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Overview

This conference on pediatric infectious diseases will cover topics of interest to pediatricians, family physicians, and other primary care providers for children and young adults. Speakers cover the most recent information on diagnosis, management, and prevention of infections in pediatrics. Discussion of controversial issues and questions follow each presentation. This conference is designed for pediatricians, family physicians, and other primary care providers for children and young adults.

Objectives

Following the presentations, attendees should be able to:

- Describe changes in the epidemiology, clinical presentation, and prevention of vaccine-preventable diseases relevant to pediatric practice.
- Apply evidence-based communication strategies, including motivational interviewing techniques, when discussing evidence-based recommendations, including vaccines with caregivers.
- Identify strategies to support pediatric immunization delivery and effectively communicate current vaccine recommendations in clinical practice.
- Apply current evidence and clinical guidelines to the diagnosis and management of common pediatric infectious diseases, including lymphadenitis and foodborne illnesses.
- Implement principles of antimicrobial stewardship, including evidence-based antibiotic selection and duration recommendations for children.
- Recognize emerging infectious disease considerations and apply best practices in the care of special pediatric populations, including newborns with limited or no prenatal care.

Continuing Education Credit

Children's Hospital Colorado is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Children's Hospital Colorado designates this Live activity for a maximum of 7.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s).™ Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

ABP MOC Part 2: Successful completion of this CME activity, which includes participation in the activity, and individual assessment of and feedback to the learner, enables the learner to earn up to 7.25 MOC points in the American Board of Pediatrics' (ABP) Maintenance of Certification (MOC) program. It is the CME activity provider's responsibility to submit learner completion information to ACCME for the purpose of granting ABP MOC credit.

Registration Fees (Live & Virtual)

Physicians (MD/DO): $195
All Other Health Professionals: $150
Students/Trainees: $50

Register Here!

Further Information

A few days prior to the conference you will receive an email that will include instructions for signing in virtually the morning of the conference, and how to join the conference online.

If you need additional information, please contact Kris Beam, Conference Coordinator at kris.beam@childrenscolorado.org or at 720-777-6671 at least 2 weeks prior to the conference.

Agenda

Wednesday, November 4, 2026

7:30 **Registration and Continental Breakfast**

7:55 **Welcome**
Nicole Poole, MD, MPH

8:00 **Vaccine Preventable Diseases**
Paul Mitchell, MD

8:30 **Motivational Interviewing in Vaccine Hesitancy**
David Higgins, MD, MPH, MS

8:50 **Clinical Evidence-Based Communication lecture and workshop**
Aimee Pugh Bernard, PhD

10:05 **Break and Visit Exhibits**

10:25 **Challenging Times for Pediatric Vaccines: Weathering the Storm**
Sean O'Leary, MD, MPH

10:55 **Vaccines Q&A: An Expert Panel**
David Higgins, MD, MPH, MS Paul Mitchell, MD, Sean O'Leary, MD, MPH

11:35 **Lunch and Visit Exhibits**

11:50 **Peds Infectious Diseases: An Interactive Game Session**
Juri Boguniewicz, MD, Michael Bozzella, DO, MS, Andrew Haynes, MD, MA, Nicole Poole, MD, MPH, Justin Searns, MD, MSCS

12:50 **Not-So-Happy Meals: When Food Makes Kids Sick**
Donna Curtis, MD, MPH

1:30 **Nodes & Necks: What to Treat, What to Cover and How Long?**
Nicole Poole, MD, MPH

2:10 **How Low Can You Go? Optimizing Antimicrobial Durations for Common Pediatric Infections**
Andrew Haynes, MD, MA

2:50 **Break and visit exhibits**

3:10 **Where in the World Is...My Patient Coming From?: Infectious Considerations for Newcomers**
Hai Nguyen-Tran, MD

3:50 **No Prenatal Care? No Problem: Navigating Infectious Risks in the Newborn**
Christiana Smith-Anderson, MD, PhD

4:30 **Evaluation and Adjourn**

Guest Speakers

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