



Philippine College of Surgeons

Quality Surgery For All

The organization of Surgical Specialists in the Philippines
A Specialty Division of the Philippine Medical Association

VISION

We are the premier organization of surgical professionals.

MISSION STATEMENT

We shall fulfill our vision through **Quality Surgery for all.**



Philippine College of Surgeons Foundation, Inc.

VISION

The Philippine College of Surgeons Foundation, Inc. harnesses solutions to support initiatives that address the surgical needs of the Philippines.

MISSION STATEMENT

We are responsible stewards of resources generated through collaboration with the Philippine College of Surgeons and all who share our Vision

MESSAGES

Celebrating 90 Years of Excellence, Unity, and Service

It is with immense pride and gratitude that I welcome all Fellows, members, partners, and friends of the Philippine College of Surgeons as we celebrate our **90th Foundation Year.**



For nine decades, the Philippine College of Surgeons has stood as a steadfast institution dedicated to advancing the art and science of surgery and, above all, serving the Filipino patient. From its humble beginnings in 1936, PCS has grown into a strong and united community of surgeons—bound by a shared commitment to excellence, professionalism, education, leadership, and service.

Our 90th anniversary is more than a celebration of our past. It is a celebration of the people, ideals, and collective efforts that have shaped PCS through the generations. We honor the pioneers who laid our foundation, the leaders and Fellows who strengthened our institution, and the countless surgeons who continue to serve our people in communities throughout the Philippines and beyond.

This milestone also reminds us that the strength of PCS lies in our unity in diversity. Our chapters, subspecialty societies, affiliate organizations, committees, and individual Fellows each bring unique expertise and perspectives. Together, under one institution, we form a stronger and more responsive surgical community.

As we look toward the future, PCS must continue to evolve with the changing landscape of healthcare. We must embrace innovation and technology while preserving the values that define our profession. We must strengthen surgical education, promote research and lifelong learning, advocate for patient safety and quality surgical care, and expand our commitment to underserved communities across the archipelago.

Our 90th Foundation Year is therefore both a commemoration and a commitment—a commitment to carry forward the legacy entrusted to us and to build an even stronger Philippine College of Surgeons for the generations that will follow.

May this celebration remind us of where we came from, inspire us by what we have accomplished, and unite us in our vision of what PCS can become.

Ninety years behind us. A greater future ahead.

Together, let us continue to uphold the highest ideals of our profession and ensure that the Philippine College of Surgeons remains a unifying force in Philippine surgery—serving our Fellows, strengthening our profession, and, most importantly, improving the lives of the Filipino people.

Mabuhay ang Philippine College of Surgeons!
Mabuhay ang Filipino Surgeon!
Mabuhay ang PCS at 90!



JOSELITO M. MENDOZA, MD, FPCS
President

Ninety years ago, the Philippine College of Surgeons began as an idea — some would call it visionary, others a grand design. Perhaps it was both, and something quieter besides: like a spring rising from the ground, gathering into a pond, then a river, until it found its way to the sea. A confluence of life, circumstance, nature, the will of men and women, and the plan of God.

Today we celebrate ninety years of that confluence — ninety years of uniting surgeons of every persuasion and every specialty across the length and breadth of this archipelago. Ninety years of forging one purpose out of many hands. And in that unity, we have called on every surgeon, again and again, to answer to excellence — not only to sharpen our own skill and honor our own profession, but to lift the care we give to those who trust us with their lives. A culture of excellence and a culture of service: these are no longer aspirations. After ninety years, they are simply who we are.

We wish the College many more years to come. But an anniversary is not only a look back — it is a charge forward. It will be our fellows, and especially the young fellows who follow after us, who carry this institution into its next chapter: making it ever more relevant to the surgeons who serve under its banner, to the country that depends on us, and above all, to the patients who are the reason we exist at all.

Mabuhay ang Philippine College of Surgeons. Mabuhay ang mga Siruhanong Pilipino!



RODNEY B. DOFITAS, MD, FPCS
Vice President and Overall Chairman
Committee on Conventions

As we celebrate the **90th Foundation Week of the Philippine College of Surgeons**, we celebrate not only our rich history, but the values that continue to unite us as a College.

This year's activities reflect the many dimensions of our calling—service, fellowship, wellness, faith, and stewardship. From the National Surgical Outreach Program to community initiatives, and even our environmental activities, we are reminded that the surgeon's hands are instruments of service not only in healing patients, but also in protecting our communities, our environment, and the biodiversity entrusted to our care.

The Healing Mass holds a special significance as we pause to give thanks and reflect on how, through our skills and vocation, we are being used as instruments in His healing ministry. It is a reminder that our work is ultimately a service to something greater than ourselves.

The Gala Dinner will culminate and commemorate these festivities—honoring the College's journey, recognizing our distinguished surgeons, and celebrating the people who continue to shape its future. It will also mark this historic 90th year through the unveiling of the 90th Jubilee Torch and the PCS Commemorative Watch, as well as the launch of our coffee table book, *Kalayag*, preserving the story and legacy of our shared journey.

As we move beyond 90 years, may we continue to honor our past, serve in the present, and carry the College forward with unity, excellence, compassion, and purpose.



RODOLFO G. TUASON JR., MD, FPCS
Chair, Board of Governors

PCS 90TH FOUNDATION ANNIVERSARY

The Philippine College of Surgeons (PCS) marks its **90th Founding Anniversary** on September 12, 2026. Nine decades have passed since Dr. Gregorio T. Singian convened a historic meeting of 34 distinguished Filipino physicians at San Juan de Dios Hospital on Calle Real in Intramuros, leading to the establishment of the College. For the past 90 years, PCS has remained steadfast in its commitment to advancing surgical education and research, upholding ethical practice, fostering fellowship, and promoting the highest standards of surgical care throughout the country.

To commemorate this landmark occasion, the College launched a 12-day series of activities leading up to its anniversary. The countdown began on September 1 with the fifth PCS National Surgical Outreach Day, held under the theme, “PCS @90: Pambansang Libreng Operasyon Handog ng Philippine College of Surgeons.” Across the country, PCS surgeons and surgical residents-in-training from 156 participating medical institutions performed a wide range of surgical procedures free of charge.

Other commemorative activities include the Shoreline and Seabed Cleanup of Balayan Bay and the Verde Island Passage—a tribute to Mother Earth and an expression of PCS surgeons' commitment to the overall well-being of the nation; a Healing Mass for the “Healers,” offered for patients and for healers who themselves bear wounds; and a Nutritional Feeding Program at the Asociación de Damas de Filipinas, through which PCS will share nourishing meals with orphans and other children under the institution's care. Various other events including camaraderie sports activities will also be held.

The 12-day celebration will culminate in the 90th Foundation Anniversary Gala Dinner on September 12 at Edsa Shangri-La, Manila. During the gala, outstanding PCS Fellows will be honored and special anniversary projects will be launched. The evening celebration will conclude with the traditional anniversary toast, led by PCS Vice President Dr. Rodney Dofitas.

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FOUNDATION WEEK SCHEDULE 2026

01 TUESDAY	National Surgical Outreach Program (Simultaneous Cutting) ● PCS Information and Coordination Office ●08:00AM
02 WEDNESDAY	CAMARADERIE GOLF ● Comp Agriatista Golf Course ●08:00AM
04 FRIDAY	ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS SCUBA DIVING ● Solana Dive Resort, Mobili, Anilao, Batangas ●07:00AM
05 SATURDAY	PCS 2026 FUN SHOOT ● Batangasguno Golfers (Living Range & Resorts), Lipa City, Batangas ●08:00AM - 05:00PM
06 SUNDAY	HEALING MASS FOR THE HEALERS ● Veterans Memorial Medical Center Chapel ●08:00AM - 12:30PM
03 THURSDAY	
07 MONDAY	
08 TUESDAY	
REST DAYS	

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09 WEDNESDAY	NUTRITIONAL FEEDING PROGRAM ● Asociación de Damas de Filipinas, Pasig, Manila ●02:00PM
09 WEDNESDAY	HUMAN MONOGRAM ● Ospital ng Maynila Helpod ●04:00PM
09 WEDNESDAY	MOU SIGNING WITH CITY OF MANILA & OSPITAL NG MAYNILA MEDICAL CENTER ● Ospital ng Maynila Medical Center ●05:30PM
10 THURSDAY	PCS RESIDENTS AND FELLOWS IN TRAINING GOT TALENT S2 ● PCS, Cardinal Medical Center, San Juan City ●06:00PM
11 FRIDAY	NATIONAL STOP THE BLEED & BLOODLETTING ACTIVITY ● PCS Information and Coordination Office, PCS Bldg. ●08:00AM
12 SATURDAY	90TH FOUNDATION DAY GALA DINNER ● Marquee Tent, Edsa Shangri-La Manila ●07:00PM

90 years

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Home of the Filipino Surgeon
1936-2026

