



Dear Readers,

*Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh!!!*

As the President of the Philippine Society of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to this edition of our Philippine Journal of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery.

Each issue represents not just a collection of articles, but a vibrant tapestry of knowledge, research and innovation in the ever-evolving field of medicine. In these pages, you will find contributions from esteemed colleagues and experts who are dedicated to advancing our understanding of health and disease.

In this issue, we highlight key articles on otolaryngology-head and neck surgery including studies on hearing loss in high-risk newborns, Eustachian tube dimensions in Filipino adults, and the diagnostic accuracy of STOP-BANG score in detecting obstructive sleep apnea. We also feature innovative simulation training models and case reports on various ENT conditions and surgical techniques.

As a valued member of our community, we invite you to submit your own research or articles for future issues. Your contributions will help shape the future of medicine.

We strive to foster collaboration, promote evidence-based practices and share diverse perspectives on the challenges we face in healthcare. Your participation is vital in making this a rich resource for all.

As we move forward together, I want to express my gratitude for your commitment to our mission. Your dedication to advancing medical science and improving patient outcomes inspire us all.

I look forward to seeing how our collective efforts will continue to shape the future of medicine.

Thank you for being a part of our community.

Happy reading!

Warmest regards,

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