

## Dutch Caribbean Heart Days 2025

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### Venue:

Ballroom of the Renaissance Wind Creek Hotel  
Curaçao

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Dutch Caribbean Heart Days Curaçao

### 16-18 January 2025



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Dear Colleagues,

In April 2024 the boards of the Netherlands Heart Days (NHD) and Netherlands-Caribbean Foundation for Clinical Higher Education (NASKHO) initiated the 1<sup>st</sup> annual Dutch Caribbean Heart Days following 15 years of Netherlands Heart Days (NHD) on Curaçao. With the DCHD, a strong educational platform in (cardiovascular) radiology and cardiology is created for the Caribbean region and South- America, but also for North America and Europe.

It is with pleasure that we announce the 2<sup>nd</sup> Dutch Caribbean Heart Days to be held January 16 – 18, 2025, in the Ballroom of the Renaissance Hotel in Willemstad, Curaçao.

The meeting will feature a spectrum from basic principles towards (advanced) clinical applications and scientific innovations. As part of the main program, an evening session is organized with interesting topics for GP's, which can also separately be followed by GP's.

Moreover, the program will be appealing for pulmonologists, pediatric cardiologists, internal medicine MD's, residents and technicians. Besides topical sessions covering the clinical implications of the findings, the technical aspects and imaging protocols, top-notch scientific content on cardiac imaging will be addressed. Most sessions will feature examples of actual clinical cases and how novel techniques, methods and interventions can be used to better diagnose and treat patients with a variety of diseases affecting the heart.

The congenial and collaborative atmosphere of the congress offers excellent opportunities for networking and jumpstarting multicenter collaborations and research projects within and over the continents.

Save the date and come join us in Curaçao!

Boards of NASKHO and NHD



## PROGRAM

### Thursday 16 January 2025

**08.15 – 08.30**  
Official opening

**08.30 – 09.30**  
**Session 1: CT & CMR Basics**  
2023 ESC Guidelines on Cardiomyopathies  
Basic Principles of Cardiovascular CT  
Basic Principles of Cardiovascular MRI

**09.30 – 10.00 Coffee break**

**10.00 – 11.00**  
**Session 2: Cardiovascular Imaging (CVI) in (Sub)Acute Settings**  
Aortic Dissection  
Value of CMR in OHCA  
Myocarditis

**11.00 – 12.00**  
**Session 3: Valvular Disease**  
Ultrasound  
CT & MRI  
What do I need - Local Perspective

**12.00 – 13.30 Lunch**

**13.30 – 14.30**  
**Session 4: Intervention**  
Interventions on Curaçao  
PCI  
Ablations

**14.30 – 15.30**  
**Session 5: Cases**  
CT  
MRI  
Ultrasound

**15.30 – 15.45 Meet the expert**

**18.30 – 20.30**  
**Session Imaging for General Practitioners (GPs) and Nurses**  
Hypertension & LVH  
ECG Indication and Interpretation for GPs  
Atrial Fibrillation  
Pulmonary Embolectomy  
TAVI  
Ethnic Differences of Cardiovascular Disease

## PROGRAM

### Friday 17 January 2025

**08.15 – 08.30**  
Walk in

**08.30 – 09.30**  
**Session 7: Basic Principles of Cardiac Ultrasound & Nuclear Medicine**  
Basic Principles of Cardiovascular Ultrasound  
Clinical Indications for Cardiac Ultrasound  
Basic Principles of Cardiovascular Nuclear Imaging

**09.30 – 10.00 Coffee break**

**10.00 – 11.00**  
**Session 8: Imaging of Myocardial Ischaemia**  
PET/SPECT  
FFRct  
CMR

**11.00 – 12.00**  
**Session 9: Inflammation**  
Cardiac Sarcoidosis and Other Inflammatory Disease  
Ultrasound in Endocarditis  
PET/CT Infection and Inflammation

**12.00 – 13.30 Lunch**

**13.30 – 14.30**  
**Session 10: Non-Ischemic Cardiomyopathies**  
Athletes Heart versus Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy  
Amyloidosis  
Dilated and Non-Compaction Cardiomyopathies

**14.30 – 15.30**  
**Session 11: Cases**  
Nuclear  
Ultrasound  
CT

**15.30 – 15.45 Meet the expert**

Accreditation will be obtained.  
**Previous Accreditation 2024:**  
*Radiological Society of the Netherlands (NVvR): 18*  
*Cardiological Society of the Netherlands (NVvC): 20*  
*Society of Nuclear Medicine (NVNG): 18*

## PROGRAM

### Saturday 18 January 2025

**08.15 – 08.30**  
Walk in

**08.30 – 09.30**  
**Session 12: CMR Safety Basics**  
CMR Safety and Devices  
Contrast Agents in CMR & CTA  
Extracardiac Findings in Cardiac Imaging

**09.30 – 10.00 Coffee break**

**10.00 – 11.00**  
**Session 13: Obesity & Diabetes mellitus Type 2**  
Diabetes Imaging  
Obesity in the Caribbean  
Obesity and Hypertension

**11.00 – 12.00**  
**Session 14: Treatment of Obesity and Diabetes mellitus Type 2 in the Caribbean**  
Gastric Bypass  
Heart Rehabilitation  
Medical Treatment by the Cardiologist

**12.00 – 13.30 Lunch**

**13.30 – 14.30**  
**Session 15: Interventions**  
Device Program on Curaçao  
PCI  
Ablations

**14.30 – 15.30**  
**Session 16: Cases**  
New Stents  
Intervention  
Ablation

**15.30 – 15.45**  
Closure of the meeting