

31ST ANNUAL FALL CONFERENCE ON

HIGH RISK OBSTETRICS

*Including topics on: Hypertension in Pregnancy, Diabetes,
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CONFERENCE DESCRIPTION

Our **31st Annual Fall Conference on High Risk Obstetrics** is designed for physicians, certified nurse midwives, nurse practitioners, PAs, nurses, and other healthcare professionals who face challenges in the care of the high risk pregnant patient. The goal of this conference is to increase knowledge and enhance the competence of attendees. Emphasis will be placed on practical application of the evidence-based topics presented.

Topics for this year's conference have been selected based on the educational needs determined from the identified professional practice gaps. The gaps were derived from a variety of sources including evaluations and outcomes data from past participants; clinical expert input; Symposia Medicus' online survey; and other medical and nursing data.

Conference format will include didactic lectures, studies, and question and answer sessions.

An outstanding faculty has been assembled for this conference. Each member was selected based on their individual area of expertise and ability to communicate current, evidence-based, and practical information to participants.

You are sure to enjoy our **31st Annual Fall Conference on High Risk Obstetrics** while sharing ideas and experiences with colleagues from across the country in the exciting setting of New Orleans.

CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES

As a result of participating in this conference, you should have increased knowledge and enhanced competence to...

- Manage the pregnant patient with hypertension
- Develop a plan to reduce postpartum complications in extremely obese women
- Identify clinical strategies to reduce pregnancy-related deaths
- Manage the pharmacologic treatment of intrahepatic cholestasis of pregnancy (ICP)
- Recognize the short and long-term effects of preeclampsia
- Identify the most common causes of respiratory distress in pregnancy

ATTENDEE REQUIREMENTS

At the conclusion of attending this conference, participants are entitled to a certificate of credit which will be available online. Successful completion of this activity is determined by attending the live activity, review of the educational session materials, and submission of the pre/post case study survey, evaluations, and attendance verification form. Each participant should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

ACCREDITATION

This educational activity was planned and produced in accordance with the **ACCME** and **ANCC** Essentials and Standards relating to continuing medical and nursing education.

Symposia Medicus is accredited by the **Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME)** to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Symposia Medicus is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT

Physicians

Symposia Medicus designates this live activity for a maximum of **19 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™**. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

ACOG

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists has assigned up to 19 cognate credits to this program.

Certified Nurse Midwives

The **American Midwifery Certification Board (AMCB)** accepts Category 1 CME approval from organizations accredited by the ACCME.

PAs

NCCPA accepts certificates of participation for educational activities certified for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™ from organizations accredited by ACCME or a recognized state medical society. PAs may receive a maximum of 19 hours of Category 1 credit for completing this program.

Nurse Practitioners/Nurses

The **ANCC** contact hours awarded for completion of this conference are 19.

Provider is also approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider #CEP2335, for 22.8 contact hours.

Pharmacology Credit for Prescriptive Authority

A maximum of 2.25 hours in pharmacology credit for prescriptive authority may be earned by attending this educational conference. Sessions awarding pharmacology credit for prescriptive authority are denoted with an Rx in the schedule.

EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

Each registrant will have online access to session materials. **The session materials will be available for download approximately two weeks prior to the conference (you'll receive an email with instructions).** If you wish to receive a hard copy of the session materials, please check the box on the registration form in this brochure.

If you are unable to attend this conference, extra copies of the session materials (either paper or digital copy) will be available one week after the conference. The cost is \$60 for a hard copy and \$25 for the digital copy. To place your order, please email publications@symposiamedicus.org.

NEARBY ATTRACTIONS /GROUND TRANSPORTATION

To receive additional information about the conference hotel, location, tours and/or nearby attractions, and ground transportation, please visit our website at www.symposiamedicus.org.

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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Thursday, October 5

- 7:00am Conference Registration/Check-in During Continental Breakfast
- 8:00 **Welcome & Introduction**
Cornelia R. Graves, MD
- 8:15 **When Her Blood Pressure Boils: Managing Hypertension in Pregnancy**
(Rx = 20 minutes)
Karrie E. Francois, MD
- 9:00 **She's Alert & Talking; However, That Means Nothing: Recognizing Early Signs of Clinical Deterioration** (Rx = 10 minutes)
Patricia M. Witcher, RN, MSN
- 9:45 **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 10:15 Break
- 10:30 **Reducing Cesarean Deliveries: Interventions You Can Make**
Jeffrey C. King, MD
- 11:15 **Substance Abuse: The Changing Landscape**
(Rx = 15 minutes)
Cornelia R. Graves, MD
- Noon **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 12:30pm Lunch Break (on your own)
- 1:45 **Critical Care Complications of Preeclampsia**
Gary A. Dildy III, MD
- 2:30 **Prediction & Prevention of Preterm Birth in 2017**
Mark Alanis, MD, MSCR
- 3:15 Break
- 3:30 **Cholestasis of Pregnancy: Management & Delivery Considerations**
Jeffrey C. King, MD
- 4:15 **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 5:00 Adjourn for the Day

Friday, October 6

- 7:30am Continental Breakfast
- 8:00 **Pregnancy as a Window to the Future**
Cornelia R. Graves, MD
- 8:45 **Diabetes in Pregnancy: Easy as 1, 2, 3**
(Rx = 25 minutes)
Karrie E. Francois, MD
- 9:30 **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 10:00 Break

- 10:15 **Current Concepts of Thyroid Dysfunction in Pregnancy**
Jeffrey C. King, MD
- 11:00 **Pregnancy in Patients with Cancer**
Cornelia R. Graves, MD
- 11:45 **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 12:15pm Lunch Break (on your own)
- 1:30 **New Approaches to Managing Severe Postpartum Hemorrhage** (Rx = 20 minutes)
Gary A. Dildy III, MD
- 2:15 **Fetal Monitoring: What is the Baby Telling You?** (Rx = 30 minutes)
Karrie E. Francois, MD
- 3:00 Break
- 3:15 **Maternal Mortality & Morbidity in the U.S. – What Next?**
Patricia M. Witcher, RN, MSN
- 4:00 **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 4:45 Adjourn for the Day

Saturday, October 7

- 7:30am Continental Breakfast
- 8:00 **The Severely Obese Gravida: Antepartum, Intrapartum, and Postpartum Management**
Mark Alanis, MD, MSCR
- 8:45 **"I Can't Breathe": Acute Respiratory Emergencies During Pregnancy**
(Rx = 15 minutes)
Cornelia R. Graves, MD
- 9:30 **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 10:00 Break (Hotel check-out, if applicable)
- 10:30 **Viruses That Bite: Zika, CMV, and Parvo**
Jeffrey C. King, MD
- 11:15 **Patient Satisfaction: Accurate Perception Minimizes the Complaint**
Patricia M. Witcher, RN, MSN
- Noon **Diagnosis & Management of Placenta Accreta**
Mark Alanis, MD, MSCR
- 12:45pm **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 1:30 *Conference Adjourns*

Rx = Pharmacology Credit for Prescriptive Authority will be granted for these sessions

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION, LODGING, & TRAVEL INFORMATION

Enrollment for this conference is limited in order to provide the best possible learning environment. **Early registration is advised.**

You can register the following ways:

- On-line at our website, www.symposiamedicus.org; OR
- Call Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm (Pacific Time), (925) 969-1789 with Visa, MasterCard, American Express, or Discover; OR
- By mail, make check payable to Symposia Medicus and send with registration form to 399 Taylor Blvd., Suite 201, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523-2287.

For additional conference or lodging information, call Symposia Medicus at (925) 969-1789, or visit our website at www.symposiamedicus.org.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION INFORMATION

TUITION:	EARLY <i>If postmarked by July 27, 2017</i>	REGULAR <i>If postmarked after July 27, 2017</i>
Physicians	\$660	\$760
Residents, Nurses, PAs & All Others	\$560	\$660

- Discounts are available for retired healthcare providers, active U.S. military, and groups of three or more. For more information, please contact Symposia Medicus prior to registering.
- Tuition includes continuing education, online access to session materials, continental breakfast on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday mornings, and break refreshments for conference registrants.
- Conference registration will be confirmed via email
- This conference meets the requirements for CE tax deductibility; however, we suggest you consult your financial authority for more information

AIR TRAVEL INFORMATION

You will fly into Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport (MSY), which is approximately 30 minutes from **Harrah's New Orleans.** For information on ground transportation, please visit our website.

Symposia Medicus has arranged for discount fares with **Alaska, Delta, and United airlines** for this conference. Reservations can be made either through your travel agency or through the airlines at the website or Convention Desk numbers listed below.

In order to receive the discounted rate, you or your travel agent must refer to the Symposia Medicus Group ID number listed here.

Alaska Airlines	For discounts on Alaska Airlines flights, please book online at www.alaskaair.com and click on the link "Use Discount Code," located at the bottom of the "Book Flights" box. Once you click on this link, another page will appear. On this page, you will need to insert ECMX498 in the "Discount Code" box, located at the right hand side of the page.
Delta Airlines	For discounts on Delta Airlines, please visit www.delta.com and click on the link "Advanced Search," located at the bottom of the "Book a Trip" box. Once you click on this link, another page will appear. On this page, you will need to insert NMNP8 in the "Meeting Event Code" box, located at the right hand side of the page. For questions, please call the Delta Airlines Convention Desk at (800) 328-1111.
United Airlines	For discounts on United Airlines, please visit www.united.com and click on All Search Options, located on the bottom left corner of the "Book Travel" box. Once you click on this link, another page will appear. At the bottom of this page, you will insert ZX32764574 in the "Promotions and Certificates" box. For questions, please call the United Airlines Convention Desk at (800) 426-1122.

CAR RENTAL DISCOUNT

For conference discounts, Symposia Medicus has made arrangements with **AVIS and Budget Car Rentals.** Reservations can be made by phone; please refer to the conference code and the conference/airport location when making your reservations. Please see below:

AVIS 800-331-1600 AWD # B766625
Budget 800-772-3773 BCD # U076767

CONFERENCE LODGING INFORMATION

Symposia Medicus has **conference group rates** at **Harrah's New Orleans.**

We recommend you reserve your lodging **as soon as possible, as rooms at the conference group rates are limited and on a first come, first served basis. Rooms may sell out and/or room rates may increase prior to the release date of Sunday, September 17, 2017.**

Harrah's New Orleans
 228 Poydras Street
 New Orleans, Louisiana 70130
 Direct: (504) 533-6000

These group rates will be available three (3) days before and three (3) days after the conference (based on availability) if you wish to extend your stay in New Orleans. If you wish to extend your stay three or more days prior to the conference, the hotel will provide a 10% discount on their rates at the time of booking.

To make your reservation, please call (877) 466-7847.
 YOU MUST REFER TO THE GROUP CODE **S10SYMZ** TO RECEIVE CONFERENCE GROUP RATES.

 To make your reservation online, please visit the following link
<http://www.totalrewards.com/hotel-reservations?propCode=NOR&groupCode=S10SYMZ>

Room Type	Group Rates <i>(Single/Double Occupancy)</i>	Description
Classic Room	\$209/night	430 sq. ft. room features king or two beds, elegant appointments, and original artwork. It also includes an exclusive-to-Harrah's pillow-top Simmons Beautyrest mattress, entertainment center, double vanity, separate bathtub and shower, and casual seating area.
Premium Room	\$235/night	430 sq. ft. room features king or two beds, the same appointments as the Luxury room, plus a spa-style waffle weave robe. All Premium rooms are newly renovated.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Hotel Policies

- A deposit equal to one night's room & tax is due to the hotel with major credit card upon making your reservation. Each guestroom must have at least one registered guest 21 years of age or older.
- Above conference group rates are per room, per night and **do not** include the following (*subject to change*):
 - 14% room tax
 - \$2.00 occupancy tax
 - \$14.99 plus 14% tax, resort fee (fee includes: unlimited local phone calls, admission to the fitness center for two guests, and basic in-room internet access for up to two devices per day)
- Maximum guestroom occupancy is four, regardless of age
- Additional adults 18 years & older are \$30 per person, per night (not to exceed maximum occupancy)
- Children 17 years & under are complimentary (not to exceed maximum occupancy)
- **Bed Type Requests:** You can select one or two beds; however, requests cannot be guaranteed until check-in
- Rollaway beds are available at an additional cost of \$30 per night (subject to availability & change). Rollaway beds are only available in king-bedded rooms due to fire codes.
- Cribs are available on a complimentary basis (subject to availability & change)
- Check-in time is 4:00pm and check-out time is 11:00am. Any departures after 11:00am are subject to a full day charge.
- A 30-minute break has been allotted in our conference schedule on the last day for those of you who may need to check-out
- **Credit/Debit Card Policy:** Upon check-in, the hotel requires a credit card or debit card to ensure that funds are available. Holds are placed on your account for your entire stay; however, the amount may be immediately deducted from your account. The length of time for which these holds remain on your credit or debit account varies from bank to bank.
- **Parking:** Valet parking is \$42/night and self-parking is \$34/night. Self-parking charge can be waived daily if you have a Total Rewards Card (obtained on property) and play at least 30 minutes of slot play per day. See hotel's front desk for more information.
- **Hotel cancellations** must be made directly with the hotel at least 72 hours prior to scheduled arrival (check-in) date, or you will be charged a cancellation fee equal to your one night's deposit and tax

Cancellation Policies

- Conference cancellations must be made **in writing (via email or mail) to Symposia Medicus** and a refund, less a 10% processing fee, will be given. No refunds will be made if cancellation is received after **August 31, 2017**; however, tuition, less 10% processing fee, may be applied to a future Symposia Medicus conference.
- **All cancellations must be emailed to registrar@symposiamedicus.org OR mailed to Symposia Medicus. If mailed, it must be postmarked by the date stated above.**
- In the unlikely event of conference cancellation by Symposia Medicus, full tuition refunds will be made. Symposia Medicus will not be responsible for refunding travel or any other expenses.

CONFERENCE LOCATION

Nestled on the banks of the majestic Mississippi River, New Orleans is one of the United States' most mesmerizing cities. Its Old World European charm, rich cultural fabric, and intriguing history have made it one of the world's top travel destinations. Visit this amazing city and experience world-class cuisine, inspired jazz, and boutique shopping in a place that is steeped in history. Whether it's music, food, or the arts you love (or all of the above), you'll want to join in as New Orleans lets its hair down and declares, "*laissez les bons temps rouler*" (let the good times roll)!

The AAA Four Diamond Award-winning **Harrah's New Orleans** hotel is located in the heart of this exhilarating city. This 26-story marvel, with 450 oversized rooms and suites, provides an unparalleled escape. Spend some time at the fun, friendly casino or dine at one of their eight restaurants, including a local favorite, the Acme Oyster House. With spectacular views of the Mississippi River and New Orleans skyline, just **steps from the French Quarter** and a few blocks from the Superdome, there is no better place to stay in New Orleans than Harrah's.

Enjoy the atmosphere of Bourbon Street, walk the historic French Quarter, or shop 'til you drop on Royal Street. Whatever your pleasure, you'll be sure to find it in New Orleans, at our **31st Annual Fall Conference on High Risk Obstetrics**.

For our complete calendar of conferences, please visit www.symposiamedicus.org. Brochures are available 6-8 months prior to the conference.

2017 CALENDAR OF FUTURE CONFERENCES

1400	24th Annual Conference on Office GYN & Women's Health for the Primary Care Provider	St. Maarten, Caribbean	Feb 15-18
1404	24th Annual Spring Conference on Women's Health	Los Cabos, Mexico	Mar 8-11
1406	24th Annual Spring Conference on High Risk Obstetrics	St. Maarten, Caribbean	Mar 15-18
1409	18th Annual National Conference on Fetal Monitoring	Las Vegas, Nevada	Apr 20-22
1407	Challenges in Male & Female Sexual Healthcare	St. Pete Beach, Florida	Apr 26-29
1410	4th Annual Spring Conference on Integrative Medicine in Women's Health	Sedona, Arizona	May 17-20
1412	22nd Annual Conference on High Risk & Critical Care Obstetrics	San Francisco, California	May 25-27
1415	24th Annual Summer Conference on Obstetrics & Gynecology	Big Island, Hawaii	Jul 12-15
1416	Challenges in Obstetrics & Gynecology	Alaska Cruise (<i>Celebrity Cruises – Solstice</i>)	Jul 21-28
1419	18th Annual Summer Conference on Women's Health	Lake Tahoe, California	Jul 26-29
1425	18th Annual Fall Conference on Integrative Medicine in Women's Health	Ojai, California	Sep 6-9
1426	Hot Topics in Pediatric Emergencies	Western Mediterranean Cruise (<i>Celebrity Cruises – Reflection</i>)	Sep 11-22
1424	28th Annual National Conference on Women's Health Care	Las Vegas, Nevada	Sep 18-20
1435	Current Issues in Women's Health	River Cruise (<i>AMA Waterways – Stella – Danube River</i>)	Oct 25-Nov 1
1431	25th Annual Fall Conference on Issues in Women's Health	Grand Cayman Island	Nov 1-4
1433	35th Annual Fall Conference on Obstetrics	Maui, Hawaii	Nov 1-4
1437	24th Annual Fall Conference on Challenges in Taking Care of the High Risk Pregnancy	Hilton Head, South Carolina	Nov 15-18
1440	23rd Annual Conference on Challenges in Gynecology	New York City, New York	Dec 15-16

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Registrant's Name: _____ Degree: _____
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Registrant Email Address (required): _____

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If you prefer to also receive a hard copy of the session materials please check here

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