

CHENNAI PEDIATRIC AIRWAY CONGRESS 2026

Day 1: 04/09/26

Venue: The Savera

Time	Session / Topic	Faculty / Panel
8:00–11:00 AM	LIVE Endoscopic Procedures	Moderators in OR: Dr Kaalan Johnson (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Dr Deepak Mehta (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Moderators in hall: Dr Shashidar (Airway Surgeon) Dr Nikhila Raol (Pediatric Airway Surgeon)
11:00 AM–12:00 PM	Tracheostomy Talk: Dr Taher Valika (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) CAT Analysis: Dr Vivek Balaji (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Panel Moderator: Dr Soumitra Ghosh (Airway Surgeon)	Panelists: Dr Taher Valika (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Dr Raghunandan (ENT Surgeon) Dr Priyavardhini (Pediatric Intensivist) Dr Bala Ramachandran (Pediatric Intensivist)
12:00–1:00 PM	Pediatric OSA Talk: Dr Kaalan Johnson (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) CAT Analysis: Dr Sri Nandhini (Fellow in Pediatric Airway Surgery) Panel Moderator: Dr Arpit Sharma (Airway Surgeon)	Panelists: Dr Kaalan Johnson (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Dr Ilambharati (ENT Surgeon) Dr Shakthesh (Sleep Surgeon) Dr Anthony Irudhayarajan (ENT Surgeon)
1:00–2:00 PM	LUNCH	
2:00–3:00 PM	Laryngomalacia Talk: Dr Nikhila Raol (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) CAT Analysis: Dr Laya Sriram (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Panel Moderator: Dr Mary Kurien (Pediatric ENT & Airway Surgeon)	Panelists: Dr Ahmed Elsobky (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Dr Nikhila Raol (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Dr Chandrakumar (Neonatologist) Dr Biswajit Gogoi (Airway Surgeon)

3:00–4:00 PM	LTOC Talk 1: Dr Taher Valika (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Talk 2: Ms. Erin Crane (Swallow Pathologist) Panel Moderator: Dr Balagopal Kurup (Pediatric Airway Surgeon)	Panelists: Dr Taher Valika (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Dr Nilanjan (Deglutologist) Dr V.S.S. Srinivas (Pediatric Gastroenterologist) Ms. Erin Crane (Swallow Pathologist)
4:00–5:00 PM	VC Palsy Talk: Dr Matthew Brigger (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) CAT Analysis: Dr Subashini (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Panel Moderator: Dr Shashidar (Airway Surgeon)	Panelists: Dr Matthew Brigger (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Dr Ahmed Elsobky (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Dr Sanjeev Mohanty (ENT Surgeon) Dr M.K. Rajasekar (ENT Surgeon)
5:00–6:00 PM	Laryngeal Web Talk: Dr Deepak Mehta (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) CAT Analysis: Dr Pravilika (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Panel Moderator: Dr E.V. Raman (Pediatric ENT & Airway Surgeon)	Panelists: Dr Deepak Mehta (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Dr Jayanthi (Pediatric Anaesthesiologist) Dr B.Vivekanandan (ENT Surgeon) Dr Prasanna Kumar (ENT Surgeon)
6:00–7:00 PM	Subglottic Stenosis Talk: Dr Kaalan Johnson (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) CAT Analysis: Dr Swathi (Fellow in Pediatric Anaesthesia) Panel Moderator: Dr Anjoo Choudhary (Airway Surgeon)	Panelists: Dr Kaalan Johnson (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Dr Shyan Vijayasekaran (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Dr Sajith Kesavan (Pediatric Pulmonologist & Intensivist) Dr Narendra Tajne (Pediatric Anaesthesiologist)

CHENNAI PEDIATRIC AIRWAY CONGRESS 2026

Day 2: 05/09/26

Venue: The Savera

Time	Session / Topic	Faculty / Panel
8:00–11:00 AM	LIVE Endoscopic Procedures	Moderators in OR: Dr Shyan Vijayasekaran (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Dr Sohit Kanotra (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Moderators in Hall: Dr Anjoo Choudhary (Airway Surgeon) Dr Taher Valika (Pediatric Airway Surgeon)
11:00 AM–12:00 PM	Tracheomalacia Talk: Dr Nagarajan Muthialu (Pediatric Tracheal Surgeon) CAT Analysis: Dr V.V. Vivekanand (Pediatric Pulmonologist) Panel Moderator: Dr Kamran (Pediatric Airway Surgeon)	Panelists: Dr Nagarajan Muthialu (Pediatric Tracheal Surgeon) Dr Kaalan Johnson (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Dr Srikanta (Pediatric Pulmonologist) Dr N.C. Gowri Shankar (Pediatric Pulmonologist)
12:00–1:00 PM	Tracheal Stenosis Talk: Dr Sohit Kanotra (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) CAT Analysis: Dr Manishaa (Fellow in Pediatric Airway Surgery) Panel Moderator: Dr Rakesh Srivatsava (Airway Surgeon)	Panelists: Dr Sohit Kanotra (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Dr Nagarajan Muthialu (Pediatric Tracheal Surgeon) Dr Saravana Selvan (ENT Surgeon) Dr Neville Solomon (Pediatric Cardiothoracic Surgeon)
1:00–2:00 PM	LUNCH	
2:00–3:00 PM	Intubation Injuries Talk: Dr Deepak Mehta (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) CAT Analysis: Dr K. Ravikumar (Pediatric Intensivist) Panel Moderator: Dr Madhumitha (Airway Surgeon)	Panelists: Dr Deepak Mehta (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Dr Vaanathi (Neonatologist) Dr Gayathri (Pediatric Anaesthesiologist) Dr Sanjay Prabhu (Pediatric Anaesthesiologist)

3:00–4:00 PM	FB in Airway Talk: Dr Matthew Brigger (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) CAT Analysis: Dr Meruthula (Fellow in Pediatric Pulmonology) Panel Moderator: Dr Manish Munjal (ENT Surgeon)	Panelists: Dr Matthew Brigger (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Dr Sudeep Kumar (Pediatric Intensivist) Dr Venkatakarthikeyan (ENT Surgeon) Dr Somu Sivabalan (Pediatric Pulmonologist)
4:00–5:00 PM	Cysts & Tumors in Airway Talk: Dr Ahmed Elsobky (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) CAT Analysis: Dr Gowthami (Fellow in Pediatric Surgery) Panel Moderator: Dr Padmanabhan Kumar (ENT Surgeon)	Panelists: Dr Ahmed Elsobky (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Dr Taher Valika (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Dr Priya Ramachandran (Pediatric Surgeon) Dr Vidhyadharan (ENT & Head and Neck Surgeon)
5:00–6:00 PM	Management of Syndromic Children Talk 1: Dr Shyan Vijayasekaran (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Talk 2: Ms. Alefiya Rangwala (Swallow Pathologist) Panel Moderator: Dr Thirunavukkarasu (Pediatric Airway Surgeon)	Panelists: Dr Shyan Vijayasekaran (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Dr Sarath Balaji (Pediatric Pulmonologist) Dr Pratiba Chandershekar (Neonatologist) Dr Ramesh (Pediatric Anaesthesiologist)

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Tracheostomy Program (Day 3: 06/09/26)

Venue: Apollo Simulation Centre, Vanagaram

Timings: 8:30am-4:00pm

Time	Session / Topic	Faculty / Panel
8:30-9:00 AM	Registration	
9:00-9:15 AM	Welcome/ Introduction	Dr Bala Ramachandran (Pediatric Intensivist)
9:15-9:45 AM	Pediatric Tracheostomy – From the Surgeon's Perspective	Dr Matthew Brigger (Pediatric Airway Surgeon)
9:45-10:15 AM	Pediatric Tracheostomy – From the Intensivist's Perspective	Dr Bala Ramachandran (Pediatric Intensivist)
10:15-10:45 AM	Decannulation	Dr Sudeep Kumar (Pediatric Intensivist)
10:45-11:00 AM	Coffee Break	
11:00-11:30 AM	Ventilation on Tracheostomy	Dr Sajith Kesavan (Pediatric Pulmonologist & Intensivist)
11:30 AM-12:00 PM	Speaking Valves	Dr Nikhila Raol (Pediatric Airway Surgeon)
12:00-12:30 PM	Swallowing in Tracheostomised Children	Ms. Erin Crane (Swallow Pathologist)
12:30-1:15 PM	Lunch	
	(HANDS ON WORK STATIONS)	
1:15-1:45PM	Tracheostomy tubes and speaking valves	Dr. Bala Ramachandran (Pediatric Intensivist) Dr Sudeep Kumar (Pediatric Intensivist)
1:45-2:15PM	Ventilation with Tracheostomy	Dr Sajith Kesavan (Pediatric Pulmonologist & Intensivist) & Dr Thiagarajan (Pediatric Intensivist)
2:15-3:00PM	Tracheostomy decannulation	Dr K Ravi Kumar (Pediatric Intensivist)
3:00-3:30pm	Tracheostomy Home Care	Dr Gayathri (Pediatric Anesthesiologist)
3:30-4:00PM	Certificate distribution & Vote of thanks	

SWALLOWING WORKSHOP (Day 3: 06/09/26)

Venue: Apollo Simulation Centre, Vanagaram

Timings: 9:15am-4pm

Time	Session / Topic	Faculty / Panel
9:15 AM	Introduction	Ms. Sahana (Swallow Pathologist)
9:15-9:45 AM	Feeding Skills in Newborn - Neurodevelopmental Basis and Skills Needed for Oral Readiness	Ms. Erin Crane (Swallow Pathologist)
9:45-10:15 AM	Feeding Intervention Strategies- Cue Based and Oral Motor Stimulation	Ms. Alifa Rangwala (Swallow Pathologist)
10:15-10:45 AM	Tongue Tie and Frenotomy- Speech Myths, Indication and Over Diagnosis	Dr Nikhila Raol (Pediatric Airway Surgeon)
10:45-11:15 AM	Tube Feeding to Oral Transition and Gastrostomy Consideration	Ms. Erin Crane (Swallow Pathologist)
11:15-11:30 AM	Coffee Break	
11:30 AM-12:00 PM	FEES and VFSS in Indian Pediatric Practice	Dr Nilanjan (Deglutologist)
12:00-1:00 PM	Dysphagia in High-Risk Populations – Anomalies Affecting Feeding	Dr Vidhyadharan (ENT & Head and neck Surgeon)
1:00-1:15 PM	Summary and Closing Remarks	Ms. Bhargavi (Swallow Pathologist)
1:15-2:00 PM	Lunch	
2:00-4:00 PM	Hands on FEES workshop / VFSS in Pediatric Swallowing- Interpretation and Report Writing	Dr Nikhila Raol (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) Dr Nilanjan (Deglutologist) Ms. Erin Crane (Swallow Pathologist) Ms. Alifa Rangwala (Swallow Pathologist)

PEDIATRIC INTERVENTIONAL PULMONOLOGY WORKSHOP

(Day 3: 06/09/26)

Linear EBUS, Cryotherapy & APC

Venue: Apollo Simulation Centre, Vanagaram

Timings: 9am–4pm

Time	Session / Topic	Faculty / Panel
09:00–09:10AM	Registration & Welcome	Organizing Committee
09:10–09:20AM	Introduction	Faculty and Delegates
09:20–09:40AM	Lecture 1: Pediatric EBUS: Indications, Patient Selection and Planning	Dr Vivekanand VV (Pediatric Pulmonologist)
09:40–10:00AM	Lecture 2: Performing Pediatric EBUS-TBNA: Anatomy, Equipment and Technique	Dr Srikanta JT (Pediatric Pulmonologist)
10:00–10:20AM	Lecture 3: Safety, Complications and Case-Based Pediatric EBUS	Dr Sajith Kesavan (Pediatric Pulmonologist & Intensivist)
10:20–10:25AM	Discussion & Questions: Linear EBUS	All Faculty
10:25–10:35AM	Tea Break	
10:35AM–12:50PM	Linear EBUS Hands-on Workshop Scope handling • Ultrasound orientation • Nodal mapping • Doppler	Dr Srikanta JT (Pediatric Pulmonologist) Dr Sajith Kesavan (Pediatric Pulmonologist & Intensivist) Dr Vivekanand VV (Pediatric Pulmonologist)
12:50–01:30PM	Lunch Break	
01:30–01:50PM	Lecture 4: Cryotherapy and APC in Pediatric Airways- Cryoadhesion, Cryorecanalization, Cryobiopsy & Safety	Dr Srikanta JT (Pediatric Pulmonologist)
01:50–02:10PM	Lecture 5: Expanding Horizons in Pediatric Interventional Pulmonology	Dr Sajith Kesavan (Pediatric Pulmonologist & Intensivist)
02:10–03:30PM	Cryotherapy & APC Hands-on Workshop Probe handling, Cryoadhesion, Cryorecanalization	Dr Srikanta JT (Pediatric Pulmonologist) Dr Sajith Kesavan (Pediatric Pulmonologist & Intensivist) Dr Vivekanand VV (Pediatric Pulmonologist)
03:30–04:00PM	Feedback, Certificates & Closing	Faculty

SURGICAL WORKSHOP PROGRAM (Day 3: 06/09/26)

Venue: Apollo Simulation Centre, Vanagaram

Timings: 9am-4pm

Session / Topic	Faculty / Panel
LTR Demonstration (on sheep)	Dr Deepak Mehta (Pediatric Airway Surgeon)
PCTR Demonstration (on sheep)	Dr Taher Valika (Pediatric Airway Surgeon)
Tracheal Resection Demonstration (on sheep)	Dr Sohit Kanotra (Pediatric Airway Surgeon)
Airway Endoscopies Demonstration	Dr Sohit Kanotra (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) & Dr Matthew Brigger (Pediatric Airway Surgeon)
Slide Tracheoplasty & Endoscopic Suturing Technique (on trachea models)	Dr Kaalan Johnson (Pediatric Airway Surgeon) & Dr Ahmed Elsobky