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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

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Friday, November 20, 2026 *Program is in Central Standard Time*	
7:00 a.m.	**Registration & Continental Breakfast**
8:10 a.m.	**Welcome and Introductions** *Aditya Shah, M.B.B.S., Ruth Lynfield, M.D., and Alison Galdys, M.D.*
8:15 a.m.	**Vaccine Confidence** *Sean O'Leary, M.D., MPH - University of Colorado School of Medicine and Colorado Children's Hospital*
8:45 a.m.	Questions and Discussion *Sean O'Leary, M.D., M.P.H.*
9:00 a.m.	**Prep** *Vu Ha, Pharm.D., BCACP, BCGP - University of Minnesota*
9:30 a.m.	Questions and Discussion *Vu Ha, Pharm.D., BCACP, BCGP*
9:45 a.m.	**Cases From the Travel Desk** *Meredith Kavalier, M.D., CTropMed - University of Minnesota*
10:15 a.m.	Questions and Discussion *Meredith Kavalier, M.D., CTropMed*
10:30 – 10:45 a.m.	Refreshment Break
10:45 a.m.	**Hot Topics in Public Health** *Nick Lehnertz, M.D., M.P.H., M.H.S., M.D.H. - Minnesota Department of Health*
11:15 a.m.	Questions and Discussion *Nick Lehnertz, M.D., M.P.H., M.H.S., M.D.H.*
11:30 a.m.	**Access to Infectious Diseases and Importance of Telehealth** *Kate Peterson, D.O. - Minneapolis VA Healthcare System*
12:00 p.m.	Questions and Discussion *Kate Peterson, D.O.*
12:15 - 1:15 p.m.	Lunch
1:15 p.m.	**New Antimicrobials for GU Infections** *Kellie Hannan, Pharm.D., R.Ph., BCIDP - Mayo Clinic*
1:45 p.m.	Questions and Discussion *Kellie Hannan, Pharm.D., R.Ph., BCIDP*
2:00 p.m.	**Measles and Its Complications** *Michelle Barton, M.D., MSc, FIDSA – Schulich School of Medicine and Children's Hospital LHSC, Ontario*
2:30 p.m.	Questions and Discussion *Michelle Barton, M.D., MSc, FIDSA*
2:45 - 3:00 p.m.	Refreshment Break
3:00 p.m.	**Special Pathogens Unit Point of Care Testing HCID** *Tori Nemitz, MLS - University of Minnesota*
3:30 p.m.	Questions and Discussion *Tori Nemitz, MLS*
3:45 p.m.	**Challenging Cases of Public Health Interest** ***Moderator:*** *Dimitri Drekonja, M.D., M.S. - Minneapolis VA Healthcare System, Stacy Holzbauer, D.V.M., M.P.H. - Minnesota Department of Health* ***Panelists:*** *Jack Mc Hugh, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O. - Mayo Clinic* *Anjum Kaka, M.D. - Minneapolis VA Healthcare System* *Ayesha Rashid, M.D., FACP, FIDSA - St Paul Infectious Disease Associates*
4:45 p.m.	**Closing Remarks** *Aditya Shah, M.B.B.S., Ruth Lynfield, M.D., and Alison Galdys, M.D.*

**Faculty and Curriculum Subject to Change*