027. The number of candidates will be limited to a maximum of eight.

MEPA is a full day practical, hands-on course, starting at 8:00 and finishing around 16:00. The Department will provide tea/coffee and lunch.

Interested individuals may apply for a spot on the course by filling out the form in the link below, no later than the 08th of October 2026.

Date: 17th October 2026
Time: 07h30 – 16h00
Location: UKZN SMART Centre (IALCH)

Register Here:

[MEPA OCT 2026](#)
[UKZN FCA II – Fill out form](#)



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