



SEPTEMBER 13, 2024 VIRTUAL MEETING

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12th Annual Observation Medicine - Science and Solutions Conference

Observation Medicine 2024 – Science & Solutions

We are excited to present the **12th Annual Observation Medicine - Science and Solutions Conference!** 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 this conference is for you! This is the Definitive Observation Medicine Conference for Physicians, Medical and Nursing Directors, Advanced Practice Providers, Nurses, Healthcare Executives, Hospital Administrators, and anyone else interested in learning more about Observation Medicine. During this one-day virtual conference, you will learn directly from leaders and authors of Observation Medicine.

- Learn about observation services documentation, billing and coding
- Learn about CMS updates, types of units, telemedicine, and a review of the literature
- Learn about observation unit design and staffing and how to successfully manage a unit
- Learn about simple and complex protocols and pathways including those of special populations
- Breakout sessions for those starting an observation unit or expanding your observation unit
- Also featuring an innovations and research in Observation Medicine forum

Faculty

Program Co-Directors

Meredith Busman, MD

Observation Medicine Fellowship Recruitment Director, Corewell Health Butterworth Hospital; Emergency Physician, Emergency Care Specialists, Grand Rapids, Michigan; Associate Professor, Michigan State University School of Medicine; Wayne State University School of Medicine.

George Hughes, MD

Emergency Department Physician, Emory University Hospital; Clinical Decision Unit (CDU) Director, Emory University Hospital in 2018 helping to expand CDU and continue efficient patient care developed by Mike Ross and other observation leaders; During Covid-19, interest and research grew in the unique ways that telemedicine can be used to safely deliver emergency and observation care to patients and worked with a great group to implement this practice.

Margarita Pena, MD, FACEP

Medical Director, Clinical Decision Unit, Ascension St. John Hospital, Detroit, MI; Associate Program Director, Ascension St. John Emergency Medicine Residency Program; Professor, Department of Emergency Medicine, Wayne State University School of Medicine, Detroit, Michigan.

Jason Adler, MD, FACEP

Vice President of Coding, LogixHealth; current ICD-10 workgroup chair, ACEP's Coding and Nomenclature Advisory Committee; Chair, EDPMA's Quality Coding Documentation Committee; Clinical Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine and Director of Compliance and Reimbursement, University of Maryland Residency Program.

Christopher Baugh, MD, MBA, FACEP

Attending Physician, Department of Emergency Medicine, Brigham and Women's Hospital; Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine, Harvard Medical School

Kaitlyn Beels, MD

Emergency Medicine Physician, Emergency Care Specialists, Grand Rapids, Michigan; Observation Medicine Fellowship Education Director, Corewell Health Butterworth Hospital, Grand Rapids, MI; Clinical Instructor, Michigan State University College of Human Medicine, Grand Rapids, Michigan; Central Michigan University College of Medicine, Mount Pleasant, Michigan.

Katherine Hall, BSN, RN, CDP

Unit Clinical Manager, Observation Unit, ProMedica Toledo Hospital, Toledo, Ohio.

Christopher LeMaster, MD

Regional TPMG Physician Safety Lead
Board Certification in Clinical Informatics
Attending Physician at Kaiser East Bay Emergency Department in Oakland, California.

Sharon Mace, MD, FACEP, FAAP

Professor of Medicine, Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine at Case Western Reserve University; Director Emeritus, Observation Unit & Director, Research, Emergency Services Institute. Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, Ohio.

Austin MacKenzie, MD

Associate Medical Director, Big Rapids EmPATH Unit; Behavioral Health Clinical Liaison, Emergency Care Specialists; Emergency Physician, Corewell Health Butterworth and Big Rapids ED.

David Meguerdichian, MD, FACEP

Director of Observation Medicine, Department of Emergency Medicine; Interim Clinical Director of Emergency Services, Mass General Brigham Healthcare at Home; Assistant Director of Emergency Medicine, STRATUS Center for Medical Simulation; Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine, Harvard Medical School.

Brenda Oiyemhonlan, MD, MHSA, MPH, FACEP

Emergency Medicine Physician, East Bay Permanente Medical Group, Northern California; Prior Health Care Consultant, Accenture, LLP, Health and Life Sciences Practice, Atlanta, GA; Medical School, Keck School of Medicine, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California; Medical Director, Clinical Decision Unit, Quality Improvement Medical Director, and Medical Director for Geriatric Emergency Department, University of California, San Francisco.

Anwar Osborne, MD, MPM, FACEP

Medical Director, Hospitalist Medicine Observation Unit, Emory University Hospital Midtown; Assistant Professor, Emergency Medicine & Internal Medicine, Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia.

Audrey C. Reust, MS, PA-C

Associate Director, Observation Medicine, Department of Emergency Medicine, Brigham & Women's Hospital, Brigham and Women's Faulkner Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

Michael A. Ross, MD, FACEP, FACC

Chief of Service, Observation Medicine, Emory Healthcare; Director, Emergency Medicine Virtual Care; Professor, Department of Emergency Medicine; Emory University School of Medicine; Adjunct Faculty, Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing.

Lauren Southerland, MD, FACEP

Associate Professor and Director, Clinical and Implementation Research, The Ohio State Wexner Medical Center with training in emergency medicine, geriatrics, and implementation and dissemination science; ED Observation Unit Medical Director, 2015-2019, until she stepped down to start her NIH funded study of incorporating geriatric multidisciplinary assessments into an ED Observation Unit; Researcher in the US with active NIH funding to study observation units; Lectured nationally and internationally on ways to improve the care of older adults in the ED and specifically in ED Observation Units.

Ashima Vohra, MD

Medical Director, Emergency Department Observation Unit, ProMedica Toledo Hospital; Teaching Faculty, University of Toledo Emergency Medicine Residency; Emergency Physician, Emergency Physicians of Northwest Ohio, Toledo, Ohio.

Matthew Wheatley, MD, FACEP

Medical Director, Clinical Decision Unit, Grady Memorial Hospital; Professor, Department of Emergency Medicine; Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia.

Program Schedule

September 13, 2024 (EST)

10:00 – 11:00 am	Observation Unit Accreditation - It's Time to Set the Bar	Margarita Pena
11:00 – 11:45 am	Documentation/Reimbursement Update (with 15-minute Q&A Session)	Jason Adler
11:45 am – 12:15 pm	National Quality Metrics for Observation Units	Lauren Southerland
12:15 – 12:20 pm	Break	
12:20 – 1:20 pm	Panel: Role of non-Physician Providers in the OU: How to Leverage APP, Nursing	Chris Baugh Audrey Reust Kate Hall
1:20 – 2:20 pm	Panel: Improving Sickle Cell Care in the ED and CDA The Creation of a Novel Workflow for the Management of Complex Patients	Brenda O. Oiyemhonlan Christopher LeMaster Lauren Southerland
2:20 – 2:55 pm	Lunch/Sponsor Break	
2:55 – 4:55 pm	Breakout Sessions Session A: Obs 101 Foundations and Fundamentals for Building your Service <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Topic TBA vs Evidence of Initial Success: Benchmarks and Metrics – Ashima Vohra • Pediatrics + 1 Other Pathway – Sharon Mace • Pearls and Pitfalls to Starting an OU – 2-3 Pathways – David Meguerdichian Session B: Observation 303: Expanding the Scope and Depth of Your Service <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incorporating Education into Your EDOU – Kaitlyn Beels • EMPATH Units: A Different Approach to Behavioral Health – Austin MacKenzie • From EDOU to VOU: Telemedicine and Observation Care – Mike Ross 	
4:55 – 5:00 pm	Break	
5:00 – 5:40 pm	Literature Update	Matt Wheatley Anwar Osborne

Schedule subject to change

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CIRCLE ONE:

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

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