

Academic/Research

This combined track is for hospitalists who practice in academic medical centers and face unique challenges, as well as for hospitalists in any setting interested in research. Also featured are oral presentations selected from the RIV abstracts receiving the top scores by reviewers. Every hospitalist, whether in a community or academic medical setting, who desires to bring greater rigor to their analysis as well as educational effectiveness will walk away from these sessions with new resources to implement.

Clinical Updates

Keeping up with the ever-expanding body of medical literature and changes to clinical practice guidelines can be challenging. The Clinical Updates track provides evidence-based updates from recent literature published in medicine subspecialty fields and specific topic areas that all hospitalists need to know in order to provide optimal management for specific conditions in hospitalized patients.

Co-Management/Perioperative Medicine

The perioperative and consult medicine track explores the perioperative and consultative medicine questions that challenge hospitalists on a daily basis. This hospitalist core competency increases in complexity on a daily basis, and yet many physicians were not even taught the basics in residency.

Diagnostic Reasoning

Diagnostic error is one of the most important safety problems in healthcare today, and inflicts the most harm. Accurate and timely diagnosis are the two cornerstones of high-quality patient care.

Early-Career Hospitalists

The Early Career Hospitalist Track has been designed for new hospitalists, resident physicians and medical students interested in pursuing a career in Hospital Medicine. Designed by SHM's physicians-in-training committee, which includes nationally recognized hospitalists with expertise in scholarship, career development, and medical education, this track aims to inspire future hospitalist leaders.

Health Policy

These sessions will provide information about the processes of health policy development and implementation, and an overview of federal legislative and regulatory programs and processes that impact hospital medicine. Speakers will present the big picture of federal advocacy, the players, formal and informal approaches, and what hospitalists bring to the table.

High Value Care

Unnecessary care is not only wasteful and costly, but it can be harmful to patients as well. Our High Value Care (HVC) track will guide attendees on how to avoid diagnostic and therapeutic overuse and how to move towards the right care for every hospital medicine patient.

Medical Education

This track is for hospitalists who are interested in improving their teaching skills. A strong teaching approach can impact and shape how learners think about and approach patient care for years to come.

NP/PA

Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants are critical to hospital medicine care delivery. This track will discuss best practices in NP/PA utilization and collaboration.

Palliative Care

Hospitalists are optimally situated to provide palliative care to their patients. Patients are admitted to hospitals at turning points in a serious illness trajectory, when needs for pain and symptom management and navigation of prognosis and goals of care are high. The Palliative Care Track sessions provide the tools hospitalists need to understand their role in palliative care, and expertly manage pain and other common physical symptoms.

Pediatric

The pediatric track will have a variety of clinical and systems based topics relevant to pediatric hospitalists. Previous hot topics presented include understanding the febrile infant, acute behavioral inpatient emergencies and taking a different look at how the Pediatric Hospitalist Fellowship subspecialty certification affects various groups.

Potpourri

The potpourri track offers presentations on a variety of non-clinical topics of interest to the practicing hospitalist.

Practice Management

The importance of organizational infrastructure related to the practice of hospital medicine is well recognized, and information in this area continues to accumulate.

Quality

Given the importance of quality and patient safety in the delivery of healthcare, the Quality Track is offered to address the imperatives around development and implementation of improvement efforts in the hospital.

Rapid Fire

The Rapid Fire Track is designed to provide participants with “rapid bursts” of content and to address specific questions framed by the Annual Meeting Committee. The topics are very clinical and relevant to everyday inpatient practice.

Seasoning Your Career

This track focuses on didactics designed to augment those committed to a career in hospital medicine including topics such as career growth and development, resiliency, work-life balance and how practical work matters like schedules affect career.

The Great Debate

The Great Debate Track pairs off two talented speakers to debate cutting edge clinical decisions on the front lines. By taking opposing sides of clinical decisions, the latest literature is reviewed and best practices are discussed. The audience gets to vote on who they believe. Previous topics areas presented include perioperative, infectious diseases, and pulmonary.

Workshops

Workshop track topics were submitted by members, underwent a peer review, and were selected based on their relevancy to hospitalists, designed engagement and interaction with participants, experience of the presenter(s), and clarity of submission. Submission categories included clinical, research, academic, practice management, and quality and safety.

****Please note, these tracks are not final and are subject to change.***