



CALL FOR SPEAKER & TOPIC PROPOSALS SHM Converge

This list of educational track descriptions is to assist you in understanding the topic and session categories of where your proposal submission can be placed if accepted. Please note, these tracks are not final and are subject to change as they are officially decided on at the discretion of the Annual Conference Committee. If your proposal is accepted, you will be informed as to which track your session will be presented in.

ACADEMIC/RESEARCH

This combined track is for hospitalists who practice in academic medical centers, as well as for hospitalists in any setting interested in research or education. Every hospitalist, whether in a community or academic medical setting, who desires to improve their teaching or their approach to scholarly activities will walk away from these sessions with new tools to implement.

Session Length: 60 minutes

Number of Speakers: no more than 4

AI & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Content in this track covers current and emerging technologies in hospital medicine, featuring talks on how Artificial Intelligence is impacting the field by innovating care delivery, practice efficiency, and provider and patient experience.

Session Length: 50 minutes

Number of Speakers: no more than 4

BENDING THE COST CURVE & HIGH VALUE CARE

This track is designed for hospitalists committed to advancing healthcare value by delivering high-quality, evidence-based care while reducing unnecessary costs. Sessions will highlight practical strategies — from eliminating low-value practices to implementing shared quality improvement initiatives — that empower hospitalists to reduce waste, optimize resource use, and improve patient outcomes. Participants will gain tools to apply evidence-based medicine not only in individual practice but also across groups and facilities to meaningfully impact value and cost.

Session Length: 50 minutes

Number of Speakers: no more than 4

CARING FOR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS

These sessions will address healthcare disparities and provide tools and strategies to foster inclusive excellence.

Session Length: 50 minutes

Number of Speakers: no more than 4

CLINICAL UPDATES

Expert clinicians and educators deliver evidence-based updates from the literature in topic areas relevant to hospitalists.

Session Length: 50 minutes

Number of Speakers: no more than 4

CLINICAL REASONING & DIAGNOSTICS

This track provides information about the cognitive processes used by clinicians to assess, diagnose, and treat patients.

Session Length: 50 minutes

Number of Speakers: no more than 4

EARLY-CAREER

The Early-Career hospitalist track is designed for new hospitalists, resident physicians, and medical students interested in pursuing a career in hospital medicine. The track was designed to prepare and inspire future hospitalist leaders with a mix of clinical and career planning topics.

Session Length: 50 minutes

Number of Speakers: no more than 4

HEALTH POLICY

These sessions will focus on health policy development and implementation, with highlights of federal legislative and regulatory programs and processes that impact hospital medicine.

Session Length: 50 minutes

Number of Speakers: no more than 4

LEADERSHIP

For those who are current or aspiring leaders this track focuses on topics related to the aspects of leading in the hospital. These talks are full of practical tips to boost your leadership acumen.

Session Length: 50 minutes

Number of Speakers: no more than 4

NP/PA

Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants are integral to hospital medicine, contributing to high-quality, cost-effective, and patient-centered care. This half-day track will examine evidence-based approaches to NP/PA practice, including models of utilization, interprofessional collaboration, and strategies to optimize outcomes.

Session Length: 50 minutes

Number of Speakers: no more than 4

PALLIATIVE CARE

Hospitalists are optimally situated to provide palliative care to their patients. This track gives you tools to optimize your care of patients who would benefit from palliative care during or following their hospitalization.

Session Length: 50 minutes

Number of Speakers: no more than 4

PATIENT EXPERIENCE & COMMUNICATION

Patients and their support systems are an important part of our care teams. This track provides strategies to improve the experience of patients/caregivers and communicate effectively across the care team.

Session Length: 50 minutes

Number of Speakers: no more than 4

PEDIATRIC

The Pediatric track offers a variety of clinical and systems-based topics. This track will feature sessions including clinical topics as well as Things We Do For No Reason and Updates (Top 10 Articles) in topics important to those caring for children.

Session Length: 50 minutes

Number of Speakers: no more than 4

PERIOPERATIVE MEDICINE / CO-MANAGEMENT

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Number of Speakers: no more than 4

POST-ACUTE CARE & HOSPITAL AT HOME

Hospitalists are expanding their clinical expertise beyond traditional inpatient settings to deliver comprehensive care across the continuum. These sessions will equip attendees with evidence-based strategies for implementing, optimizing, and sustaining hospital-at-home programs and post-acute care transitions.

Session Length: 50 minutes

Number of Speakers: no more than 4

POINT-OF-CARE ULTRASOUND

The unique Point-of-Care Ultrasound (POCUS) track is designed to provide cutting-edge educational content on POCUS use by adult and pediatric hospitalists, regardless of current skill level. Didactics and workshops will be delivered by national and international POCUS experts. The content will encompass both diagnostic and procedural POCUS applications, and faculty will guide you through engaging presentations, sure to help you build your diagnostic acumen and technical skills.

Session Length: 50 minutes

Number of Speakers: no more than 4

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. Join these sessions to learn more about optimizing your hospital medicine group's practice.

Session Length: 60 minutes

Number of Speakers: no more than 4

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.

Session Length: 60 minutes

Number of Speakers: no more than 4

WELLNESS

These sessions provide attendees with skills and perspectives to foster resilience, identify and mitigate burnout, and promote sustainability in practice and in life.

Session Length: 50 minutes

Number of Speakers: no more than 4

WORKSHOPS

Featuring something for everyone, these are extended length sessions (90 minutes) held in smaller roundtable settings for attendees to engage in a more interactive learning environment.

Session Length: 90 minutes

Number of Speakers: no more than 8