

## Venezuelan League Against Epilepsy 2021-2022 Report

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### ACTIVITIES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

This period, very complex for the country, subjected to a terrible economic recession, with shortages of food, basic services such as electricity (absent for hours and even days in some places), shortages in the water service, among others, are causes that contribute to the total deterioration of our population. The lack of hospital care, with technical closure of some of them, or non-operational due to lack of supplies, lack of specialists in the area of Adult Neurology and Child Neurology, and the migration of more than 6 million inhabitants, as well as the imposition of the MIC (Medicos Integrales Comunitarios) who trained virtually for one year and were placed in various areas of the country, including the capital, Caracas, forced us to redouble our efforts and continue with MAE DONATIVES, but implementing shipments to different States of the country, committing neurologists, both adults and children where there are, to establish an educational exchange plan, with a basic course in epilepsy, which will include general practitioners, specialists, nurses and even the MIC, since they are the ones who occupy the rural areas and including medicines located in small towns on the outskirts of Caracas and in the interior of the country. All of this was aggravated by the great repression exercised by the government when rejecting medicines from the USA, with the threat of imprisonment that also forced us to deal with National Guard officials to avoid their confiscation, seeing that we were transporting medicines.

#### Chapter Apure

We highlight the work carried out in the Apure State, in the south of the country, by Drs. Amalia Abreu and Rocío Ospina who actively participate in the delivery of MAE, giving consultation and advice to patients and participated in Scientific Conferences of the Hospital Dr. Pablo Acosta

Ortiz, San Fernando de Apure. On that occasion, Dr. Francisco Rattia participated with a talk on Status Epilepticus, Diagnosis and Treatment. However, this period has been greatly interrupted, not only due to the Coronavirus Pandemic and its variants, but also due to the severity of electrical failures and problems with transportation due to lack of fuel.

### **Chapter Carabobo**

In the University and Assistance postgraduate courses, where the students are in permanent training and there are Epilepsy Units, such as the Enrique Tejera Hospital City (Universidad de Carabobo), Valencia, support has been given, with graduate thesis consultancies in the lines of research on quality of life in epilepsy, whose organizer, Dr. Sandra Mendoza, adult neurologist and member of LIVECE. This professional controls the distribution of AEDs, gives talks on epilepsy in adults, in its different etiologies, and has maintained continuity in the research projects.

The same in Valencia, in the Neuropediatrics area, Dr. Mariela Polo, member of LIVECE, has given talks for Pediatric Neurologists at the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Carabobo. She participated in the LXVIII Venezuelan Congress of Child Care and Pediatrics, Dr. Jesús Eduardo Meza Benítez, with the theme "New concepts of Epilepsy"

Both professionals are in charge of the donations from the MAE, they have been delivered in the consultations and the patients have received care, advice and medicines. There is also a Continuing Education program in Neuropediatrics, via a Megalabs Webinar through the SVP, which has favored the dissemination of the topic of Epilepsy.

Efforts have been made so that there is participation in topics about Epilepsy, in local Congresses organized by the Venezuelan Society of Child Care and Pediatrics, held on 29 September 2022.

### **Chapter Merida**

Dr. Susana Chuecos, from the City of Mérida, is the Neurologist, who participates in support for LIVECE with the delivery and protection of the MAE, but the repressive situation keeps that State isolated, and activities have been seriously affected, as well as the operation of the Hospital.

### **Chapter Nueva Esparta**

The shipment of MAE to Margarita Island has been achieved through the colleague from the State of Anzoátegui, Dr. Pilar Marcano, who assumed the risk of the transfer, favoring at least being able to mitigate the absence of MAE in the area.

Dr. Enrique Ordaz and Dr. Simón Gómez, Members of LIVECE, have continued the work of supervising the delivery of AEDs, counseling and care for patients with Epilepsy. Conversations have been achieved with discussion of cases, and talks on Definition, classification and therapeutic approach incorporating nurses and health professionals.

### **Chapter Portuguesa**

We hold specific talks according to the proven causes, such as Cysticercosis, in Guanare, Portuguesa State (endemic area), with a high incidence of focal seizures due to cerebral cysticercosis.

Talks were given to the population in rural areas of the Biscucuy region, Chabasquén, under the direction of Dr. Nelson Ramos, Member of the LIVECE Board of Directors, as well as patient care, advice and delivery of MAE, with the support of the remaining 3 neurologists from the area and participation from nearby States, where Barinas stands out, with Dr. Coralía Mujica who is incorporated into the AED delivery program, counseling and control of patients with Epilepsy, as well as Dr. Lisbeth Mendoza in the Acarigua area.

We also made alliances in other regions of the interior of the country, where our specialists, members of LIVECE, participated giving talks on the different acute symptomatic causes, such as stroke, infections, cardiac conditions such as atrial fibrillation, head injuries, bruises, tumors, etc. epileptic status. All of this aimed at increasing knowledge of epilepsy among professionals from other specialties.

### **Chapter Zulia**

In the state of Zulia, Maracaibo, Dr. Aura Pernía, Member of LIVECE, performs the Epilepsy consultation at the University Hospital of Maracaibo, and also gives advice, as well as delivery of MAE, exchanging information with professionals from different specialties.

### **Chapter Caracas**

LIVECE supports the advice and review of research programs in Epilepsy in Caracas and in different states. He has guided the creation of Ethics Committees in Hospitals that have Lines of Research.

A virtual course on "Contemporary Research" consisting of 3 modules was taught on 28 October 2021, 4 November 2021 and 11 November 2021 in order to stimulate work in the area of epilepsy.

In Caracas, the Miguel Pérez Carreño Hospital maintains postgraduate care, with permanent training on the subject of epilepsy, under the direction of Dr. Víctor Hugo Jaime, Head of the Pediatric and Pediatric Neurology Service, Member of the LIVECE Board of Directors, establishing direct communication and advisory consultations and planning of degree thesis on topics related to Epilepsy.

The academic program is developed throughout the year, with rotation of residents in areas of neurophysiology. Video EEG monitoring. And conventional electroencephalography.

The presentation and discussion of clinical cases in Epilepsy is carried out weekly, as well as talks with the patient and family every 3 months, monthly talks in the hospital and in outpatient clinics aimed at doctors of different specialties and health professionals.

Social and recreational integration activities are carried out for people with epilepsy, organized with the help of Neuropsychologists and Educational Psychologists, as well as social workers from the unit.

The participation of residents in the consultations of the Venezuelan League against Epilepsy had to be suspended for the 2020/2021 period due to provisional technical closure of the LIVECE headquarters due to the death of 4 members of the Venezuelan League Against Epilepsy, where the death of the psychiatrist, the treasurer, death of the daughter and husband of the secretary stand out; the latter with SARS II, Covid 19, positive and symptomatic, leaving with respiratory sequelae. This administratively forced to suspend consultation actions until all these facts were overcome.

## **RESEARCH AND PUBLISHED ARTICLES**

- Calidad de Vida en Epilepsia (Quality of Life in Epilepsy)
- Crisis Convulsiva como consecuencia de la Suspensión Involuntaria de MAE (Convulsive Crisis as a consequence of the Involuntary Suspension of MAE)

## **MEETINGS**

Monthly by virtual way (Google Meet)

## **CHALLENGES FACED IN 2021 AND 2022**

Starved country. Eroded. Without resources and without basic services. No drugs. Severe malnutrition. Close national laboratories. Blocking of imported medicines. Lack of fuel to move. As well as the threat of a variant of coronavirus at the door.

These are some of the challenges that the Venezuelan Medical Corps has been facing to fulfill its mission.

## **FUTURE PLANS FOR 2023**

LIVECE, in alliance with the Metropolitan Chapter of the Venezuelan Society of Neurology, works to carry out Epilepsy Week, in 2023, which will be face-to-face, with academic activities for pediatric neurology professionals. Adult neurology. Where specialist doctors in different areas will be invited.

There will also be a day of conferences, open to the public and family members in person. And with extension to the whole country through specialists in the different states, recreational activities will be carried out in a National Park with walks and delivery of antiepileptic drugs, as well as informative bulletins for the population.

This period represents a unique challenge, since it may represent the approval of the Epileptic Protection Law introduced in the National Congress since 2011 and revised again in 2015, since it was considered included in the current Law for the Disabled, making an appeal and

demonstration of the difference between a disabled person and an epileptic, who can be inserted in society if he is adequately controlled and medicated, guaranteeing adequate primary care sites, delivery of medicines by the Social Security Institute, and the possibility to have private insurance if they so decide, without them being able to refuse to admit them.

*Report submitted by the Liga Venezolana contra la Epilepsia*



## **Liga Venezolana Contra la Epilepsia**

### **Informe 2021 - 2022**

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**I** Curso de Actualización En  
**Medicina Interna**

**22**  
octubre

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San Fernando  
de Apure



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**Actualizaciones en:**

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BLOQUE 1	9:00	Palabras de Apertura		
	9:05	Himno Nacional de Venezuela, Himno de la SVPP		
	9:10	Parablas de Bienvenida		
	9:15	Mi hijo vomita ¿Qué debo hacer? Dr. Fernando Delpretti - Gastroenterólogo Pediatra	Cumaná	On-Line
BLOQUE 2	9:30	Albendazol... ¡Viejo pero bueno! Uso en Pediatría Dra. Nina Colina - Gastroenterólogo Pediatra	Caracas	Presencial
	9:45	Nuevas tendencias en el metabolismo de hierro y nuevas dosificaciones en niños y adolescentes Dra. Phyllis Jean Siu - Hematólogo Pediatra	Caracas	Presencial
	10:00	SESION DE PREGUNTAS		
	10:15	Dermatitis por contacto en niños: ¿Quién es el culpable? Dra. Alicia Longo - Dermatólogo	Caracas	Presencial
BLOQUE 3	10:30	Dolor en niños: ¿Qué hay de nuevo? Dr. Huanides Urbina-Medina - Pediatra	Caracas	Presencial
	10:45	Utilidad de la Solución salina Nasal en niños y adolescentes Dra. Nelly Mayo - Neumónologo Pediatra	Cumaná	On-Line
	11:00	SESION DE PREGUNTAS		
	11:15	Actualidad en la prevención de Ceguera Infantil por Retinopatía de la Prematuridad (ROP) Dra. Maria Alejandra Rodriguez - Oftalmólogo Retinólogo Pediatra	Caracas	Presencial
	11:30	¿Está mi hijo correctamente vacunado?	Caracas	Presencial
	11:45	Nuevos conceptos de Epilepsia Dra. Marielena Polo - Neuropediatra	Caracas	Presencial
	12:15	Palabras de Cierre - Invitación para el día Jueves 29 de Septiembre 2022		

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No.	Fecha	Identificacion (Iniciales)	Edad	Sexo
1	04-11-20	DJP	8 años	M
2	04-11-20	JJB	26años	M
3	05-11-20	YMG	29 años	F
4	10-2020	OH	19 años	F
5	11-11-20	DL	27 años	F
6	12-11-20	RT	56 años	M
7	12-11-20	MM	19 años	F
8	13-11-20	MCH	48 años	F
9	19-11-20	JAR	56 años	M
10	20-11-20	PR	12 años	F
11	04-12-20	JGC	39 años	M
12	08-12-20	EM	19 años	F
13	08-12-20	TA	72 años	F
14	07-12-20	AF	15 años	F
15	11-12-20	LF	43 años	M
16	11-12-20	RS	21 años	F
17	15-12-20	ML	34 años	F
18	15-12-20	EY	61 años	F
19	17-12-20	DP	40 años	F
20	12-01-21	JRV	81 años	M
21	12-01-21	RG	75 años	M
22	13-01-21	JB	28 años	F
23	19-01-21	GG	49 años	F
24	19-01-21	RP	65 años	F
25	20-01-21	RB	55 años	M
26	20-01-21	SG	12 años	F
27	20-01-21	YP	41 años	F
28	08-02-21	NE	44 años	F
29	08-02-21	RPC	50 años	F
30	08-02-21	NJEG	34 años	F
31	09-02-21	ALFC	46 años	M
32	10-02-21	YPP	40 años	F
33	25-02-21	SBGQ	12 años	F
34	01-03-21	JRV	81 años	M
35	02-03-21	AF	40 años	M
36	03-03-21	MB	29 años	F
37	03-03-21	CM	67 años	F
38	04-03-21	EA	61 años	F
39	16-03-21	MB	23 años	F
40	16-03-21	LP	22 años	F
41	17-03-21	AS	44 años	F
42	18-03-21	AG	23 años	F
43	24-03-21	YM	21 años	F
44	06-04-21	HS	12 años	M
45	06-04-21	AF	50 años	F
46	20-04-21	LR	40 años	F
47	28-04-21	FM	74 años	F
48	10-05-21	NB	32 años	F
49	11-05-21	PS	15 años	M
50	13-05-21	MF	30 años	F

Diagnostico	Cantidad entregada (cajas)
Epilepsia generalizada	5 cajas
Epilepsia parcial simple	8 cajas
Crisis focal secund. generalizada	4 cajas
Crisis de ausencia	3 cajas
Epilepsia Generalizada	5 cajas
Epilepsia post. traumatica	4 cajas
Epilepsia Generalizada	12 cajas
Epilepsia Generalizada	15 cajas
Epilepsia Generaliz-C de Ausencia	8 cajas
Crisis Mioclonicas	10 cajas
Sx. Convulsivo- crisis toinico-clonic	11 cajas
Epilepsia Generalizada	10 cajas
Sx. convulsivo - Enf Bipolar	8 cajas
Epilepsia Generalizada	10 cajas
Epilepsia parcial simple	15 cajas
Epilepsia Generalizada	8 cajas
Epilepsia Generalizada	8 cajas
Epilepsia secuela post ACV	8 cajas
Epilepsia Generalizada	6 cajas
Epilepsia Parcial	12 cajas
Crisis de ausencia	15 cajas
Epilepsia Gen. C de ausencia	8 cajas
Epilepsia parcial	10 cajas
Epilepsia Generalizada	12 cajas
Epilepsia Generalizada	9 cajas
Epilepsia Generalizada	8 cajas
Crisis de ausencia	8 cajas
Epilepsia Gen- ausencias	10 cajas
Epilepsia Generalizada	6 cajas
Crisis de ausencias	8 cajas
Sl. convulsivo generalizando	6 cajas
Crisis de ausencia	8 cajas
Epilepsia Generalizada	10 cajas
Epilepsia Generalizada	8 cajas
Sx. convulsivo focal	8 cajas
Sx. convulsivo generalizado	10 cajas
Sx. convulsivo - Enf Bipolar	8 cajas
Crisis de ausencia	10 cajas
Epilepsia Generalizada	20 cajas
Epilepsia Generalizada	8 cajas
Sx. Convulsivo	8 cajas
Sx. Convulsivo	7 cajas
Epilepsia Generalizada	10 cajas
Epilepsia Generalizada	18 cajas
Epilepsia Generalizada	18 cajas
Crisis mioclonicas	20 cajas
Epilepsia parcial	8 cajas
Sx. convulsivo generalizado	6 cajss
Epilepsia Generalizada	7 cajas
Sx. convulsivo generalizado	8 cajas

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### MÓDULO I

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Prof. Josefa de  
Jesús Orfila.

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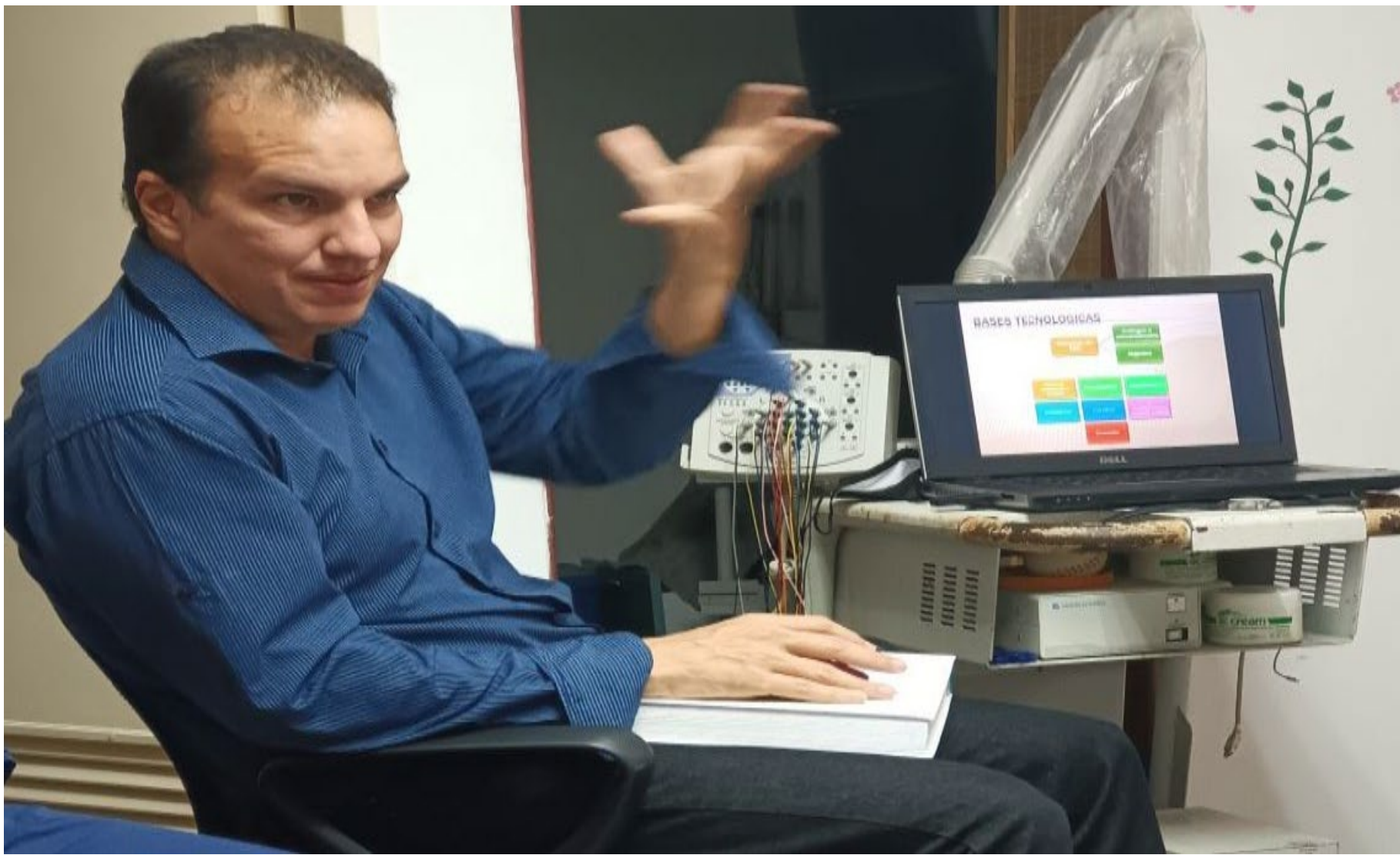




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