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10TH EDITION

CAHOCON

**20
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10th–12th April 2026

Chennai Trade Centre, Chennai

India's Premier Healthcare Conference

TECH, TOUCH AND TRUST - THE NEW HEALTHCARE CODE

DELEGATE BROCHURE



GLIMPSES FROM CAHOCON 2025





ABOUT CAHOCON 2026

CAHOCON 2026 marks a landmark milestone in the evolution of India's healthcare quality movement — the 10th edition of the flagship annual conference of the Consortium of Accredited Healthcare Organizations (CAHO).

This special edition returns to the vibrant and historic city of Chennai, a city that perfectly embodies culture, care, and capability.

Over the years, CAHOCON has transformed from a knowledge-sharing forum into a powerful catalyst for change — bringing together healthcare leaders, professionals, policymakers, and innovators united by one purpose: to advance quality and patient safety in healthcare.

What sets CAHOCON 2026 apart from its predecessors and other healthcare events is its scale, inclusivity, and forward-looking vision. This year's conference will:

- Feature high-impact scientific sessions led by global experts and national thought leaders
- Conduct pre-conference workshops hosted at leading hospitals across Tamil Nadu
- Offer immersive panel discussions, interactive networking opportunities, and innovation showcases
- Celebrate excellence through CAHO Awards recognizing outstanding contributions in healthcare quality and safety

CAHOCON 2026 is not just a conference — it's a movement that celebrates a decade of progress and sets the course for the next era of transformation in Indian healthcare.

The theme for CAHOCON 2026 — “Tech, Touch, and Trust” — reflects the evolving essence of healthcare in today's world.

1. Tech

- Represents the digital transformation redefining healthcare delivery — from AI, robotics, and telemedicine to smart hospitals and data-driven decision-making.
- CAHOCON 2026 will spotlight how technology can be harnessed responsibly to improve efficiency, precision, and accessibility in patient care.

2. Touch

- Symbolizes the human connection that lies at the heart of healing.
- Even as technology advances, empathy, compassion, and human touch remain irreplaceable.
- The conference aims to reinforce the message that innovation must enhance, not replace, the human element in care.

3. Trust

- Embodies the foundation of all healthcare relationships.
- Trust is earned through transparency, ethical practices, and consistent quality outcomes.
- CAHOCON 2026 emphasizes the shared responsibility of every healthcare professional and institution to protect patient data, dignity, and safety while nurturing confidence in the system.

Together, these three pillars — Tech, Touch, and Trust — capture the holistic vision of CAHOCON 2026: a future where healthcare is intelligent yet humane, efficient yet empathetic, and advanced yet anchored in trust.



WHY ATTEND CAHOCON 2026 ?

CAHOCON 2026 is a must-attend event for every healthcare professional committed to quality and excellence. Here's why:



Learn from the Best:

Engage directly with renowned thought leaders, seasoned experts, and trailblazing pioneers in healthcare quality and patient safety — both from India and across the globe. Gain valuable insights from their experiences, case studies, and innovative practices shaping the future of healthcare.

Stay Ahead of Change:

Explore the latest developments and emerging trends in healthcare technology, accreditation standards, and digital transformation. Understand how these evolving practices can be integrated to enhance patient outcomes and operational excellence in your organization.

Hands-on Learning:

Take part in interactive workshops and in-depth masterclasses hosted at some of Tamil Nadu's most respected hospitals. Experience practical, real-world training designed to strengthen your skills and equip you with actionable strategies for quality improvement.

Network & Collaborate:

Build meaningful connections with peers, policymakers, healthcare administrators, and industry leaders. Share ideas, discuss challenges, and form partnerships that can drive collective progress in patient safety and healthcare quality.

Get Inspired:

Listen to powerful stories of innovation and impact from healthcare institutions and professionals who are redefining patient care. Discover how small changes can lead to big improvements in outcomes, efficiency, and compassion.

Be Recognized:

Celebrate excellence in healthcare by showcasing your institution's achievements. Participate in CAHO's prestigious awards program and gain national recognition for your commitment to advancing quality, safety, and patient-centered care.

OUR JOURNEY



DELHI
THEME: BEST PRACTICES IN HEALTHCARE

2015



BENGALURU
THEME: QUALITY BEYOND ACCREDITATION

2016



DELHI
THEME: MONITOR, MEASURE & IMPROVE

2017



CHENNAI
THEME: TIMELY INTERVENTION IS KEY TO QUALITY

2018



MUMBAI
THEME: HEALTHCARE QUALITY SHOULD IMPACT OUTCOME

2019



PANDEMIC PERIOD
THEME: PERIOD OF GROWTH WITH VARIOUS INITIATIVES ON PATIENT SAFETY

2020-21



KOCHI
THEME: BUILDING CULTURE OF SAFETY IN HEALTHCARE

2022



HYDERABAD
THEME: LEADERSHIP IS THE KEY TO QUALITY

2023



KOLKATA
THEME: MAKING HEALTHCARE EFFICIENT, EFFECTIVE, ECONOMICAL & EQUITABLE

2024



DELHI
THEME: ENHANCING QUALITY THROUGH COLLABORATION-TRANSFORMING HEALTHCARE TOGETHER

2025



CHENNAI
THEME: TECH, TOUCH AND TRUST - THE NEW HEALTHCARE CODE

2026



PAST SPEAKERS

2016

Mr LAKSHMI NARAYAN
Dr IRINA PAPIVA
Dr SUDARSHAN BALLAL
Dr NANDAKUMAR JAIRAM
Dr SANJEEV SINGH
Dr SUGANTHI IYER
Dr PURVISH M PAREKH
Dr SATISH KUMAR
Dr NAVEEN CHITKARA
Mr UDAI KUMAR

2017

Prof SUPTENDRA NATH
Prof JEFFREY BRAITHWAITE
Dr SHIV K SARIN
Dr VANDANA JAIN
Dr KK AGGARWAL
Mr D V S RAMESH
Mr KAMAL KANT GUPTA
Dr NAGESHWAR RAO
Lt Col SARAVJEET KAUR
Dr ARATI VERMA
Dr KEYOOR C
Dr BANSIDHAR TARAI

2018

Dr PREETHA REDDY
Dr DINESH ARORA
Mr ALOK SARAOGI
Dr VANDANA JAIN
Dr ANTONY BASILE
Dr HARISH PILLAI
Dr ATUL TATHAI
Dr VENKATESH THUPPIL
Dr SRINIVASARAMAN
Mr SAMUEL ABRAHAM
Dr ARUN AGARWAL

2019

Dr RAVINDRAN JEGASOTHY
Dr THOMAS KOZLOWSKI
Mr YATEESH WAHAAL
Ms SONALI BENDRE
Mr PRAVEEN NIJHARA
Dr HARISH PILLAI
Dr BHAWNA RAO
Dr ARVINDER SINGH
Lt. GEN (DR.) VELU NAIR

2021

Dr RS SHARMA
Dr RANI SHIFRON
Dr AMIT MOOKIM
Dr VISHAL RAO
Dr HARSH MAHAJAN
Dr RAJKUMAR V PATIL
Dr ARVIND
SIVARAMAKRISHNAN
Dr KEDAR TORASKAR
Dr ELLIOT B SLOANE
Mr JOY CHAKRABORTY
Mr MUTHU SINGARAM
Dr SHARVIL P PATEL

2022

Dr PAWAN KAPOOR
Mr MICHAEL GIULIANO
Mr NORMAN DEERY
Dr RAKSHAY SHETTY
Dr V P PAILY
Dr DEEPAK V
Dr ATUL MOHAN
Mr SHYAM SRINIVASAN
Mr SOM MITTAL
Mr P NEELKANNAN
Fr SHAIJU AUGUSTINE THOPPIL
Mr SURESH LULLA

2023

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Dr GV RAO
Dr GRAHAM DICKSON
Dr RAVINDRAN JEGASOTHY
Ms PRATYUSHA SHARMA
Dr ANURAG SAXENA
Capt Dr USHA BANERJEE
Ms LOUISE CUSKELLY
Dr ZHIWEN JOSEPH
Dr SANJEEV K SINGH
Mr DAVID EVANS
Dr N SRIDHAR
Dr SHIN USHIRO
Mr R GOVIND HARI
Capt AJITHA NAIR

2024

Dr JOEL A ROOS
Dr JITENDRA SHARMA
Padma Shri Dr MAMMEN
CHANDY
Padma Shri Dr HARSH
MAHAJAN
Dr MOHAMED RELA
Dr PARAG RINDANI
Dr ARATI VERMA
Dr MURALI SRINIVASAN
Mr MANVIR VICTOR
Dr (Prof) B. SRINIVAS
Mr VINOD KANNAN

2025

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Dr PETER HIBBERT
Dr HARISH CHELLANI
Mr PRITIPAL SINGH
Dr ATUL MOHAN KOCHHAR
Dr B N GANGADHAR
Dr VISHWA SRIVASTAVA
Mr SUBROTO GUPTA
Mr PETER FRIEDRICH
Mr MAJID ZAHOOOR
Dr RAAJIV SINGHAL
Mr DS NEGI
Dr SHIN USHIRO



10TH EDITION

CAHOCON **20**
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10 April PRE-CONFERENCE
WORKSHOP

11 April CAHOCON 2026
& EXHIBITION

12 April CAHOCON 2026
& EXHIBITION

AT CHENNAI TRADE
CENTRE, CHENNAI

INTERNATIONAL DELEGATES (SAARC COUNTRIES)

CAHO Membership Status / Registration Options	CAHO / ISQUA / ASQUA Member	Non-Member	Student
CAHOCON CONFERENCE (11 & 12 April 2026)	\$60	\$100	\$50
BANQUET DINNER (11 April 2026)			
CAHOCON CONFERENCE (11 & 12 April 2026)	\$85	\$125	\$75
BANQUET DINNER (11 April 2026)			
PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP (CHOOSE ONE) (10 April 2026)			

INTERNATIONAL DELEGATES (REST OF THE WORLD)

CAHO Membership Status / Registration Options	CAHO / ISQUA / ASQUA Member	Non-Member	Student
CAHOCON CONFERENCE (11 & 12 April 2026)	\$150	\$200	\$100
BANQUET DINNER (11 April 2026)			
CAHOCON CONFERENCE (11 & 12 April 2026)	\$175	\$225	\$125
BANQUET DINNER (11 April 2026)			
PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP (CHOOSE ONE) (10 April 2026)			

*More than 3 Delegates: 10% Discount on Registration

*Registration is non-refundable.

*Pre-conference workshops will be held at various hospitals of Chennai.



ACCOMMODATION

CAHOCON 2026 SPECIAL TARIFF



ITC GRAND CHOLA

Single: **INR.16150 + 18% GST**
Double : **INR.18050 + 18% GST**

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RADISSON BLU HOTEL & SUITES GRT

Single: **INR.15500 + 18% GST**
Double : **INR.16500 + 18% GST**

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PARK HYATT

Single: **INR.14500 + 18% GST**
Double : **INR.15500 + 18% GST**

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**FEATHERS
A RADHA HOTEL**

Single: **INR.12500 + 18% GST**
Double : **INR.14000 + 18% GST**

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HILTON

Single: **INR.12000 + 18% GST**
Double : **INR.13000 + 18% GST**

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TRIDENT

Single: **INR.10000 + 18% GST**
Double : **INR.11000 + 18% GST**

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*Please note that room rates are subjected to availability and are dynamic in nature, hence are subjected to change in the future

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RAMADA PLAZA BY WYNDHAM

Single: **INR.9000 + 18% GST**
Double : **INR.10000 + 18% GST**

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GRAND CHENNAI BY GRT HOTELS

Single: **INR.9000 + 18% GST**
Double : **INR.10000 + 18% GST**

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LE ROYAL MERIDIEN

Single: **INR.8500 + 18% GST**
Double : **INR.9500 + 18% GST**

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LEMON TREE HOTEL, SHIMONA

Single: **INR.7500 + 5% GST**
Double : **INR.8500 + 18% GST**

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LEMON TREE HOTEL, GUINDY

Single: **INR.6500 + 5% GST**
Double : **INR.7500 + 5% GST**

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HABLIS A BUSINESS HOTEL

Single: **INR.5500 + 5% GST**
Double : **INR.6500 + 5% GST**

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BLOOM HUB | GUINDY

Single: **INR.5200 + 5% GST**
Double : **INR.6000 + 5% GST**

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ABOUT CAHO

A not-for-profit body representing healthcare institutions, diagnostic centres and quality professionals with an overarching aim to promote patient safety through better training for hospital staff, quality through communication skills for the healthcare professional and accreditation in healthcare ecosystem.

Our aim is to systematically infuse & spread the message of quality in healthcare at the grassroot level so as to develop a culture of safety in healthcare organizations.

To know more about CAHO visit www.caho.in





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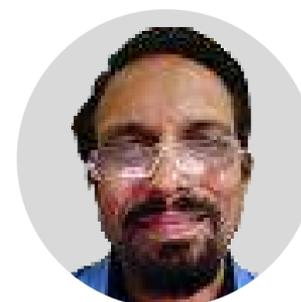
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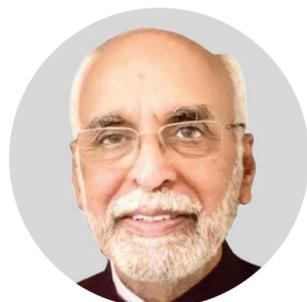
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