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Ballroom of the Renaissance Wind Creek Hotel Curaçao

Dear Colleagues,

It is with pleasure to announce the 4th **Dutch Caribbean Heart Days (DCHD**) to be held **January 14 – 16, 2027** in the Ballroom of the Renaissance Hotel in Willemstad, Curaçao.

With the DCHD, a strong educational platform in (cardiovascular) radiology and cardiology was created for the Caribbean region and South-America, but also for North-America and Europe.

The meeting promotes the knowledge on cardiovascular radiology and features a spectrum from basic principles towards (advanced) clinical applications and scientific innovations. Optimal and sustainable healthcare will be discussed based on regional experience (Caribbean region and South-American) as well as from Europe.

The program is also appealing for residents and technicians in radiology and (pediatric) cardiology, pulmonologists and internal medicine MD's. Technical aspects and protocols, scientific content on cardiac imaging will be addressed besides topical sessions covering the clinical implications of imaging findings. 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 cardiovascular system.

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

Save the date and come join us in Curaçao!

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For more information visit www.aanmelder.nl/nnhd

Thursday 14 January 2027

08.15 – 08.30
Official opening and Welcome

08.30 – 09.40
Session 1: Optimizing Cardiac Imaging on Mid-Range Scanners

- Patient Preparation Cardiac CT
- Scan Settings and Protocols for CT
- Scan Settings and Protocols for MRI
- Panel Discussion

09.40 – 10.10 Coffee break

10.10 – 11.10
Session 2: Imaging Aortic Disease

- Ultrasound Imaging of Aortic Disease
- From Millimeters to Management: Evaluating the Thoracic Area
- CT in Acute Aortic Disease

11.10 – 12.10
Session 3: Heart Failure

- New Heart Failure Guidelines
- Echocardiography in Heart Failure
- MRI in Heart Failure

12.10 – 13.30 Lunch

13.30 – 14.50
Session 4: First-Line Cardiovascular Patient Care in the Caribbean

- Cardiovascular Risk Management update Guideline Primary Prevention of Cardiovascular Disease
- Management of the Chronic Cardiovascular Patient
- New Cardiac Rehabilitation Guidelines In and Outside the Caribbean
- Appropriate Care in the Caribbean

15.00 – 15.30
Cardiac CT Cases

Friday 15 January 2027

08.15 – 08.30
Walk in

08.30 – 09.40
Session 5: How I Read and Report

- Cardiovascular Ultrasound
- Coronary CT
- Cardiac MRI for Ischemic Cardiomyopathy
- Panel Discussion

09.40 – 10.10 Coffee break

10.10 – 11.10
Session 6: Imaging Pediatric and Adult Patients with Congenital Cardiovascular Disease

- Cardiovascular Ultrasound
- CT, Including Necessity Sedation / Anesthesia
- MR, Including Necessity Sedation / Anesthesia / Free-Breathing Techniques

11.10 – 12.10
Session 7: Non-Coronary Percutaneous Cardiac Interventions

- Atrial Fibrillation Progression: Contemporary Assessment and Early Intervention
- Cardioneuroablation for Refractory Syncope: Indications, Technique, and Results
- Contemporary Transcatheter Mitral Interventions: TEER and Valve-in-Valve Therapy
- Percutaneous Interatrial Septal Repair: Current Applications and Emerging Techniques

12.10 – 13.30 Lunch

13.30 – 14.50
Session 8: Caribbean Patients Who Need Cardiovascular Surgery in Colombia

- Logistics on Patients Needing to go to Colombia: Air Ambulance
- Pre-surgery Management from Caribbean to Colombia
- Aortic and Mitral Valve Surgery in Colombia- Bogotá
- Myocardial Revascularization in LaCardio- Colombia, Bogotá

15.00 – 15.30
Cardiac CT Cases

Accreditation 2026:
Radiological Society of the Netherlands ***(NVvR)****:* ***15***
Cardiological Society of the Netherlands ***(NVvC)****:* ***16***
Society of Nuclear Medicine ***(NVNG)****:* ***16***

Saturday 16 January 2027

08.15 – 08.30
Walk in

08.40 – 09.40
Session 9: Interventional Procedures (in the Caribbean)

- Echocardiographic Guided Interventions
- Coronary Interventions
- Revascularization Strategies after STEMI
- TAVI

09.40 – 10.10 Coffee break

10.10 – 11.10
Session 10: AI in Cardiovascular Disease

- AI Basic Technologies
- AI in Cardiovascular Imaging
- AI for Spectral CT

11.10 – 12.10
Session 11: Systemic Aspects of Cardiovascular Disease

- Role of Cardiac Imaging in Rheumatic Heart Disease
- Diagnosis and Treatment of Cardiac Amyloidosis
- Cardiotoxic Effects of Cancer Treatment

12.10 – 13.30 Lunch

13.30 – 14.50
Session 12: Effect of Climate Change on (Cardiovascular) Health

- Climate Change from the Meteorologists' View
- Epidemiology and the Exposome of Cardiovascular Disease
- Managing Climate Change for the Ageing Caribbean Patient
- How do Radiology Departments Reduce Their Environmental Footprint

14.50 – 15.00
Closure of the meeting
Prof. H.J. Lamb, MD, PhD, LUMC, Leiden, NL