OBSERVATION MEDICINE
Science & Solutions

September 12-13, 2019
Sheraton Hotel Atlanta
Atlanta, Georgia
**Observation Medicine 2019 – Science & Solutions**

Do you want to learn about the *Science* of Observation Medicine and the *Solutions* needed to start, design, manage or expand an Observation Unit? Then the **Observation Medicine - Science and Solutions Conference** is for you! This is the *Definitive* Observation Medicine Conference for Physicians, Medical and Nursing Directors, Advanced Practice Providers, Nurses, Healthcare Executives, and Hospital Administrators. During this two-day conference, you will learn directly from and have opportunity to network with the leaders and authors of Observation Medicine. You will also:

- Learn about why your hospital needs an Observation Unit and which design is best for you
- Stay current on CMS Observation policy and what’s new for 2020
- Discover how to capture and maximize reimbursement for Observation services and the necessary documentation
- Learn about optimal staffing and the role of mid-level providers and nursing in an observation unit
- Day 1 will include 2 tracks – Beginners: Starting an Observation Unit and Advanced: Expanding your Observation Unit
- Poster Presentations on Observation Innovation, Quality & Research
- *NEW*–Optional Observation Unit Tour – see below

The target audience for this two-day conference is Hospital Administrators, Physicians and Medical Directors, Advanced Practice Providers, Nurses and Nurse Executives, and anyone else interested in learning more about Observation Medicine.

**Faculty**

**Program Co-Directors**

**Anwar Osborne, MD, MPH, FACEP**  
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**Maria Aini, MD**  
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**Christopher Baugh, MD, MBA, FACEP**  
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**Christopher Caspers, MD**  
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**Carla Chipalkatty, MS, PA-C**  
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**Michael A. Granovsky, MD, CPC, FACEP**  
President of Logix Health, a national ED coding and billing company processing over 12,000,000 annual encounters; Director of the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) Reimbursement course, and leads the education efforts of ACEPs National Coding and Nomenclature Advisory Committee; Immediate past Chairman of National ACEPs Reimbursement Committee as well as the reimbursement subject matter expert to multiple task forces including quality measure development, episodes of care, ACEPs’s CEDR QCDR, and Out of Network Fair Payment coalition; Editor for both ED Coding Alert and the American Academy of Professional Coders (AAPC) ED Specialty Coding Certification Exam.

**Brian Hiestand, MD, MPH, FACEP**  
System Director for ED Observation Services, Wake Forest Baptist Health Professor and Vice Chair of Clinical Operations, Department of Emergency Medicine, Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

**Sharon Mace, MD, FACEP, FAAP**  
Professor of Medicine, Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine at Case Western Reserve University; Director, Observation Unit & Director, Research Emergency Services Institute, Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, Ohio.

**W. Frank Peacock IV, MD, FACEP, FACC**  
Professor of Emergency Medicine and Vice Chair for Research in the department of Emergency Medicine at Baylor College of Medicine, in Houston, Texas. He has >500 publications, is a two-time winner of the Best Research Paper of the Year Award from the American College of Emergency Physicians, and the 2019 Ray Bahr Award for Excellence from the American College of Cardiology. Finally, he is the founder of Comprehensive Research Associates, LLC, and Emergencies in Medicine, LLC.

**Dane Peterson**  
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**Michael A. Ross, MD, FACEP**  
Medical Director of Observation Medicine and Chest Pain Center, Emory University Hospital; Professor, Department of Emergency Medicine, Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia.

**Pawan Suri, MD**  
Chair, Division of Observation Medicine, Department of Emergency Medicine & Program Director, Combined EM/IM Residency Program, VCU School of Medicine; Assistant Professor in Emergency Medicine & Internal Medicine, Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center, Department of Emergency Medicine, Richmond, Virginia.

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**Program Schedule**

**September 11, 2019**

**7:00 – 8:30 am**  
Registration/Continental Breakfast

**8:00 – 8:45 am**  
Symposium:  Evidence-Based Approach to Anticoagulation Therapy for DVT/PE  
**W. Frank Peacock IV, MD, FACEP, FACC**

**9:00 – 9:30 am**  
From Wet to Dry(er) in 24 hrs or less:  HF Exacerbation in the CDU  
**Brian Hiestand, MD, MPH, FACEP**

**9:30 – 10:00 am**  
Stuff You Should Know:  A Review of the Literature  
**Scott Osborne & Wheatley**

**10:15 – 10:30 am**  
Coffee Break

**10:45 – 12:00 pm**  
**Afternoon Session A – Starting an Observation Unit**

**10:45 – 11:15 am**  
Observation Unit Design:  Pearls & Pitfalls for Building Your Unit  
**David Granovsky**

**11:30 – 12:00 pm**  
Implementing an OU:  Tricks of the Trade You Can’t Read in Books  
**Christopher Caspers, MD**

**September 12, 2019**

**3:00 – 5:00 pm**  
Observation Unit Tours at Emory University School of Medicine & Grady Memorial Hospital

**8:00 – 8:45 am**  
Symposium:  Observation Medicine: The Strategic Symposium:  Observation Medicine: The Strategic

**9:00 – 9:30 am**  
Symposium:  Trauma in the Observation Unit? Yes! What Works  
**Sharon Mace, MD, FACEP, FAAP**

**9:30 – 10:00 am**  
Symposium:  Observation Medicine: The Strategic

**10:30 am – 12:00 pm**  
**Afternoon Session B – Expanding your Observation Unit**

**10:30 am – 11:00 am**  
Observation Pathways 2.0  
**Rebecca Aini**

**11:00 am – 11:30 am**  
**11:30 – 12:00 pm**

**November 29, 2019**

**8:00 – 9:00 am**  
Registration/Continental Breakfast

**9:00 – 9:30 am**  
Symposium:  Observation Medicine: The Strategic

**12:00 – 1:00 pm**  
Lunch

***NEW* Optional Observation Unit Tour – Wednesday, September 11, 2019 – 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.**

Tour state-of-the-art Observation Units at Emory University School of Medicine and Grady Memorial Hospital. A shuttle will transport you to and from the hotel to these locations. Shuttle will depart at 2:45 p.m.

**There is an additional $35 for the tours in addition to the course registration fee.**
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(Optional – Additional $35 fee) – Shuttle Departure 2:45 p.m.

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7:00 – 7:45 am Symposium: Trauma in the Observation Unit? Yes! What Works R. Dunne, MD, FAEMS, FACEP
7:00 – 8:30 am Breakfast/Visit Exhibits
7:55 – 8:00 am Welcome and Opening Remarks
8:00 – 8:45 am KEYNOTE SPEAKER - Observation Medicine: The Strategic and Operational Imperative Peterson
8:45 – 9:15 am Observation Unit Design: Pearls & Pitfalls for Building Your Unit Baugh
9:15 – 9:45 am 2019 Physician Observation Reimbursement: Path to Success Granovsky
9:45 – 10:15 am 2019 Facility Observation – Revenue & Economic Drivers Granovsky
10:15 – 10:30 am Break/Visit Exhibits
10:30 – 11:00 am Observation Services and CMS – 2020 Updates Ross
11:00 - 11:30 am Professional Staffing Models for Observation Care: How the Money Works Baugh
11:30 – 12:00 pm The Role of the Advanced Practice Provider Chipalkatty
12:00 – 1:00 pm Lunch

Afternoon Session A – Starting an Observation Unit
1:00 – 1:30 pm Implementing an OU: Tricks of the Trade You Can’t Read in Books Caspers
1:30 – 2:00 pm Best First Protocols and Pathways Pena
2:00 – 2:30 pm A Day in the Life of an OU Provider Ashooh
2:30 – 3:00 pm Discussion Panel

Afternoon Session B – Expanding your Observation Unit
1:00 – 1:30 pm Observation Units 2.0: Ideas on Expansion Suri
1:30 – 2:00 pm Observation Pathways 2.0 Aini
2:00 – 2:30 pm Making your OU Rated G – Why Including Infants & Children Makes Sense Mace
2:30 – 3:00 pm Discussion Panel

3:00 – 3:15 am Break/Visit Exhibits
3:15 – 3:45 pm The Collaborative Power of ED Observation Unit Nursing Crewe
3:45 – 5:00 pm Wine/Cheese Reception and Networking

September 13, 2019
7:00 – 8:00 am Symposium: Evidence-Based Approach to Anticoagulation Therapy for DVT/PE
7:00 – 8:30 am Breakfast/Visit Exhibits
8:00 – 8:30 am Community vs. Urban vs. Free-standing Observation Unit Caspers
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10:45 – 12:00 noon ePoster Presentations: Observation Innovation, Quality Osborne & Research Part 1
12:00 – 1:00 pm Lunch
1:00 – 2:00 pm ePoster Presentations: Observation Innovation, Quality Osborne & Research Part 2
2:00 – 2:30 pm Q & A Panel

*Schedule subject to change*

Credit
This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of the American College of Emergency Physicians and Michigan College of Emergency Physicians. The American College of Emergency Physicians is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The American College of Emergency Physicians designates this live activity for a maximum of 11.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Approved by the American College of Emergency Physicians for a maximum of 11.5 hour(s) of ACEP Category 1 credit.

Location
Sheraton Hotel Atlanta, Atlanta, Georgia
For overnight accommodations contact the hotel directly at (404) 659-6500 and mention EMERGENCY PHYSICIAN OBSERVATION CONFERENCE to receive a preferred rate. Discounted room block pricing will be available until August 21, 2019 or until the group block is sold out, whichever comes first. The cost is $149 per night plus state and local taxes. An on-line reservation link is available on the MCEP website at  https://www.mcep.org/conferences/observation-medicine-science-and-solutions/
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□ Groups of 10+ (must register together by contacting MCEP office to receive a discount)

OPTIMAL OBSERVATION UNIT TOUR AT EMORY & GRADY – Wednesday, 9/11/19

□ Additional $35 fee

PLEASE INDICATE WHICH AFTERNOON SESSION YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND ON 9/12/19:

CIRCLE ONE:

SESSION A: Starting an OU or SESSION B: Expanding your OU

On-line Registration:
On-line Registration will be available at https://www.mcep.org/conferences/observation-medicine-science-and-solutions/

Cancellation Policy:
All refunds must be requested in writing. If your written cancellation is received three weeks prior to the course date, you will receive a full refund minus a $100 administrative fee. No refunds on cancellations received after August 22, 2019.

Handouts:
Handouts will NOT be printed for this event and will be available prior to the course date on our website, www.mcep.org, for download.

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