

Hello,

We hope you are finalizing plans for travel to Galveston, Texas, for the upcoming PREBIC North America Branch Meeting on October 17-19th. 2022. Below please find helpful information regarding this upcoming event.

Traveling from IAH or HOU to Galveston

- Cruise terminal shuttles (<https://galvestonexpress.com/galveston-taxi-rates-schedule/>) from IAH or Hobby to travel to Galveston.
 - From the terminal, take an Uber to Grand Galvez Hotel (Approximate total cost will be between \$ 50-75).
- Uber, Lyft, and Taxis are also available to and from the two Houston area airports (HOU and IAH) to Galveston. Approximate cost ~\$100-150.
- Rental cars
 - Grand Galvez Hotel offers only valet parking. Limited street parking may also be available.

Hotel Reservations at the Grand Galvez, 2024 Seawall Blvd, Galveston, TX 77550

Hotel check-in will be Sunday afternoon (October 16th). When you check in, you will receive breakfast (3 vouchers; 7 am - 8 am) and a dinner voucher (this coupon maybe applied towards your dinner) from the hotel check-in desk.

Your registration fee will cover the cost of the rooms for three nights of Oct 16th, 17th, and 18th.

If you would like to extend your stay or change your reservations or change rooms, please get in touch with the reservation desk at the Galvez. Any additional charges related to changes will be participant's responsibility.

PREBIC will have a registration table in the lobby (October 16th) where you can sign into the conference and receive your PREBIC bag with event information.

Shuttle services on the day of the meetings

Meeting venue – “Open Gates“ 2419 Sealy Ave, Galveston, TX 77550. The meeting venue is 1 mile from the hotel. PREBIC has arranged shuttle services.

PREBIC will provide two shuttle services from the Galvez Hotel to Open Gates on the mornings of October 17th – October 19th (8 am and 8:15 am departure) and will return at the end of each day (October 17th: 6 pm and 6:15 pm; October 18th: 5 pm and 5:15 pm; October 19th: 11 am and 11:15 am).

Meeting rooms

Morning session meetings will be at Open Gates main conference room, and working groups will meet in the following rooms:

- **Integrative physiology of pregnancy and pathways of parturition** – First floor - Room 101
- **Biomarkers of preterm birth and necessity for high-risk screening** – Second floor - Room 203
- **Clinical interventions and commercialization** – First floor - Sunroom

- **Nutrition and environment** – Second floor - Room 204
- **Disparity, epidemiology, and defining phenotypes of preterm birth** – Second floor - Room 201

You should hear from your working group facilitators shortly regarding discussion topics for the upcoming meeting.

We look forward to seeing you soon, and please contact us if you have any questions.

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