

22nd Annual Winter Conference on
**EMERGENCY
MEDICINE**

***Including Topics on: Trauma Radiology, Allergic Emergencies,
High Risk Orthopedics, Challenging Case Studies,
Dermatology in the ER, Neurologic Emergencies,
Medico-Legal Case Studies, and much more...***

FEBRUARY 9-12, 2011

**Conrad San Juan
Condado Plaza Hotel
(A Hilton Worldwide Property)**

San Juan, Puerto Rico

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"Excellent conference with top notch speakers. Within the first hour of lectures I already had numerous good tips to incorporate into my practice."

-Eric Sampson, MD

"This is the 4th Symposia Medicus conference I've attended. They are ALWAYS excellent in all categories, e.g., accommodations, extracurricular activities, program speakers, and content! Thank you! Keep up the great work...it shows!"

-Sheila Falco, NP

"Very well-organized and educational conference. I enjoyed the nice balance of conference and leisure time."

-Andrea Knight, MD

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www.symposiamedicus.org

Conference Description

This **22nd Annual Winter Conference on Emergency Medicine** is designed to provide emergency physicians, nurses, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, as well as out-of-hospital providers who see patients that need immediate care, with evidence-based information on a variety of Emergency Medicine dilemmas. A wide variety of topics pertinent to the practice of the emergency care provider will be presented in lectures, case presentations, and interactive sessions.

The goal of this conference is to present current clinical data on key issues in emergency medicine, along with treatment options to manage these challenges. Topics for this year's conference have been selected based on extensive target audience needs assessment data resulting from professional practice gaps. These gaps are identified by a variety of sources including feedback and evaluations from past participants, clinical expert input, Symposia Medicus' online survey, and other medical and nursing data.

An outstanding faculty has been selected based on their individual areas of expertise, their ability to communicate first-hand knowledge to others, and their commitment to address issues of current concern to attendees.

You are sure to enjoy our **22nd Annual Winter Conference on Emergency Medicine** while sharing ideas and experiences with colleagues from across the country in the tranquil and beautiful setting of San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Conference Objectives

After participating in this conference, you should have an increased knowledge of, and be more competent to...

- Identify and treat emergent dermatologic conditions
- Treat musculoskeletal emergencies including fractures and dislocations
- Use appropriate clinical interventions in the management of headaches and neurological emergencies
- Better use lab tests to augment history and physical exam in evaluating the patient with abdominal pain
- Apply the most up-to-date information in Emergency Department diagnostic testing, including ultrasound, MRI and ECG

Accreditation

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

Symposia Medicus is accredited by the **Accreditation Council on 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.

Each participant should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Certificates of credit will be given to participants on-site at the conclusion of the conference.

Continuing Education Credit

Physicians

Symposia Medicus designates this educational activity for a maximum of 18 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

*Application has been made to the **American College of Emergency Physicians** for ACEP Category 1 credit.*

*Application for CME credit has been filed with the **American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)**.*

Physician Assistants

The American Academy of Physician Assistants accepts Category 1 CME approval from organizations accredited by ACCME.

Nurse Practitioners/Nurses

The **ANCC** contact hours awarded for the completion of this educational activity are 18.

Provider is also approved by the **California Board of Registered Nursing**, Provider #CEP2335, for **21.6** contact hours.

Pharmacology Credit for Prescriptive Authority

A maximum of three 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.

Workshop Sessions

Smaller group workshops will be held Friday afternoon. These sessions will give you an opportunity to select subjects relating to your particular area of interest and provide an opportunity for greater interaction with the faculty and other participants. **Please indicate your workshop choices on the conference registration form in this brochure.** Space is limited, so please reserve early. Workshops you select will be printed on your name badge.

Educational Resources

Each registrant will receive an extensive conference syllabus containing pertinent information on each topic presented. In an effort to reduce the environmental impact of printing on paper, **this syllabus is available on CD (e-syllabus).** You can request an e-syllabus on our conference registration form. **By requesting an e-syllabus, you will not receive a paper syllabus.** If you request an e-syllabus and bring your laptop to the conference, please be aware that there are no electrical outlets at the conference tables. **Make sure your laptop is fully charged each day.**

Extra copies of this syllabus, whether on CD or paper, are available for purchase by writing, with \$45 payment to: Symposia Medicus, 399 Taylor Blvd., Suite 201, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523-2287 (please refer to syllabus #1169 and indicate type of media preferred).

Group Tours / Ground Transportation

Tours are planned for participants and guests throughout the conference breaks. Additional information regarding tours, hotel, location and ground transportation will be sent.



CONFERENCE FACULTY

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Consistent with ACCME and ANCC policy, faculty for this educational activity are asked to disclose any commercial interests that may create or may be perceived as creating a conflict related to the material they will be presenting, as well as limitations on clinical studies presented, and any "off-label" use suggestions for medical products. Additionally, Symposia Medicus Board, Planning Committee, and Staff members have disclosed that they have no significant financial relationships that could pose a conflict of interest to the planning of this conference. This information is intended to assist you in forming your own judgments about content presented. Disclosure information will be included in your syllabus and/or verbally disclosed at the conference.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Wednesday, February 9

- 7:00am Registration & Check-in during Continental Breakfast
- 8:00 **Conference & Faculty Introduction**
Rita Cydulka, MD, MS
- 8:15 **Update on Trauma Management**
Scott Melanson, MD
- 9:00 **Back to School: Vital Signs & Their True Meaning**
Joseph Lex, Jr., MD
- 9:45 **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 10:00 Break
- 10:15 **High Risk Orthopedics in the Emergency Department: Pearls & Pitfalls** (Rx = 15 minutes)
Kenneth Jackimczyk, MD
- 11:00 **Neurologic Emergencies**
(Rx = 10 minutes)
Vena Ricketts, MD
- 11:45 **Identifying Allergic Emergencies**
(Rx = 35 minutes)
Rita Cydulka, MD, MS
- 12:30pm **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 1:30 Adjourn for the Day
- 5:30-7:00pm Group Reception (for Faculty, Registrants & Their Guests)

Thursday, February 10

- 7:30am Continental Breakfast
- 8:00 **Dermatology in the ER: Visual Diagnosis** (Rx = 20 minutes)
Vena Ricketts, MD
- 8:45 **Emergency Department Ultrasound: The Basics**
Scott Melanson, MD
- 9:30 **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 10:00 Break
- 10:15 **Challenging Case Studies in Emergency Medicine**
Rita Cydulka, MD, MS
- 11:00 **Electrolyte Emergencies** (Rx = 15 minutes)
Vena Ricketts, MD
- 11:45 **The Mighty Magnet: Indications for MRI Use in the ED** (Rx = 10 minutes)
Scott Melanson, MD

- 12:30pm **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 1:15 Adjourn for the Day

Friday, February 11

- 3:30pm **WORKSHOPS ~ Session One**
- A. **Chest Pain: Making Sense of History & Diagnostic Tests**
Kenneth Jackimczyk, MD
- B. **Endocrine Emergencies: DKA & More!**
Vena Ricketts, MD
- C. **In-Depth Emergency Department Ultrasound: Case Studies**
Scott Melanson, MD
- D. **Evidence-Based Wound Care: Why We Do What We Do**
Joseph Lex, MD
- 5:00 Break
- 5:15 **WORKSHOPS ~ Session Two (Session One Topics Repeated)**
- 6:45 Adjourn for the Day

Saturday, February 12

- 7:30am Continental Breakfast
- 8:00 **Emergencies in the Elderly**
(Rx = 15 minutes)
Rita Cydulka, MD, MS
- 8:45 **Rational Use of Lab Studies in Evaluating the Patient with Abdominal Pain** (Rx = 10 minutes)
Joseph Lex, MD
- 9:30 **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 10:00 Break (Hotel Check-Out if Applicable)
- 10:30 **Uncommon Presentations of Common Illnesses in the Emergency Department**
(Rx = 10 minutes)
Kenneth Jackimczyk, MD
- 11:15 **New Drugs & Devices That Might Change Your Practice** (Rx = 40 minutes)
Joseph Lex, MD
- Noon **Medico-Legal Cases from Real Life**
Rita Cydulka, MD, MS
- 12:45 **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 INFORMATION

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

	EARLY	REGULAR
	<i>If postmarked by December 1, 2010</i>	<i>If postmarked after December 1, 2010</i>
Physicians	\$610	\$660
Residents, PA's & Nurses	\$510	\$560
- Tuition includes continuing education certification, extensive conference syllabus, continental breakfast, group reception and refreshments.
- **Tuition may be paid by check, money order, Visa, MasterCard or Discover.**
- **Register on-line at www.symposiamedicus.org or by using the form in this brochure.**
- **If paying by check, make payable to Symposia Medicus, and send with registration form to 399 Taylor Blvd., Suite 201, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523-2287; OR**
- **Telephone registrations can be made Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm (Pacific Time), by calling (925) 969-1789 or (800) 327-3161. Registrations may also be faxed if paying with Visa, MasterCard or Discover Card to (925) 969-1795.**
- Conference registration will be confirmed in writing and more information on travel and hotel will be sent.
- **Conference cancellations must be confirmed in writing and a 10% of paid tuition processing fee will be assessed. No refunds will be made if cancellation is postmarked after January 5, 2011; however, tuition, less 10% processing fee, may be applied to a future Symposia Medicus conference. In the event of conference cancellation by Symposia Medicus, full tuition refunds will be made.**
- This conference meets the requirements for CE tax deductibility; however, we suggest you consult your financial authority for more information.
- For additional conference or lodging information, call Symposia Medicus at (800) 327-3161 or (925) 969-1789 or email us at info@symposiamedicus.org.
- For information on air reservations and ticketing assistance, you may either call the airlines direct or your travel agent. **Please see the Airline Travel Information portion of this brochure for further information.**

AIR TRAVEL INFORMATION

You will fly into the **Luis Munoz Marin International San Juan Airport**, which is **approximately 8 miles from the Conrad San Juan Condado Plaza Hotel.**

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

American Convention Desk:	For discounts on American Airline flights, please book online at www.aa.com and insert 6621AZ into the promotion code box. For questions, please call the American Airlines Convention Desk at (800) 433-1790.	
Jet Blue Convention Desk:	For discounts on Jet Blue Airlines flights, please book online at www.jetblue.com/promo and insert symposia1169 into the promotion code box. This discount is only available online.	
United Airlines Convention Desk:	(800) 521-4041	563JI

CONFERENCE LODGING INFORMATION

Group rates have been arranged at the Conrad San Juan Condado Plaza Hotel in San Juan. These rates will also be **available three days before and three days after the conference, based on availability, if you wish to extend your stay.**

Two nights' deposit (room rate only) must accompany your reservation. The balance of lodging payment, as well as any incidental charges, is due to the hotel upon checkout. The hotel accepts most major credit cards.

You will receive these group rates by:

- Reserving on-line on our website at www.symposiamedicus.org
- Reserving by phone Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm (Pacific Time), by calling (925) 969-1789 or (800) 327-3161
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Please note that our block of rooms is limited and are on a first come, first served basis. PLEASE RESERVE EARLY as rooms may sell out and/or room rates may increase.

GROUP RATES STATED BELOW ARE SINGLE/DOUBLE OCCUPANCY:

Room Types	Rates	Descriptions
Bahia Vista (Laguna View)	\$195/night	Located in the Laguna Tower. Rooms are approx. 290 sq ft. and have views of the bay and city. Rooms feature oversized private balconies.
Ocean Vista (Ocean View)	\$245/night	Located in the Ocean Tower. Rooms are approx. 400-500 sq ft. and have view of the ocean. Rooms feature private balconies and walk-in closet.
<p>All rooms feature high-speed internet access, ergonomic chairs and workstations, premium-cable television, botanical-based bathroom amenities, coffeemaker with coffee and tea, cordless dual-line telephone, refrigerator and in-room safety box. Resort fee (14% of the room rate) is waived if lodging reservations are made through Symposia Medicus. This includes access to 24-hour fitness center, unlimited local and 800 phone calls, tennis court access (based on availability), \$25 casino match bet coupon and/or 500 bonus points for joining the casino jackpot club redeemable at Players Service Desk (one per room upon arrival in your key packet), and Pool ambassador.</p>		

Room rates do not include (subject to change):

- State & local taxes, fees & assessments, currently 11%
- One time bellman gratuity charge of \$5.25 per person (for all guests 16 years and older)
- Room attendant fee of \$0.50 per room, per day
- Maximum room occupancy is 4 (regardless of age).
- Children 18 years and under are complimentary in room with adults
- Adults (19 & over) are an additional \$30.00 each per night, includes taxes & gratuities
- Check-in time is 4:00pm; check-out time is 12:00pm. **A late check-out can only be confirmed on the date of departure by the front desk. Additional charges of \$100 will apply for late check outs and are based upon availability.**
- To avoid an early departure fee equal to one night's room and tax, changes must be made to your confirmed departure date at time of check-in.
- Cribs are complimentary (subject to availability).
- A 30-minute break has been allotted in our conference schedule on Saturday for those needing to check out.
- **Per our hotel group contract, hotel cancellations must be made in writing to Symposia Medicus and you will receive a full refund of hotel deposit if postmarked by December 8, 2010. Between December 9, 2010 and January 5, 2011, one night's deposit is forfeited. After January 5, 2011, no hotel refunds can be made. All cancellations must be made in writing and postmarked by the dates stated above.**

CONFERENCE LOCATION

As one of the oldest and most diversified cultures in the world, Puerto Rico is a vibrant, modern, bilingual, multicultural society, one that has been molded by Spanish, African, Indian and U.S. influences. Twenty-first century conveniences in an alluring sixteenth century historical setting... both ultra-modern and bewitchingly exotic. Puerto Rico is truly the Island of Enchantment and the host for our **22nd Annual Winter Conference on Emergency Medicine**.

The **Conrad San Juan Condado Plaza Hotel** is located on the Condado Strip, and is the only San Juan luxury hotel overlooking the Atlantic Ocean and Condado Lagoon. The hotel offers easy access to renowned museums, historic landmarks, and a sizzling nightlife and is only five minutes from historic Old San Juan.

The rooms at the Conrad San Juan Condado Plaza Hotel offer a private balcony, refrigerator, high-speed internet access, ergonomic chairs and oversized workstations, LCD Flat screen TV with in-room movies and premium cable television, coffeemaker, in-room safe, and bath amenities including botanical-based shampoos, conditioners, soaps and lotions. The resort fee normally charged to each guest room (but waived for our group rated rooms) includes WiFi, fitness center, local & 800 calls, tennis courts, in-room coffee, and pool amenities.

Swim in the clear waters off Puerto Rico, with incredible coral reefs and miles of pristine beaches. Enjoy **water sports** such as **parasailing, wave runners, fishing, sailing, diving and snorkeling**. Make sure you take advantage of the activities on land too - **with two tennis courts, three refreshing pools, waterslide, fitness center with steam and sauna rooms, a 24-hour casino, and nearby golf courses**, all in the most exceptional of settings.

Fine restaurants include Gusta di Italia, a casual delicious classic Italian eatery and the Strip House, which serves up delectable steaks in a boudoir-red interior. The Eight Noodle Bar, outside the casino, has become one of the favorite late-night snacking spots for San Juan's party set, with its kitchen open from noon to 4am daily.

Whatever your pleasure, you won't want to miss our **22nd Annual Winter Conference on Emergency Medicine** in the beautiful surroundings of San Juan, Puerto Rico.

2010 CALENDAR OF FUTURE CONFERENCES

1152	6th Annual Summer Conference on Emergency Medicine	Alaska Cruise (<i>Celebrity Cruise - Infinity</i>)	Jul 30-Aug 6
1146	Hot Topics in Pediatrics	Bermuda Cruise (<i>Royal Caribbean Cruise - Explorer of the Seas</i>)	Jul 31-Aug 5
1154	Challenges in Obstetrics & Gynecology	Mediterranean Cruise (<i>Celebrity Cruise - Constellation</i>)	Sep 25-Oct 2
1158	26th Annual Fall Conference on Pediatric Emergencies	Atlantis Resort, Bahamas	Oct 13-16
1161	21st Annual Conference on Hot Topics in Primary Care Medicine	Maui, Hawaii	Nov 10-13
1164	11th Annual Fall Conference on Emergency Medicine	St. John, USVI	Nov 17-20
1162	2nd Annual Conference on Emergencies in Pediatrics	New York City, New York	Dec 17-18
1166	16th Annual Conference on Challenges in Gynecology	New York City, New York	Dec 17-18
1167	14th Annual Conference on Emergencies in Primary Care	New York City, New York	Dec 17-18

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1171	18th Annual Winter Conference on Primary Care Medicine	Big Sky, Montana	Feb 22-26
1172	11th Annual Winter Conference on Pediatric Emergencies	Breckenridge, Colorado	Mar 1-5
1176	22nd Annual Spring Conference on Pediatrics	Aruba, Dutch Caribbean	Mar 23-26
1177	10th Annual Spring Conference on Challenges in Primary Care Medicine	Guanacaste, Costa Rica	Apr 6-9
1179	15th Annual Spring Conference on Pediatric Emergencies	Big Island, Hawaii	Apr 13-16
1186	7th Annual Summer Conference on Emergency Medicine	Napa, California	Jun 22-25
1188	Current Issues in OB/GYN	Alaska Cruise (<i>Celebrity Cruises - Infinity</i>)	Jul 29-Aug 5

For more information on any of these conferences, please write to: Symposia Medicus, 399 Taylor Blvd., Suite 201, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523-2287; call (800) 327-3161 or (925) 969-1789; email us at info@symposiamedicus.org; OR visit our website at www.symposiamedicus.org to view brochures of upcoming conferences. Brochures are available 6-8 months prior to conference.



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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT (Show name and **one** degree as you would like it printed on your conference materials):

Registrant's Name: _____ Degree: _____
First Last

Registrant's Mailing Address: _____
Street City State Zip

If this is a hospital or office address, please show name/suite # here: _____

Work: (_____) Home: (_____) Fax: (_____) _____

Cell: (_____) E-mail: _____

Professional Specialty: _____ Name of Hospital or Workplace: _____

Do you have a copy of the brochure for this conference? Yes _____ No _____

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FRIDAY WORKSHOP SESSIONS (Please refer to schedule and select one workshop for each session):

Session One: ___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D Session Two: ___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D

LODGING RESERVATIONS

Please reserve accommodations at the **Conrad San Juan Condado Plaza Hotel** for:

Arrival: _____ / _____ / _____ Departure: _____ / _____ / _____
(DAY of the week) Month Day Year (DAY of the week) Month Day Year

Group Rates (Single/Double Occupancy):

Bahia Vista (Laguna View)	\$195/night
Ocean Vista (Ocean View)	\$245/night

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Preferred Bed Type: King/Queen _____ Two Double Beds _____ (Bed type not guaranteed)

Names of All Room Occupants (and ages, if children) _____

Please circle names of room occupants (other than you) who are registered for this conference

Other Comments/Requests _____

TUITION AMOUNT DUE	TWO NIGHTS' LODGING DEPOSIT - ROOM RATE ONLY <small>(Note: Balance of hotel charges will be due to hotel upon check-out)</small>	TOTAL
\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

Payment Type (Please Check One): ___ Check (Please Enclose) ___ Visa ___ MasterCard ___ Discover

Card Number	Expiration Date Month/Year	Security # <small>(last 3 digits on back of credit card)</small>
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Cardholder's Name: _____ Signature: _____

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(if different from above) Street City State Zip

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