

23RD ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON HIGH RISK & CRITICAL CARE OBSTETRICS

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CONFERENCE DESCRIPTION

Our **23rd Annual Conference on High Risk & Critical Care 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, smaller group breakout and interactive sessions, case 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 **23rd Annual Conference on High Risk & Critical Care 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...

- Identify common causes of cardiopulmonary arrest in the obstetrical patient
- Properly prescribe progestogens in high risk gravidas for prevention of preterm birth
- Apply appropriate screening to the pregnant patient for substance abuse during pregnancy
- Identify physiologic changes that predispose pregnant patients to diabetic emergencies
- Prioritize intrauterine fetal supportive interventions that accompany abnormal fetal heart rate and maternal hemodynamic instability
- Integrate postpartum hemorrhage guidelines and massive transfusion protocols into clinical practice

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.

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CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT

Physicians

Symposia Medicus designates this live activity for a maximum of **17 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™**. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

ACOG

Application has been made with the **American College of Obstetricians & Gynecologists (ACOG)** for cognates, Formal Learning. **Please check our website for updated credit information.**

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 17 hours of Category 1 credit for completing this program.

Nurse Practitioners/Nurses

The **ANCC** contact hours awarded for completion of this conference are 17.

Provider is also approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider #CEP2335, for 20.4 contact hours.

Pharmacology Credit for Prescriptive Authority

A maximum of 2 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.

SMALLER GROUP BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Smaller group sessions will be held on Friday. These breakout sessions are organized to provide **greater participant/faculty interaction**, and will give you an opportunity to participate in discussions on subjects relating to your particular area of interest. **Please indicate your breakout session topic choices on the conference registration form in this brochure.** Space is limited so please reserve early.

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, May 10

7:00am	Registration & Check-in During Continental Breakfast	9:30	Break
8:00	Welcome & Introduction Gary Dildy III, MD & Patricia Witcher, RN, MSN	9:45	Small Group Breakouts – Session Two (Session One Topics Repeated)
8:15	Diabetes & DKA: Stabilization & Management of Metabolic Emergencies (Rx = 15 minutes) Karin Fox, MD, M.Ed.	11:15	Break
9:00	New Approaches to Managing Severe Postpartum Hemorrhage (Rx = 20 minutes) Gary Dildy III, MD	11:30	Small Group Breakouts – Session Three
9:45	Questions & Answers Group Discussion Faculty Panel & Audience		D. Placenta Accreta Karin Fox, MD, M.Ed.
10:15	Break		E. Diagnosis & Management of Intrauterine Growth Restriction Marshall St. Amant, MD
10:30	Vasopressor Therapy: To Squeeze or Not to Squeeze (Rx = 15 minutes) R. Brandon Frady, MSN, RN, ACNP-BC, CCRN-CMC		F. Case Studies in High Risk & Critical Care: When Acute Complications Lead to Clinical Deterioration Patricia Witcher, RN, MSN
11:15	EFM Application: Assessing Maternal Hemodynamic Instability Through Fetal Heart Rate Changes & Risk Factors for Clinical Deterioration (Rx = 10 minutes) Patricia Witcher, RN, MSN	1:00pm	Lunch Break (on your own)
Noon	Questions & Answers Group Discussion Faculty Panel & Audience	2:15	Small Group Breakouts – Session Four (Session Three Topics Repeated)
12:30pm	Lunch Break (on your own)	3:45	Adjourn for the Day
1:45	Clinical Management of Venous Thromboembolism in Obstetrics (Rx = 15 minutes) Donna Dizon-Townson, MD		
2:30	Recent Advances in Obstetric Care: Impact on Neonatal Outcomes Marshall St. Amant, MD		
3:15	Questions & Answers Group Discussion Faculty Panel & Audience		
3:45	Adjourn for the Day		

Saturday, May 12

7:30am	Continental Breakfast
8:00	Management of Obesity in Pregnancy (Rx = 15 minutes) Karin Fox, MD, M.Ed.
8:45	Opioid Use, Abuse, and Dependency During Pregnancy (Rx = 30 minutes) Donna Dizon-Townson, MD
9:30	Questions & Answers Group Discussion Faculty Panel & Audience
10:00	Break (Hotel check-out, if applicable)
10:30	Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation in Pregnancy R. Brandon Frady, MSN, RN, ACNP-BC, CCRN-CMC
11:15	Critical Care Complications of Preeclampsia Gary Dildy III, MD
Noon	Maternal Mortality & Severe Morbidity: Key Patient Safety Initiatives for Improving Maternal Outcomes Patricia Witcher, RN, MSN
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

Friday, May 11

7:30am	Continental Breakfast
8:00	Small Group Breakouts – Session One
	A. Electronic Fetal Monitoring: Basics of Nomenclature, Interpretation, and Management Gary Dildy III, MD
	B. Thrombophilia Quiz Show: Who & When to Screen & How to Treat Donna Dizon-Townson, MD
	C. What Does Sepsis Look Like During Pregnancy?: Diagnosis & Management R. Brandon Frady, MSN, RN, ACNP-BC, CCRN-CMC

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.

Visit www.symposiamedicus.org or call (925) 969-1789 for additional questions or information.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION INFORMATION

TUITION:	EARLY <i>If postmarked by March 1, 2018</i>	REGULAR <i>If postmarked after March 1, 2018</i>
Physicians	\$675	\$775
Residents, Nurses, PAs, & All Others	\$575	\$675

- 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 every morning of the conference, 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 ECMX992 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 ZE2C279455 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
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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 **Tuesday, April 17, 2018**.

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

These group rates will be available 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 S05SYM8 TO RECEIVE CONFERENCE GROUP RATES. To make your reservation online, please visit the following link http://www.totalrewards.com/reserve/?propCode=NOR&action=FindRooms&groupcode=S05SYM8
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Room Type	Group Rates (Single/Double Occupancy)	Description
Premium Room - City View	\$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 - River View	\$235/night	430 sq. ft. room features king or two beds, the same appointments as the Premium Room - City View, 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*):
 - 13% room tax
 - \$2.00 occupancy tax
 - \$14.99 plus 13% tax, resort fee (fee includes: unlimited local phone calls, admission to the fitness center for two guests, and basic in-room Wi-Fi 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 late check-out (based upon availability) can only be confirmed on the date of departure by the front desk and charges may apply.
- 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 (subject to change and/or cancellation). 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 **April 5, 2018**; 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 **23rd Annual Conference on High Risk & Critical Care 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

1431	25th Annual Fall Conference on Issues in Women's Health	Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands	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

2018 CALENDAR OF FUTURE CONFERENCES

1442	25th Annual Conference on Office GYN & Women's Health for the Primary Care Provider	Oahu, Hawaii	Feb 7-10
1443	22nd Annual Winter Conference on Clinical Issues in OB/GYN	St. Maarten, Caribbean	Feb 14-17
1446	25th Annual Spring Conference on High Risk Obstetrics	Los Cabos, Mexico	Mar 7-10
1447	25th Annual Spring Conference on Women's Health	St. Kitts, Caribbean	Mar 7-10
1454	3rd Annual Conference on Challenges in Sexual Healthcare	Napa, California	May 9-12
1457	Challenges in Mental Healthcare for the Primary Care Provider	Napa, California	Jul 11-14
1458	19th Annual Summer Conference on Women's Health	Big Island, Hawaii	Jul 11-14
1459	Hot Topics in Pediatric Emergencies	Alaska Cruise (<i>Celebrity Cruises – Solstice</i>)	Jul 27-Aug 3
1462	25th Annual Summer Conference on Obstetrics & Gynecology	Naples, Florida	Aug 1-4
1464	29th Annual National Conference on Women's Health Care	Las Vegas, Nevada	Sep 17-19
1467	Challenges in Obstetrics & Gynecology	Mediterranean/Adriatic Cruise (<i>Celebrity Cruises – Constellation</i>)	Sep 18-27
1466	32nd Annual Fall Conference on High Risk Obstetrics	San Francisco, California	Sep 20-22
1469	36th Annual Fall Conference on Obstetrics	St. Thomas, USVI	Oct 3-6
1468	Current Issues in Women's Health	Rhine River Cruise (<i>Ama Waterways – AmaStella</i>)	Oct 29-Nov 5
1473	Hot Topics in Pediatric Emergencies	Rhine River Cruise (<i>Ama Waterways – AmaStella</i>)	Oct 29-Nov 5
1471	26th Annual Fall Conference on Issues in Women's Health	Maui, Hawaii	Oct 31-Nov 3
1475	25th Annual Fall Conference on Challenges in Taking Care of the High Risk Pregnancy	Naples, Florida	Nov 14-17
1479	24th Annual Conference on Challenges in Gynecology	New York City, New York	Dec 14-15

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First Last

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The session materials will be available for download on our website approximately two weeks before the conference.
 If you prefer to also receive a hard copy of the session materials please check here

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