



2025 Emergency Medicine Conference

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Speaker(s): Allison Savon, DO; Joel Moll, MD; Emily Kershner, MD; Michael Joyce, MD; Danielle Nesbit, DO; Alexandra Farthing, MD, MPH

Topic: Recurring weekly topics in emergency medicine practice for residents and faculty. 5 hours of topics per week in lecture, group, and simulation formats. CME will be offered to faculty for the hours that are designated CME available, up to 3 hours per week.

Location:

Specialties: Emergency Medicine, Physicians

Faculty Disclosures:

Allison Savon, DO (Nothing to disclose - 02/13/2025)

Joel Moll, MD (Nothing to disclose - 07/09/2025)

Emily Kershner, MD (Nothing to disclose - 03/07/2025)

Michael Joyce, MD (Nothing to disclose - 10/07/2025)

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Danielle Nesbit, DO (Nothing to disclose - 07/31/2025)

Alexandra Farthing, MD, MPH (Nothing to disclose - 07/09/2025)

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Purpose or Objectives: At the conclusion of this activity, the participant will be able to:

- 1 Apply emergency medicine principles to the assessment and management of acute infectious disease presentations, including sepsis, meningitis, pneumonia, urinary tract infections, cellulitis, necrotizing soft tissue infections, and emerging infectious threats, ensuring rapid stabilization and patient safety
- 2 Demonstrate competency in performing focused infectious disease evaluations, including targeted history-taking (exposures, travel, immunization status, comorbidities), physical exam findings, and interpretation of laboratory and imaging studies within the time constraints of the emergency department
- 3 Utilize evidence-based protocols and clinical decision tools (e.g., Surviving Sepsis Campaign guidelines, CURB-65, Pneumonia Severity Index, SIRS/qSOFA criteria) to guide the diagnosis, resuscitation, antimicrobial selection, and disposition of at least 90% of infectious disease presentations
- 4 Explain, describe, and demonstrate emergency procedures relevant to infectious disease care, such as lumbar puncture, abscess incision and drainage, line placement for resuscitation, and appropriate isolation precautions for patients with suspected communicable disease
- 5 Employ effective communication strategies tailored to infectious emergencies, including clear explanation of isolation needs, risk communication with patients and families, and collaboration with public health officials when required
- 6 Engage with interprofessional team members, including infectious disease consultants, microbiology, pharmacy, nursing, and infection control, to coordinate antimicrobial stewardship, ensure patient safety, and facilitate appropriate follow-up or admission



7 Incorporate real-time observation and feedback in real clinical and simulated cases to improve diagnostic accuracy, refine decision-making in antimicrobial selection, and enhance situational awareness during high-acuity infectious disease encounters, particularly in sepsis and rapidly deteriorating patients

Date/Time: 10/15/2025 8:00:00 AM

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