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Wilms Cancer Foundation Strengthens International Pediatric Oncology Collaboration Following SIOP 2026 Conferences in San Antonio, Texas

Foundation sponsors dedicated Wilms tumor scientific session at SIOP North America–SLAOP Conference and advances global dialogue on childhood kidney cancer research, treatment, education and patient advocacy

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The Wilms Cancer Foundation (WCF) is pleased to reflect on its participation in two important international pediatric oncology meetings held in San Antonio, Texas: the joint SIOP North America–Sociedad Latinoamericana de Oncología Pediátrica (SLAOP) Conference, September 13–14, and the 58th Congress of the International Society of Paediatric Oncology (SIOP 2026), September 15–18.

Bringing together leading pediatric oncologists, scientists, healthcare professionals, advocacy organizations and international childhood cancer stakeholders, the conferences provided an important opportunity to strengthen cross-border collaboration and examine advances in the prevention, diagnosis, treatment and long-term management of childhood cancers.

WCF Sponsors Dedicated Wilms Tumor Scientific Session

A significant highlight of the Foundation's involvement was its official sponsorship of the SIOP North America–SLAOP Conference and a dedicated scientific session titled *Treatment for Wilms Tumor Across SLAOP and SIOP-NA Settings: Current Status and Future Directions*.

The session brought together specialists from North and Latin America to examine the current challenges, emerging opportunities and differences in treatment approaches for Wilms tumor, the most common form of childhood kidney cancer.

Moderated by Dr. James Geller, the session programme included presentations from Dr. Jeffrey Dome on treatment challenges in North America and Dr. Joaquim Caetano de Aguirre Neto on approaches across Latin America. The programme also featured WCF Founder and a WCF contribution representing patient and parent perspectives, highlighting the importance of incorporating lived experience into international childhood cancer discussions.

WCF's sponsorship reflected its commitment to strengthening cooperation between healthcare professionals, researchers and patient advocacy organizations, particularly in regions where differences in healthcare resources and access to specialist care can significantly affect treatment outcomes.

Advancing Global Wilms Tumor Education and Innovation

The conferences also provided a valuable platform for promoting the Foundation's broader international programmes, including the Global Wilms Tumor Initiative™, its expanding multilingual educational resources, the International Wilms Tumor Knowledge Index™, and the WCF WebApp™, which provides accessible digital information and support for families and healthcare professionals.

These initiatives reflect the Foundation's growing emphasis on combining international partnerships, evidence-based education and emerging technologies to improve access to reliable childhood kidney cancer information worldwide.

Building a More Connected Global Community

Participation in SIOP 2026 and the SIOP North America–SLAOP Conference further reinforced the importance of collaboration between established pediatric oncology research networks, healthcare institutions, patient organizations and international advocacy groups.

For the Wilms Cancer Foundation, supporting these international discussions forms an important part of its wider mission to ensure that childhood kidney cancer remains a priority in global cancer research, treatment innovation and healthcare development.

The Foundation looks forward to building on these connections and supporting continued international progress in Wilms tumor care, research, education and advocacy.

About the Wilms Cancer Foundation

The **Wilms Cancer Foundation** is an international childhood kidney cancer organisation dedicated to improving awareness, education, support, research communication and global collaboration for children and families affected by Wilms tumor.

Through the **Global Wilms Tumor Initiative™** and its international programmes, WCF works to expand access to trusted information, strengthen patient and caregiver education, support healthcare professional engagement and address inequalities in childhood kidney cancer outcomes worldwide.

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