



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	
7:00 a.m.	Registration & Continental Breakfast
8:10 a.m.	Welcome and Introductions <i>Aditya Shah, M.B.B.S., Ruth Lynfield, M.D., and Susan Kline, M.D., M.P.H.</i>
8:15 a.m.	Vaccine Confidence <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 <i>Sean O'Leary, M.D., M.P.H.</i>
9:00 a.m.	Prep <i>Vu Ha, Pharm.D., BCACP, BCGP - University of Minnesota</i>
9:30 a.m.	Questions and Discussion <i>Vu Ha, Pharm.D., BCACP, BCGP</i>
9:45 a.m.	Cases From the Travel Desk <i>Meredith Kavalier, M.D., CTropMed - University of Minnesota</i>
10:15 a.m.	Questions and Discussion <i>Meredith Kavalier, M.D., CTropMed</i>
10:30 – 10:45 a.m.	Refreshment Break
10:45 a.m.	Hot Topics in Public Health <i>Nick Lehnertz, M.D., M.P.H., M.H.S., M.D.H. - Minnesota Department of Health</i>
11:15 a.m.	Questions and Discussion <i>Nick Lehnertz, M.D., M.P.H., M.H.S., M.D.H.</i>
11:30 a.m.	Access to Infectious Diseases and Importance of Telehealth <i>Kate Peterson, D.O. - Minneapolis VA Healthcare System</i>
12:00 p.m.	Questions and Discussion <i>Kate Peterson, D.O.</i>
12:15 - 1:15 p.m.	Lunch
1:15 p.m.	New Antimicrobials for GU Infections <i>Kellie Hannan, Pharm.D., R.Ph., BCIDP - Mayo Clinic</i>
1:45 p.m.	Questions and Discussion <i>Kellie Hannan, Pharm.D., R.Ph., BCIDP</i>
2:00 p.m.	Measles and Its Complications <i>Michelle Barton, M.D., MSc, FIDSA – Schulich School of Medicine and Children's Hospital LHSC, Ontario</i>
2:30 p.m.	Questions and Discussion <i>Michelle Barton, M.D., MSc, FIDSA</i>
2:45 - 3:00 p.m.	Refreshment Break
3:00 p.m.	Special Pathogens Unit Point of Care Testing HCID <i>Tori Nemitz, MLS - University of Minnesota</i>
3:30 p.m.	Questions and Discussion <i>Tori Nemitz, MLS</i>
3:45 p.m.	Challenging Cases of Public Health Interest Moderator: <i>Dimitri Drekonja, M.D., M.S. - Minneapolis VA Healthcare System, Stacy Holzbauer, D.V.M., M.P.H. - Minnesota Department of Health</i> Panelists: <i>Jack Mc Hugh, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O. - Mayo Clinic</i> <i>Anjum Kaka, M.D. - Minneapolis VA Healthcare System</i> <i>Ayesha Rashid, M.D., FACP, FIDSA - St Paul Infectious Disease Associates</i>
4:45 p.m.	Closing Remarks <i>Aditya Shah, M.B.B.S., Ruth Lynfield, M.D., and Susan Kline, M.D., M.P.H.</i>

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