

19th Annual Conference on **EMERGENCIES & CHALLENGES IN PRIMARY CARE**

*Including topics on: Cardiac Dilemmas, Oral & Dental Emergencies,
Toxicology, Pneumonia, Sexually Transmitted Infections,
Sports Medicine, Skin Cancer, and much more...*

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CONFERENCE DESCRIPTION

Our **19th Annual Conference on Emergencies & Challenges in Primary Care** has been designed to provide physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, nurses, and other health care professionals involved in primary care with evidence-based information on commonly encountered office dilemmas and emergencies, and offers current approaches to clinical management. The goal of this conference is to increase knowledge and enhance the competence of attendees. Emphasis will be placed on practical application of the evidence-based topics presented.

Topics for this year's conference have been selected based on the educational needs determined from the identified professional practice gaps. The gaps were derived from a variety of sources including evaluations and outcomes data from past participants; clinical expert input; Symposia Medicus' online survey; and other medical and nursing data.

Conference format will include didactic lectures, case studies, and question and answer sessions.

An outstanding faculty has been assembled for this conference. Each member was selected based on their individual area of expertise and ability to communicate current, evidence-based, and practical information to participants.

You are sure to enjoy our **19th Annual Conference on Emergencies & Challenges in Primary Care** while sharing ideas and experiences with colleagues from across the country, amidst the excitement of New York City during the holiday season.

CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES

As a result of participating in this conference, you should have increased knowledge and enhanced competence to...

- Describe the limitations of morphine and furosemide in the management of cardiogenic pulmonary edema
- Recognize the role of preventive conditioning in the pediatric and adolescent athlete
- Apply up-to-date clinical interventions for the identification and treatment of community and healthcare-associated pneumonia
- Identify and treat common oral and dental emergencies, including pericoronitis and alveolar osteitis
- Recognize high-risk skin lesions requiring biopsy
- Incorporate recent toxicology literature and research in the treatment of your patients
- Recognize manifestations of STIs and implement updated treatment regimens

ACCREDITATION

This educational activity was planned and produced in accordance with the **ACCME** and **ANCC** Essentials and Standards relating to continuing medical and nursing education.

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Successful completion of this activity will be determined by the submission of an attendance verification form. At the conclusion of participating in this conference, participants are entitled to a certificate of credit. Each participant should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT

Physicians

Symposia Medicus designates this live activity for a maximum of **12 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™**. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

AAFP

This Live activity, 19th Annual Conference on Emergencies & Challenges in Primary Care, with a beginning date of 12/18/2015, has been reviewed and is acceptable for up to 12.00 Prescribed credit(s) by the American Academy of Family Physicians. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

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Approved by the American College of Emergency Physicians for a maximum of 12.00 hour(s) of ACEP Category I credit.

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NCCPA accepts certificates of participation for educational activities certified for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™ from organizations accredited by ACCME or a recognized state medical society. Physician assistants may receive a maximum of 12 hours of Category 1 credit for completing this program.

Nurse Practitioners/Nurses

The **ANCC** contact hours awarded for completion of this conference are 12.

Provider is also approved by the **California Board of Registered Nursing**, Provider #CEP2335, for 14.4 contact hours.

Pharmacology Credit for Prescriptive Authority

A maximum of 2 hours in pharmacology credit for prescriptive authority may be earned by attending this educational conference. Sessions awarding pharmacology credit for prescriptive authority are denoted with an Rx in the schedule.

EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

Each registrant will have online access to presentation handouts. **The handouts will be available for download approximately two weeks prior to the conference (you'll receive an email with instructions).** If you wish to receive a hard copy of the handouts, please check the box on the registration form in this brochure.

If you bring your tablet/laptop to the conference, be aware that there are no electrical outlets at the conference tables. **Make sure your tablet/laptop is fully charged each day.**

If you are unable to attend this conference, extra copies of the handouts (either paper or digital copy) will be available one week after the conference. The cost is \$60 for a hard copy and \$25 for the digital copy. To place your order, please email publications@symposiamedicus.org.

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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Friday, December 18

- 7:00am Registration & Check-in
During Continental Breakfast
- 8:00 **Welcome & Introduction**
Amal Mattu, MD
- 8:15 **Critical Decisions in the Management of Severe Headaches**
(Rx = 20 minutes)
Fredrick M. Abrahamian, DO
- 9:00 **Winning at Failure!: Modern Management of Cardiogenic Pulmonary Edema**
Amal Mattu, MD
- 9:45 **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 10:15 Break
- 10:30 **Oral & Dental Emergencies for the Primary Care Provider**
Joseph R. Lex, Jr., MD
- 11:15 **STI Manifestations & New Treatment Guidelines**
(Rx = 30 minutes)
Laura J. Mulcahy, FNP-BC, MSN
- Noon **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 12:30pm Lunch Break (on your own)
- 2:00 **Toxicology Update: The Most Important Research That Will Affect Your Practice**
(Rx = 15 minutes)
Robert S. Hoffman, MD
- 2:45 **An Update on Community-Acquired Pneumonia in Adults** (Rx = 30 minutes)
Fredrick M. Abrahamian, DO
- 3:30 **Abdominal Pain in the Elderly: Mythology & Mortality**
Amal Mattu, MD
- 4:15 **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 5:00 Adjourn for the Day

Saturday, December 19

- 7:30am Continental Breakfast
- 8:00 **Unrecognized Killers in Emergency Electrocardiography**
Amal Mattu, MD
- 8:45 **Aches & Pains: Arthritis, Arthralgia, and Other Common Presentations**
(Rx = 15 minutes)
Joseph R. Lex, Jr., MD
- 9:30 **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 10:00 Break (hotel check-out, if applicable)
- 10:30 **Hot Topics in Sports Medicine 2015: Real Live Cases From Inside the Office**
Jordan D. Metzl, MD
- 11:15 **Skin Cancers & Sun Damage**
(Rx = 10 minutes)
Libby Edwards, MD
- Noon **Infectious Disease Jeopardy**
Fredrick M. Abrahamian, DO
- 12:45pm **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 1:30 *Conference Adjourns*

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will be granted for these sessions*

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION, LODGING, & TRAVEL INFORMATION

Enrollment for this conference is limited in order to provide the best possible learning environment. **This conference typically sells out prior to the early tuition deadline. Early registration is advised.**

You can register the following ways:

- On-line at our website, www.symposiamedicus.org; OR
- Call Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm (Pacific Time), (925) 969-1789 with Visa, MasterCard, American Express, or Discover; OR
- By mail, make check payable to Symposia Medicus and send with registration form to 399 Taylor Blvd., Suite 201, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523-2287.

For additional conference or lodging information, call Symposia Medicus at (925) 969-1789, or visit our website at www.symposiamedicus.org.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION INFORMATION

TUITION:	EARLY <i>If postmarked by October 9, 2015</i>	REGULAR <i>If postmarked after October 9, 2015</i>
Physicians	\$495	\$595
Residents, Nurses, PAs, & All Others	\$410	\$510

- Discounts are available for retired healthcare providers, active U.S. military, and groups of three or more. For more information, please contact Symposia Medicus prior to registering.
- Tuition includes continuing education certification, online access to presentation handouts, break refreshments, and continental breakfast on Friday and Saturday for conference attendees
- Conference registration will be confirmed via email and more information on travel, hotel, and activities will be emailed and also available on our website
- This conference meets the requirements for CE tax deductibility; however, we suggest you consult your financial authority for more information

HOLIDAY ENTERTAINMENT AND THEATER ASSISTANCE

During this busy holiday time in New York City, it is difficult to get theater tickets, so we have purchased a group of theater tickets for a variety of popular performances during your stay (see below). We have a limited number of tickets for each performance and anticipate they will all sell out, so we recommend you call as soon as possible. The seats are in the Orchestra or Mezzanine.

To order tickets, please call Symposia Medicus with Visa, MasterCard, American Express, or Discover Card at (925) 969-1789. *No ticket refunds or exchanges can be made.*

Friday and/or Saturday Night Shows		
An American in Paris	Book of Mormon	
Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular		
School of Rock - The Musical	Something Rotten!	The King and I
<i>Other shows may become available, please call us for assistance.</i>		
We strongly recommend you call for theater tickets as soon as possible, as these popular performances sell out early!		

AIR TRAVEL INFORMATION

You can fly into LaGuardia Airport (LGA), which is approximately 25 minutes from the hotel; John F. Kennedy Airport (JFK), which is approximately 45 minutes from the hotel; or Newark Liberty International Airport (EWR), which is approximately one hour from the hotel. Information on ground transportation will be sent to registrants and available online at our website.

Symposia Medicus has arranged for discount fares with **Delta and United airlines** for this conference. Reservations can be made either through your travel agency or through the airlines at the website or Convention Desk numbers listed below.

In order to receive the discounted rate, you or your travel agent must refer to the Symposia Medicus Group ID number listed below.

Delta Airlines	For discounts on Delta Airlines, please visit www.delta.com and click on the link "Advanced Search," located at the bottom of the "Book a Trip" box. Once you click on this link, another page will appear. On this page, you will need to insert NMJHN in the "Meeting Event Code" box, located at the right hand side of the page. For questions, please call the Delta Airlines Convention Desk at (800) 328-1111.
United Airlines	For discounts on United Airlines flights, please book online at www.ual.com and insert ZSN7150020 into the e-certificate code box. For questions, please call the United Airlines Convention Desk at (800) 426-1122.

CAR RENTAL DISCOUNT

For conference discounts, Symposia Medicus has made arrangements with **AVIS and Budget Car Rentals**. Reservations can be made by phone; please refer to the conference code and the conference/airport location when making your reservations. Please see below:

AVIS	800-331-1600	AWD # B766625
Budget	800-772-3773	BCD # U076767

CONFERENCE LODGING INFORMATION

Symposia Medicus has **conference group rates** at the **New York Hilton Midtown**. We recommend you reserve your lodging as **soon as possible**, as **rooms at the conference group rates are limited and on a first come, first served basis**. Rooms may sell out and/or room rates may increase.

NEW YORK HILTON MIDTOWN

1335 Avenue of the Americas
New York, NY 10019-6078
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Phone: 1-800-HILTONS (1-800-445-8667)

Hotel accommodations are in high demand in New York City during the holiday season

RESERVE EARLY – HOTEL ROOMS AT CONFERENCE GROUP RATES SELL OUT FAST!

To make your reservation, please call **(800) 445-8667**. YOU MUST REFER TO SYMPOSIA MEDICUS TO RECEIVE CONFERENCE GROUP RATES. You may also use this link to make a reservation: <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/af20adc6>

These group rates will also be available three days before and three days after the conference (based on availability) if you wish to extend your stay.

ROOM TYPE	GROUP RATES (SINGLE/DOUBLE)	ROOM DESCRIPTION
Classic Room	\$349/night	Features a single king or queen, or two double beds, thermostat control, 37 inch television, on-demand entertainment, spacious work area, two telephones with voicemail, and in-room WiFi capabilities.
*Premier Room	\$399/night	Premier Room accommodations (on higher floors of the hotel) include the same features as the Classic Rooms as well as upgraded bath amenities, 55 inch flat screen television, bottled water, robes, and access to the Executive Lounge, located on the lobby level. The lounge features daily continental breakfast, hors d'oeuvres in the afternoon and evening, and continuous coffee and tea service. Premier Rooms offer separate ground floor check-in.

By booking your lodging using the Symposia Medicus group rates, the following items are included: Complimentary guest room internet; complimentary access to the fitness center; a 15% discount on all restaurants, bars, and lounges in the hotel; and double HHonors points for all HHonors members.

*Rooms are very limited, please reserve early

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Hotel Policies

- **A deposit equal to one night's room & tax is due to the hotel with major credit card upon making your reservation**
- **Above conference group rates are per room, per night and do not include the following (subject to change):**
 - New York State & City taxes, currently 14.75% per room, per night
 - \$2.00 per room, per night occupancy tax
 - \$1.50 per room, per night tertiary tax
- Maximum guest room capacity is four, regardless of age
- Children 18 years old & younger stay free in room with adults
- Third and fourth guests (19 years & older) are an additional \$30 each, per night
- Rollaway beds are an additional \$35 each, for the entire length of stay (subject to availability and change). Rollaways are only available in king bedded rooms.
- Cribs are complimentary (subject to availability and change)
- **Check-in time is 3:00pm and check-out time is 12:00pm.** Guests arriving prior to 3:00pm will be accommodated as rooms become available.
- A 30-minute break has been allotted in our conference schedule on the last day, for those of you who need to check-out
- **Early Departure Fee:** Please confirm your scheduled departure date with the hotel at check-in. An early departure fee equal to one night's room rate plus tax will be charged to any guest who checks-out of the hotel before their confirmed departure date.
- **Credit/Debit Card Policy:** Upon check-in, the hotel will require a credit card and will place a hold for your total estimated stay and incidental charges (approximately \$50/day). Please be aware that if you use a debit card instead of a credit card, the funds will be immediately removed from your account (even if you have prepaid your stay). These funds will not be released back into your account for 10 or more business days after you check-out.
- **Parking:** The hotel only offers valet parking at \$55 per day with same day in/out privileges. The parking lot is owned and managed by **Central Parking System of NY, Inc.** There are other parking garages within walking distance of the hotel (prices may vary). **Note: Valet parking is \$67 per day for oversized vehicles. All rates subject to change.**

Cancellation Policies

- **Hotel cancellation policy:** Hotel cancellations must be made directly with the hotel by **October 23, 2015**. After this date, the deposit of one night plus tax will be forfeited.
- **Conference cancellations** must be made in writing (via email or mail) to **Symposia Medicus** and a 10% of paid tuition processing fee will be assessed. No refunds will be made if cancellation is emailed/postmarked after **November 13, 2015**; however, tuition, less 10% processing fee, may be applied to a future Symposia Medicus conference.
- **All conference cancellations must be e-mailed to registrar@symposiamedicus.org OR mailed to Symposia Medicus. If mailed, it must be postmarked by the dates stated above.**
- In the unlikely event of conference cancellation by Symposia Medicus, full tuition refunds will be made. Symposia Medicus will not be responsible for refunding travel or any other expenses.



CONFERENCE LOCATION

Manhattan is exciting at any time of the year, but in December, when the holiday season activities are at their peak, it is an experience you won't want to miss.

Few places in the world have the magnetism and thrilling pace of New York City, and our conference will be held right in the heart of it all. **Conveniently located in mid-town Manhattan (1335 Avenue of the Americans – 6th Avenue, between 53rd & 54th Streets), the Hilton New York Midtown is just a short walk away from Broadway theaters; Radio City Music Hall; Rockefeller Center; the Museum of Modern Art; the Diamond District; Times Square; and, Central Park.**

Our beautiful hotel makes this weekend in New York appealing, and the outstanding theater, opera and other live performances this holiday season make it even more enticing.

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For our complete calendar of conferences, please visit www.symposiamedicus.org. Brochures are available 6-8 months prior to the conference.

2015 CALENDAR OF FUTURE CONFERENCES

1341	20th Annual Summer Conference on Emergencies & Challenges in Primary Care	Big Island, Hawaii	Jul 29-Aug 1
1344	16th Annual Summer Conference on Women's Health	Atlantis, Bahamas	Jul 29-Aug 1
1343	11th Annual Summer Conference on Emergency Medicine	Alaska Cruise (<i>Celebrity Cruises – Solstice</i>)	Jul 31-Aug 7
1337	Urban Emergency Medicine	San Francisco, California	Aug 6-8
1345	16th Annual Fall Conference on Integrative Medicine in Women's Health	Napa, California	Sep 9-12
1347	26th Annual National Conference on Women's Health Care	Las Vegas, Nevada	Sep 17-19
1350	Current Issues in OB/GYN	Mediterranean Cruise (<i>Celebrity Cruises – Reflection</i>)	Sep 21- Oct 2
1348	Current Concepts in Neonatal Care	Napa, California	Sep 23-26
1353	23rd Annual Fall Conference on Issues in Women's Health	St. Maarten, Caribbean	Oct 21-24
1354	31st Annual Fall Conference on Pediatric Emergencies	Atlantis, Bahamas	Oct 28-31
1355	26th Annual Fall Conference on Hot Topics in Primary Care	Kauai, Hawaii	Nov 4-7
1357	16th Annual Fall Conference on Emergency Medicine	Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands	Nov 11-14
1356	Emergencies & Challenges in Pediatrics	Eastern Caribbean Cruise (<i>Celebrity Cruises – Reflection</i>)	Nov 14-21
1360	21st Annual Conference on Women's Health: Care of Women Over 50	Guanacaste, Costa Rica	Nov 18-21
1361	7th Annual Conference on Emergencies & Challenges in Pediatrics	New York City, New York	Dec 18-19
1362	21st Annual Conference on Challenges in Gynecology	New York City, New York	Dec 18-19

2016 CALENDAR OF FUTURE CONFERENCES

1364	23rd Annual Conference on Office GYN & Women's Health for the Primary Care Provider	Kauai, Hawaii	Feb 10-13
1365	20th Annual Winter Conference on Clinical Issues in OB/GYN	Cancun, Mexico	Feb 17-20
1366	16th Annual Winter Conference on Pediatric Emergencies	Beaver Creek, Colorado	Feb 23-27
1369	23rd Annual Spring Conference on Women's Health	St. Maarten, Caribbean	Mar 9-12
1370	27th Annual Winter Conference on Emergency Medicine	St. Maarten, Caribbean	Mar 16-19
1371	27th Annual Spring Conference on Pediatrics	Big Island, Hawaii	Mar 16-19

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First Last

Registrant Email Address (required): _____

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Specialty: _____

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