

Academia
Puertorriqueña
de Neurología

2026 ANNUAL
MEETING

PROGRAM AGENDA

August 28-30, 2026 · Caribe Hilton · San Juan, PR

Welcome

Welcome, colleagues!

It is a true privilege to welcome you to the **Puerto Rico Academy of Neurology 2026 Annual Convention**.

This year, under the theme ***New Dimensions in Neurological Care***, we invite you to explore the new dimensions transforming our specialty. We have created a dynamic and clinically relevant program bringing together adult and pediatric neurology, challenging cases, emerging therapies, and advances that are redefining the way we practice and care for our patients.

But our convention is also a time to reconnect, exchange experiences, build new collaborations, and celebrate the vibrant neurological community we have created together in Puerto Rico.

As I approach the conclusion of my term as President, I look back with tremendous pride and gratitude at what we have accomplished together. My heartfelt thanks go to our Board of Directors, speakers, sponsors, collaborators, and especially to each of you. Your enthusiasm, participation, and commitment are what continue to move our Academy forward.

I invite you to make the most of these days—to learn, share, connect, and inspire one another. Together, let us continue exploring new dimensions of knowledge, innovation, and collaboration while opening new possibilities for our specialty and, most importantly, for our patients.

May this convention be an inspiring, dynamic, and memorable experience for all of us!



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APN President, 2024–2026

Agenda



FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 2026

2.0 CME

4:00 - 4:30 pm	Registration	
4:30 - 4:40 pm	Welcome and Pre-Test	By: Naggai González Segarra, MD
4:40 - 5:10 pm	Neurology Resident Case Presentation: When Standard Therapy Is Not Enough: Treatment Challenges in a Young Woman with Acute Refractory Seizures	By: Gladys Flores Romero, MD, PGY-2
5:10 - 5:40 pm	Neurology Resident Case Presentation: When the Cord Was Only the Beginning: A Diagnostic Odyssey Through Infection and Inflammation	By: Sophía Hernández, MD, PGY-3
5:40 - 6:10 pm	Neurology Resident Case Presentation: Rare Cause of Cerebellar Ataxia in a Lymphoproliferative Process	By: José Carlo Rivera Baiges, MD, PGY-4
6:10 - 6:40 pm	Neurology Resident Case Presentation: A Floppy Infant with Progressive Respiratory Failure	By: Melyorise Sepúlveda, MD, Pediatric Neurology Resident
6:40 - 7:00 pm	Q&A Session	
7:00 - 9:00 pm	Welcome Reception	Private Event – Physicians Only

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2026

5.0 CME

7:00 - 8:00 am	Registration & Exhibit Hall Open
7:00 am - 1:35 pm	Scientific Poster Session (Viewing)

Parallel Sessions: Adult & Pediatric Neurology

TRACK A: ADULT NEUROLOGY

8:00 - 8:10 am	Welcome & Pre-Test
8:10 - 9:10 am	NMOSD and MOGAD Update: New Diagnostic Criteria & Current Treatments Noellie Rivera, MD
9:10 - 10:10 am	Deep Brain Stimulation Surgery Updates for Movement Disorders: Manatí Medical Center Experience Ángel Viñuelas, MD & David Lozada, MD
10:10 - 10:35 am	Break, Exhibits & Scientific Posters
10:35 - 11:35 am	Neurodivergent Conditions in Adulthood: Functional Autism and Masking in Females Francisco González, PhD, BCBA
11:35 am-12:35 pm	GLP-1 Receptor Agonists in Neurologic Disease: Emerging Evidence and Therapeutic Advances Nydia Burgos, MD

TRACK B: PEDIATRIC NEUROLOGY

8:00 - 8:10 am	Welcome & Pre-Test
8:10 - 9:10 am	Autism Spectrum Disorders: Trending Therapies and Emerging Evidence Beatriz González Abella, MD
9:10 - 10:10 am	2026 Update on ADHD David K. Urion, MD, FAAN
10:10 - 10:35 am	Break, Exhibits & Scientific Posters
10:35 - 11:35 am	Beyond Seizure Control: The New Era of Pediatric Epilepsy Treatment Noheli Rodríguez, MD
11:35 am-12:35 pm	Sleep Disorder in Neurodivergent and Clinically Compromised Patients: Causes and Treatment David E. de Ángel Solá, MD, FAAP

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2026

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End of Parallel Sessions

12:35 - 1:35 pm	Lunch	
1:35 - 2:35 pm	An Evidence-Based Approach to Brain Health and Preventive Neurology Across the Lifespan	By: María E. Dávila, MD
2:35 - 3:35 pm	Annual Assembly	
7:00 - 11:00 pm	Dinner Gala: "Havana Nights"	Private Event – Physicians Only

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2026

4.0 CME

7:00 - 8:00 am	Registration & Exhibit Hall Open	
8:00 - 8:10 am	Welcome and Pre-Test	By: Naggai González Segarra, MD
8:10 - 9:10 am	Neuro-Ophthalmology for the Practicing Neurologist	By: Mariam Vilá, MD
9:10 - 10:10 am	Beyond the Acute Phase: Mastering Long-Term Autoimmune Encephalitis Management	By: Danelvis Paredes, MD
10:10 - 10:30 am	Break & Exhibits	
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	First Unprovoked Seizure: A Lifespan Approach to Clinical Decision-Making	By: José Arias, MD
12:00 - 1:00 pm	Acute Stroke Guidelines 2026: Expanding Treatment Windows and Key Pediatric Stroke Pearls	By: Ulises Nobo, MD
1:00 - 1:10 pm	Closing Remarks & Post-Test	By: Naggai González Segarra, MD

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Speakers



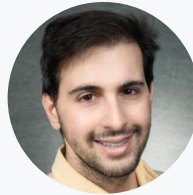
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DID YOU KNOW?

The Beginnings of APN

1965

Founded

First Presidency

Luis P. Sánchez Longo, MD
1965–1967

The Academia de Neurología de Puerto Rico was founded in 1965, when a group of neurologists and physicians from related specialties came together to formally organize the field of neurology in Puerto Rico. The initiative was led by Luis P. Sánchez Longo, MD.

Discover more about APN's early years through the memoirs of **Juan Rodríguez del Valle, MD**, who participated in the Academy's beginnings and later served as president.

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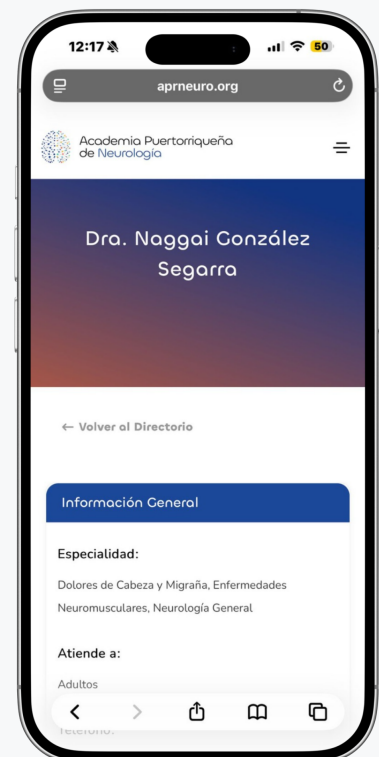
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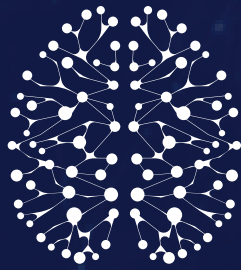
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