



## Emerging Infections in Clinical Practice and Public Health

Friday, November 20, 2026

InterContinental Minneapolis-St. Paul Airport

Co-Chairs: Susan Kline, Aditya Shah, Ruth Lynfield

| Friday, November 20, 2026 Program is in Central Standard Time |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| 7:00 a.m.                                                     | <b>Registration &amp; Continental Breakfast</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 8:10 a.m.                                                     | <b>Welcome and Introductions</b><br><i>Aditya Shah, M.B.B.S., Ruth Lynfield, M.D., and Susan Kline, M.D., MPH</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 8:15 a.m.                                                     | <b>Vaccine Confidence</b><br><i>Sean O'Leary, M.D., MPH – University of Colorado School of Medicine and Colorado Children's Hospital</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 8:45 a.m.                                                     | Questions and Discussion                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 9:00 a.m.                                                     | <b>Prep</b><br><i>Vu Ha, Pharm.D. - University of Minnesota</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 9:30 a.m.                                                     | Questions and Discussion                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 9:45 a.m.                                                     | <b>Cases From the Travel Desk</b><br><i>Meredith Kavalier, M.D. - University of Minnesota</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 10:15 a.m.                                                    | Questions and Discussion                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 10:30 – 10:45 a.m.                                            | Refreshment Break                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 10:45 a.m.                                                    | <b>Hot Topics in Public Health</b><br><i>Nick Lehnertz, M.D., MPH- Minnesota Department of Health</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 11:15 a.m.                                                    | Questions and Discussion                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 11:30 a.m.                                                    | <b>Access to Infectious Diseases and Importance of Telehealth</b><br><i>Kate Peterson, D.O. - Minneapolis VA Healthcare System</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 12:00 p.m.                                                    | Questions and Discussion                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 12:15 - 1:15 p.m.                                             | Lunch                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 1:15 p.m.                                                     | <b>New Antimicrobials for GU Infections</b><br><i>Kellie Hannan, Pharm.D. - Mayo Clinic</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 1:45 p.m.                                                     | Questions and Discussion                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 2:00 p.m.                                                     | <b>Measles and Its Complications</b><br><i>Michelle Barton, M.D. – Schulich School of Medicine and Children's Hospital LHSC, Ontario</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 2:30 p.m.                                                     | Questions and Discussion                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 2:45 - 3:00 p.m.                                              | Refreshment Break                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 3:00 p.m.                                                     | <b>Special Pathogens Unit Point of Care Testing HCID (test targets, turn around time, transport, limitations)</b><br><i>Tori Nemitz, MLS - University of Minnesota</i>                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 3:30 p.m.                                                     | Questions and Discussion                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 3:45 p.m.                                                     | <b>Challenging Cases of Public Health Interest</b><br><b>Moderator:</b> <i>Dimitri Drekonja, M.D., M.S.- Minneapolis VA Healthcare System, Stacy Holzbauer, DVM, MPH - Minnesota Department of Health</i><br><b>Panelists:</b> <i>Jack Mc Hugh, M.B.B.Ch. - Mayo Clinic</i><br><i>Anjum Kaka, M.D. - Minneapolis VA Healthcare System</i> |

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|           | <i>Ayesha Rashid, M.D.- St Paul Infectious Disease Associates</i>                                       |
| 4:45 p.m. | <b>Closing Remarks</b><br><i>Aditya Shah, M.B.B.S., Ruth Lynfield, M.D., and Susan Kline, M.D., MPH</i> |

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