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A physician who specializes in internal and tropical medicine, and infectious diseases, Dr. Edsel Salvaña has been recognized globally for his efforts to boost awareness and treatment of HIV and AIDS.

Salvaña established the first Philippine HIV and AIDS fellowship program to increase care for patients afflicted with HIV and AIDS, and is project leader of an online genome library to track Philippine H1N1 online. He has taken his HIV and AIDS advocacy to the international stage, delivering educational, action-oriented speeches about the epidemic to the United Nations and the U.S. Peace Corps.

For his work in tropical medicine, Salvaña was selected as an Outstanding Young Scientist for 2010 by the National Academy of Science and Technology. In the same year, his work on medicine and social activism in HIV was recognized when he was chosen as one of The Outstanding Young Men of the Philippines. JCI International also named him one of the Ten Outstanding Young Persons of the World for 2012 for humanitarian and voluntary leadership for the tremendous national and international impact of his HIV advocacy.

Salvaña is an associate professor of medicine at the Philippine General Hospital and is assistant director and research faculty at the Institute of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology at the National Institutes of Health. He is also adjunct faculty for Global Health at the University of Pittsburgh. He has authored more than 40 peer-reviewed papers published in international journals, textbooks and conferences.