

2025 California Thoracic Society Annual Educational Conference & Pulmonary Hypertension Symposium

Thursday March 20, 2025-Sunday March 23, 2025

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Thursday March 20, 2025 (5.5 CME/CEU/MOC Credits)

Pulmonary Hypertension Symposium

Friday March 21, 2025 (6.5 CME/CEU/MOC Credits):

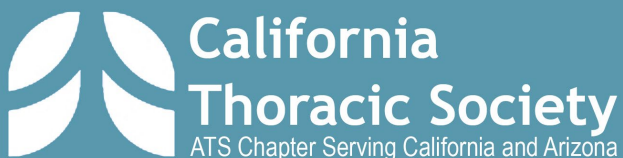
Prevention of Respiratory Pathogens, Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome, Neuromuscular
Disorders and Mechanical Ventilation

Saturday March 22, 2025 (7 CME/CEU/MOC Credits)

Environmental and Occupational Exposures, Asthma, Interstitial Lung Disease

Sunday March 23, 2025

Fellow and Resident Track Symposium



Course Information

Activity Overview

This conference brings together regional and national experts to discuss the latest advances in Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine.

- Thursday is dedicated to a multidisciplinary symposium on pulmonary hypertension which will cover the update from the 7th World Symposium on Pulmonary Hypertension, the new treatment algorithm, the diagnostic groups, and critical care management in patients with severe pulmonary hypertension.
- Friday will cover the topics of prevention of respiratory pathogens, updates on acute respiratory distress syndrome and management of neuromuscular disorders.
- Saturday will cover environmental and occupational exposures, management of asthma and atopic pulmonary disease, as well as a multidisciplinary approach to interstitial lung disease.

Target Audience

The program is designed for Pulmonologists, Critical Care Physicians, Internal Medicine Physicians, Hospitalists, Radiologists, Sleep Specialists, In-Training Fellows and Residents, Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistants, Registered Nurses, Respiratory Therapists, Sleep Technologists, Pharmacists, and other healthcare professionals in the fields of Pulmonary, Critical Care, and Sleep Medicine.

Learning Objectives

- Discuss the major changes in diagnosis and management for patients with pulmonary hypertension after the recent 7th World Symposium on Pulmonary Hypertension.
- Describe the nuances of diagnosis and management in patients with Group 2, Group 3, and Group 4 pulmonary hypertension, and how it differs from patients with Group 1 Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension.
- Recognize the complexities of the critically ill patient with pulmonary hypertension.
- Describe how to best prevent and treat respiratory pathogens.
- Discuss the major updates to diagnosis and management in patients with Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome, and the nuances of ventilator management and mechanical circulator support in this population.
- Recognize how to best use non-invasive ventilation and airway clearance in patients with neuromuscular disorders, including cerebral palsy and respiratory failure from amyotrophic lateral sclerosis.
- Discuss the impact of climate change and occupational exposures on respiratory health.
- Describe the impacts of wildfire exposure and silica dust exposure on lung disease.
- Describe the major changes in management following the recent Global Initiative for Asthma guidelines, the role of biologics in asthma, and how to define clinical remission.
- Recognize that interstitial lung disease is a spectrum from interstitial lung abnormalities to end-stage fibrosis.
- Describe how to make the diagnosis in interstitial lung disease and best treatments.

CME Statement

Criteria for Success for Physicians, Physician Assistants, and Nurse Practitioners

Statements of credit will be awarded based on the participant's attendance. A statement of credit will be available upon completion of an online evaluation/claim credit form. Please claim your credit by April 25, 2025. If you have questions about this CE activity, please contact AKH Inc at tbrignoni@akhcme.com



CE credit provided by AKH Inc., Advancing Knowledge in Healthcare

In support of improving patient care, this activity has been planned and implemented by AKH Inc., Advancing Knowledge in Healthcare and California Thoracic Society (CTS). AKH Inc., Advancing Knowledge in Healthcare is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the healthcare team.



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Physicians

AKH Inc., Advancing Knowledge in Healthcare designates this live activity for a maximum of 19 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.



Successful completion of this CME activity, which includes participation in the evaluation component, enables the participant to earn up to 19 MOC points in the American Board of Internal Medicine's (ABIM) Maintenance of Certification (MOC) program. Participants will earn MOC points equivalent to the amount of CME credits claimed for the activity. It is the CME activity provider's responsibility to submit participant completion information to ACCME for the purpose of granting ABIM MOC credit.

Physicians Associates



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Nurse Practitioners



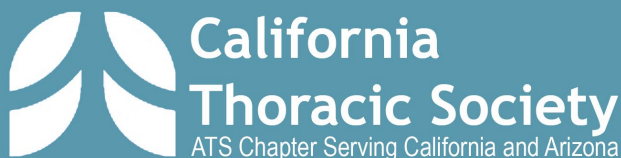
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Continuing Education for Nurses, Respiratory Therapists, Respiratory Care Practitioners, and Other Associates

The California Thoracic Society is approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider #CEP599 for a total of 19 contact hours. Note: 5.5 CEU credits are available for Thursday; 6.5 CEU credits are available for Friday; 7 CEU credits are available for Saturday. The course meets the requirements for CE for RCPs in California. Attendees should only claim credits commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Commercial Support

Full notification of commercial support will be provided in the final activity syllabus.



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Thursday March 20, 2025

Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension

11:00 am - 11:45 am – Interpreting the 2024 World Symposium on Pulmonary Hypertension from the US perspective

- **Sonja Bartolome, MD MBA (UT Southwestern)** – This speaker will discuss the new hemodynamic definition of PH, the recommended approach to diagnosis, recommended reasons for referral to expert centers, and changes to the classification of diagnostic groups

11:45 am - 12:10 pm – Echocardiography and right heart catheterization for the pulmonologist

- **Marc Simon, MD (UCSF)** – This speaker will break down the key features pulmonologists need to know about imaging of the right heart, and will go through the basics of cardiac catheterization including when to consider exercise testing

12:10 pm - 12:35 pm – Understanding PAH-specific therapy and the treatment algorithm in Group 1 PAH

- **Karim El-Kersh, MD (Arizona)** – This speaker will review the currently approved therapies for treatment of Group 1 PAH, the recommended treatment algorithm, and the benefits of pulmonary rehabilitation

12:35 pm - 12:50 pm – Debate: The hemodynamic definition of PAH should be 2 wood units

- **Jeffrey S. Sager, MD (Medical Corporation/USC)** – In this pro/con debate, the speaker will argue in favor of the reduction of the pulmonary vascular resistance to 2 wood units

12:50 pm - 1:05 pm – Debate: the hemodynamic definition of PAH should be 3 wood units

- **Richard Channick, MD (UCLA)** – In this pro/con debate, the speaker will argue against the reduction of the pulmonary vascular resistance to 2 wood units

1:05 pm - 1:15 pm – Q&A

Lunch: 1:15 - 2:15 pm

Associated Pulmonary Hypertension

2:15 pm – 2:40 pm – Novel Developments in Group 2 PH

- **Pooja Prasad, MD (UCSF)** – This speaker will discuss the status of diagnosis and treatment of patients with Group 2 PH, including a review of fluid loading in cardiac catheterization and ICU management of patients with Group 2 PH

2:40 pm – 3:05 pm – Novel Developments in Group 3 PH

- **Namita Sood, MD (UC Davis)** – This speaker will discuss when and how to screen for PH in patients with parenchymal lung disease, as well as the current treatment paradigm in ILD-PH and COPD-PH

3:05 pm – 3:30 pm – Novel Developments in Group 4 PH

- **Jenny Yang, MD (UC San Diego)** – This speaker will discuss how to screen for and diagnose Group 4 PH, the treatment algorithm, and how to best provide long term care and follow up

3:30 pm – 3:40 pm – Q&A

Coffee Break with exhibitors: 3:40 pm – 4:20 pm

Care Delivery for Unique Populations with Pulmonary Hypertension

4:20 pm – 4:45 pm – ICU Management of patients with PAH

- **Yuri Matusov, MD (Cedars Sinai)** – This speaker will discuss how to approach the patient with right ventricular failure who presents to the ICU, implications of mechanical ventilation on the pulmonary vasculature and considerations of choosing vasoactive agents

4:45 pm – 5:10 pm – ECMO and Lung Transplantation for PAH

- **Nicholas Kolaitis, MD (UCSF)** – This speaker will discuss the use of extracorporeal membrane oxygenation and lung transplantation in patients with PAH

5:10 pm – 5:35 pm – Understanding Pediatric PH

- **Rachel Hopper, MD (Stanford)** – This speaker will discuss how pediatric pulmonary hypertension differs from adult pulmonary hypertension, the unique disease state of persistent pulmonary hypertension of the newborn, and how treatment algorithms differ in young patients

5:35 pm – 6:00 pm – Understanding disparities in pulmonary vascular disease

- **Dafne Moretta, MD (Loma Linda)** – This speaker will discuss how social determinants of health impact patients with pulmonary vascular disease

6:00 pm – 6:10 pm – Q&A

Friday March 21, 2025

Prevention of Respiratory Pathogens

8:00 am – 8:10 am: Welcome and Introduction

8:10 am – 8:55 am: Keynote Address – Preventing RSV: Providing Older Patients with the Information They Need

- Justin Ortiz, MD MS (University of Maryland) - This speaker will discuss the epidemiology of respiratory syncytial virus and how it can be prevented through vaccination

8:55 am – 9:20 am: Preventing Community Acquired Respiratory Pathogens through vaccination

- Michele Maison-Fomotar, MD, MSc (UCSF-Fresno) This speaker will discuss the epidemiology of non-RSV respiratory pathogens and how they can be mitigated through vaccination

9:20 am – 9:45 am: Prevention and Treatment of Ventilator Associated Pneumonia

- Sairam Parthasarathy, MD (U of Arizona) This speaker will discuss diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of ventilator associated pneumonia

9:45 am – 9:55 am: Question and Answer

9:55 am – 10:25 am: Break

Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome

10:25 am – 10:50 am: Update on ARDS Management Strategies and the role of steroids in severe CAP and ARDS

- Jeff Gotts, MD (Kaiser San Francisco) This speaker will provide updates in ARDS diagnosis and management, including the proposed new global definition of ARDS, updates on referral to ECMO, and the role of steroids in severe CAP/ARDS.

10:50 am – 11:15 am: Pediatric Acute Lung Injury Management

- Theresa Cantu, MSRC RRT-NPS (Valley Children's Healthcare/San Joaquin Valley College) This speaker will review updated guidelines for diagnosis and management of pediatric ARDS including ventilator management and ECMO.

11:15 am – 11:40 am: Oxygen Targets in Respiratory Failure

- Brian Smith, MSc RRT (UC Davis) This speaker will review how to choose the optimal oxygen target in acute respiratory failure, as well as highlight limitations in the accuracy of peripheral oxygen saturation values.

11:40 am – 11:55 am: Pro: Early intubation is preferential for the patient with ARDS on HFNC

- Christiana Hayward, MD (Harbor-UCLA) This speaker will argue in favor of early intubation for patients with ARDS on HFNC.

11:55 am – 12:10 pm: Con: Late intubation is preferential for the patient with ARDS on HFNC

- Kathryn Bilello, MD (UCSF Fresno) This speaker will argue in favor of late intubation for patients with ARDS on HFNC.

12:10 pm – 12:20 pm: Question and Answer

12:20 pm – 12:40 pm: Awards Ceremony

12:40 pm – 1:40 pm: Lunch

Hands On Session:

1:40 pm – 2:40 pm: Airway Clearance (Joe Van Vleet, RRT – UCLA); Vent Management in ARDS (Justin Phillips, RRT – ZSFG); Non-Invasive Ventilation (Gaurav Singh, MD – Stanford); High Flow Nasal Cannula (Naomi Bugayong, MSRC, RRT – UC Davis)

2:40 pm – 3:10 pm: Break

Neuromuscular disorders

3:10 pm – 3:35 pm: Understanding the spectrum of neuromuscular diseases

- Chamindra Laverly, MD (Rady Children's/UCSD) This speaker will discuss the spectrum of various neuromuscular diseases, the pathophysiology, and the clinical implications of neuromuscular disease.

3:35 pm – 4:00 pm: Management considerations in patients with neuromuscular disorders

- Jacob Bailey, MD (UCSD) This speaker will discuss management options in patients with neuromuscular disease, including when to consider tracheostomy, who needs airway clearance, and when to initiate non-invasive ventilation

4:00 pm – 4:25 pm: Airway Clearance Modalities

- Joseph Van Vleet, BSRC, RRT (UCLA) This speaker will discuss airway clearance modalities and how to effectively perform airway clearance when the patient is not able to actively participate

4:25 pm – 4:50 pm: Non-Invasive Ventilation Basics

- Hugo Paz Y Mar, MD (UC Irvine) This speaker will discuss how non-invasive ventilation can be employed to manage patients with hypercarbia from neuromuscular disease.

4:50 pm – 5:00 pm: Question and Answer

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm: Women in Pulmonary, Critical Care, and Sleep Medicine (NON-CME) – Food and beverages will be served

Forum Leaders: Tisha Wang, MD (UCLA) and Jessica Goggin PhD, MAS, RN (UC San Diego Health)

Saturday March 22, 2025

Environmental and Occupational Exposures

8:00 am – 8:10 am: Welcome and Introduction

8:10 am – 8:55 am: Keynote Address – The impact of air pollution and climate change on lung disease

- Mary Rice, MD (Harvard/Beth Israel Deaconess) This speaker will discuss the impact of air pollution and climate change on various lung diseases

8:55 am – 9:20 am: The changing patterns of allergens due to climate change and mitigation of environmental exposures

- Jyothi Tirumalasetty, MD (Stanford) This speaker will describe the changing allergens relevant to recent climate change and how providers can best equip patients to mitigate environmental exposures

9:20 am – 9:45 am: Occupational lung disease and the new epidemic of silicosis in California

- Sheiphali Gandhi, MD, MPH (UCSF/San Francisco VA) This speaker will provide an overview of occupational lung diseases and will provide insight into the growing epidemic of silicosis amongst stone cutters

9:45-9:55 am Question and Answer

9:55 am – 10:25 am: Break

Asthma/Atopic Airways Disease

10:25 am – 10:50 am: The new GINA Guidelines, what you need to know

- Reika Miyokawa, MD (Santa Clara Valley MC) This speaker will discuss updates from the 2024 GINA guidelines on the diagnosis and treatment of asthma, including the role of anti-inflammatory and maintenance and reliever therapy.

10:50 am – 11:15 am: The role of Th2 inflammation in airways diseases

- Praveen Akuthota, MD (UCSD) This speaker will discuss how Th2 inflammation may contribute to the pathology of lung diseases other than asthma, including COPD, CF, and non-CF bronchiectasis) and the potential role for biologic therapy.

11:15 am – 11:40 pm: Update on the role of biologics in Asthma and Atopic Disease

- Monica Tang, MD (UCSF) This speaker will discuss updates on the use of biologics in asthma and other atopic diseases, including indications for use and assessment of response, as well as new and upcoming biologic indications

11:40 pm – 11:55 pm: Pro: Clinical Remission is possible in asthma

- Shazia Luffeali, MD (Cedars-Sinai) This speaker will argue that clinical remission should be targeted when treating asthma.

11:55 pm – 12:10 pm: Con: Clinical Remission is not possible in Asthma

- Nicholas Kenyon, MD (UC Davis) This speaker will argue that clinical remission should not be target when treating asthma.

12:10 pm – 12:20 pm: Question and Answer

12:20 pm – 1:20 pm: Lunch

Hands-On Session:

1:20 pm – 2:20 pm: DIY Air Filters Sheiphali Gandhi, MD, MPH (UCSF/SF VA); Cryobiopsy Tools Joon Chang, MD (Stanford); Respirators/Face Masks Emily Casabar, NP (Stanford); FeNO/Portable Spirometry Julieanne Garcia, RRT (VA Palo Alto)

2:20 pm – 2:45 pm: Break

Interstitial Lung Disease

2:45 pm – 3:10 pm: From ILA to PPF: Understanding the Alphabet Soup

- Toby Maher, MD (USC) This speaker will discuss the latest updates on the clinical significance and management of interstitial lung abnormalities, and the latest updates on the diagnosis, treatment, and monitoring of ILD.

3:10 pm – 3:35 pm: Imaging patterns in Interstitial Lung Disease

- Lila Pourzand, MD (UCLA) This speaker will provide an overview of ILD imaging patterns and how to differentiate them.

3:35 pm – 4:00 pm: Invasive testing to make the diagnosis in ILD: From BAL to open lung biopsy

- Niranjan Jeganathan, MD (Loma Linda) This speaker will discuss indications, diagnostic yield, and risks of invasive tests in evaluating ILD, including BAL analysis, transbronchial biopsy (with genomic classifier), cryobiopsy, and surgical biopsy

4:00 pm – 4:25 pm: When to use immunosuppressants and antifibrotics in non-IPF ILD

- Gabrielle Liu, MD (UC Davis) The speaker will discuss the evidence on the use of immunosuppressants and antifibrotics in non-IPF ILD, with a focus on connective tissue disease associated ILD and chronic hypersensitivity pneumonitis.

4:25 pm – 4:50 pm: Multidisciplinary Fellows Case Conference

- Stephanie Ji Chen, MD (Stanford) This will be a panel discussion that will simulate an ILD multidisciplinary discussion.

4:50pm – 5:00 pm: Question and Answer

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm: Trainee Poster Competition (NON-CME) – Food and beverages will be served

Trainee Poster Competition

Saturday March 22, 2025

Competition information

The California Thoracic Society (CTS) poster competition is open to all trainees and early career professionals, including residents, fellows, nurses/NPs, and respiratory therapists who reside in the state of California. We are calling for both scientific research abstracts and case reports pertaining to pulmonary medicine, thoracic imaging, thoracic surgery, critical care, or sleep medicine. If you have a great case or research abstract you are submitting to ATS, please feel free to submit your abstract to the CTS poster competition- you can present the same case/research at both conferences.

Accepted abstracts will be notified after February 7, 2025.

Industry posters are allowed for an additional sponsorship fee - They will not participate in the competition and will not get the abstract registration discount.

Submission link

<https://calthoracic.org/2025-poster-abstract-submission>

Awards

President's Award - Best Overall Abstract
Outstanding Research Abstract
Outstanding Critical Care Case Report
Outstanding Pulmonary Case Report

Poster Information

- Recommended Size: 48"w x 36"h (122cm w x 91cm h) - You can use the same poster for CTS and ATS
- Please plan to hang your poster up by 4:30 pm on Saturday March 22, 2025
- Location is in the Portola Room (in the lobby) of the Portola Hotel and Spa
- All presenters must be registered for the conference and trainee presenters receive discounted registration
- We will provide tape to affix your posters to the poster boards

Registration

Abstract presenters are required to register for the main conference and are encouraged to attend.



Resident/Fellows Track Symposium

Sunday March 23, 2025

8:00 am – 9:00 am: Board and Faculty Breakfast with Presentation

9:00 am – 11:00 am: These two sessions will run for one hour and trainees will attend both sessions

Session 1: Enhancing Research Skills for Trainees: This session will focus on improving participants' research competencies, from preparing effective poster presentations to navigating the manuscript submission process. Attendees will gain practical tools to elevate their academic contributions.

Session 2: Building Effective Mentorship Relationships

This session will explore the dual aspects of mentorship, from how to find and cultivate relationships with mentors, to how trainees can become effective mentees. The session concludes with interactive breakout discussions to foster direct mentor-mentee connections.

Enhancing Research Skills for Trainees

Finding Your Research Path: Identifying Topics and Opportunities

- **Hayley Barnes, MD (UCSF)** Get practical advice on how to identify research interests, collaborate with established investigators, and become involved in ongoing projects that align with your academic goals as a trainee.

Maximizing Manuscript Acceptance: Selecting the Right Journal and Perfecting Your Submission

- **Angela Rogers, MD (Stanford)** Discuss manuscript requirements and organization, explore strategies for choosing the most suitable journal for your work and preparing a manuscript that stands out, enhancing your chances of publication.

Mastering Your First Presentations: Key Tips for Success

- **Nicholas Kolaitis, MD (UCSF)** Learn how to create an impactful podium and poster presentation with a focus on clear communication, effective design, and concise data visualization.

Building Effective Mentorship Relationships

Identifying the Right Mentor: A Guide to Navigating Professional Relationships

- **Brooks Thomas Kuhn, MD, MAS (UC Davis)** Discover how to find a mentor who aligns with your career aspirations, offers meaningful guidance, and helps you achieve professional growth.

Becoming a High-Impact Mentee: Making the Most of Mentorship

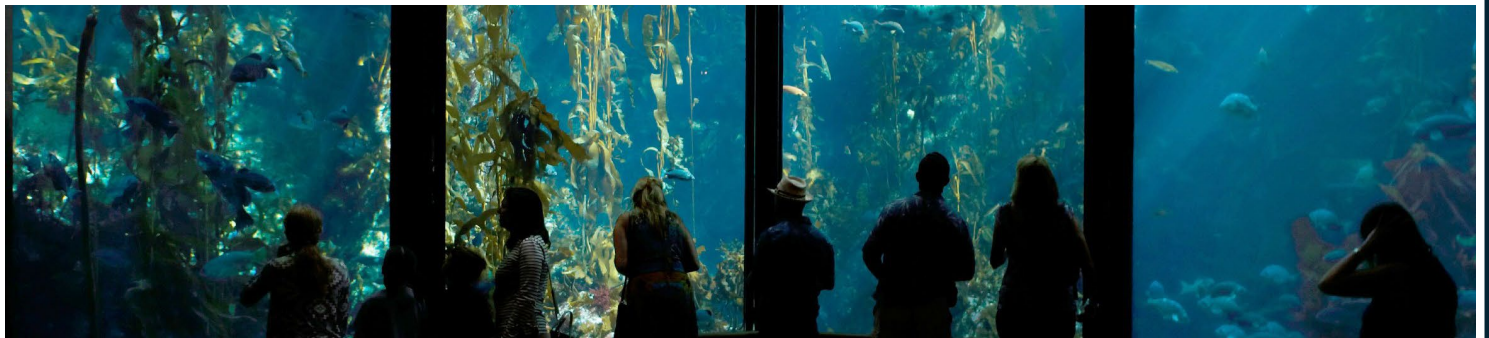
- **Michelle Cao, DO (Stanford)** Learn the key attributes of successful mentees, including setting clear goals, seeking feedback, and driving your development within the mentor-mentee dynamic.

Interactive Mentorship Breakout: One-on-One or Small Group Sessions

- Participate in focused discussions with experienced mentors to gain personalized advice, ask questions, and build valuable professional connections.

11:00 am – 12:15 pm: Problem-Based Learning (NON-CME)

12:15 pm – 12:30 pm: Wrap-Up



Non Educational Content

Non-CME Events

Thursday March 20, 2025

10:00 am – 11:00 am: Brunch with Presentation (Sponsor: Merck, Topic: **Spotlight on a Treatment Option for Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension (PAH)**)

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm: Conference Meet and Greet Welcome Reception and Presentation (Sponsor: Sanofi/Regeneron, Topic: **A Breakthrough Therapy In COPD**)

Friday March 21, 2025

7:00 am – 7:45 am: Breakfast with Presentation (Sponsor: Electromed, Topic: **Case Report Analysis: Targeted Team Approach for Early Identification of Bronchiectasis & HFCWO Treatment**)

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm: **Women in Pulmonary, Critical Care, and Sleep Medicine**

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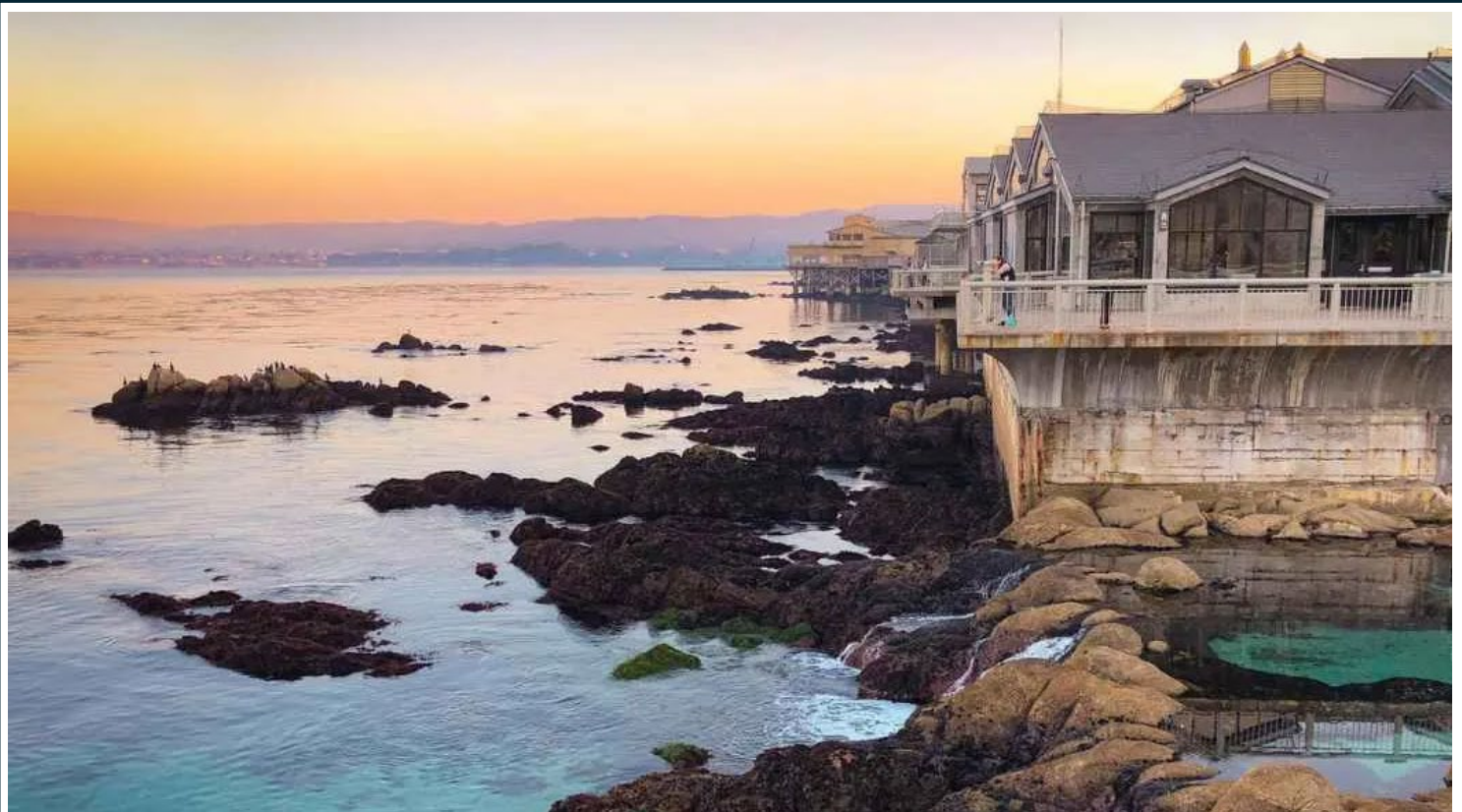
7:00 am – 7:45 am: Breakfast with Presentation (Sponsor: Insmad, Topic: **Clearing the air on bronchiectasis exacerbations: Burden, causes, and management of exacerbations**)

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm: **Trainee Poster Competition** (Sponsor: Liquidia)

Sunday March 23, 2025

8:00 am – 9:00 am: Board and Fellow Breakfast with Presentation (Sponsor: Sanofi/Regeneron, Topic: **Explore the Clinical Implications of Uncontrolled Type 2 Inflammation in Asthma and COPD**)

11:00 am – 12:15 pm: Trainee Career Pathway and Problem-Based Learning (Sponsor: Sanofi/Regeneron, Topic: **DSA PBL: Implications of Systemic and Localized Type 2 Inflammation for Patients with Asthma**)



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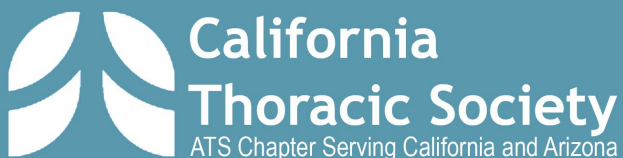
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get the group rate.



Become a member

Memberships

CTS membership is open to MDs, DOs, PhDs, RNs with advanced training, RCPs, CPTs, RPTs, PFTs, RPSGTs, and AE-Cs.

Save on conference registration!

Individual Memberships

- Individual Membership – \$135 – Can sign up through parent society American Thoracic Society as well
- Small Group Practice (up to 5 physicians) – \$350
- Associate Membership (Health Care Professionals in training, fellows, interns, residents, students) – \$75
- Emeritus Membership (Age of 70+ and retired) – \$50

Institutional Memberships

- Platinum Plus – \$5000 – Unlimited Memberships for Faculty/Attending Physicians, Program Directors, Associates and Trainees. Includes 6 registrations for the 2025 Annual Conference. Includes 50% off registration (compared to non-CTS members) for the 2025 Annual Conference for all Trainees.
- Platinum – \$2500 – Up to 15 individual Memberships for Faculty/Attending Physicians, Program Directors and Associates. Unlimited memberships for Trainees. Includes 3 registrations for the 2025 Annual Conference. Includes 50% off registration (compared to non-CTS members) for the 2025 Annual Conference for all Trainees.
- Physician Group Practice Level – \$495 – Up to 6 individuals (additional individuals at prorated rate).

Looking for a job or to hire

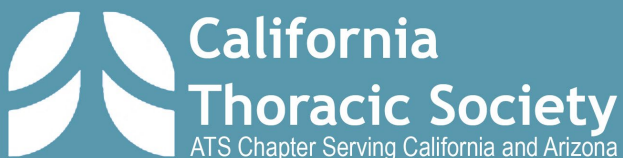
Are you looking for a job in the field of Pulmonary, Critical Care, or Sleep Medicine?

Are you looking to hire someone for your open position?

Check out the California Thoracic Society Job Board.

<https://jobboard.calthoracic.org/>

Posting on the CTS Job Board and adding the National Healthcare Career Network Posting will post your job to CTS, ATS, and many other professional societies.



Registration

Registration Link

<https://calthoracic.org/events/2025-annual-educational-conference-non-cts-members/>

	1 Day Registration		2 Day Registration		3 Day Registration	
	Early Bird	Late Registration	Early Bird	Late Registration	Early Bird	Late Registration
	Physician					
CTS Member	230	275	405	475	565	670
Non-Member	420	475	600	685	895	995
	Associates - includes RNs, NPs, PAs, RTs, RCPs					
CTS Member	135	170	215	270	315	395
Non-Member	315	355	390	450	615	695
	In Training - include graduate students, post doctoral and clinical fellows, residents					
CTS or Inst Member	75	75	75	75	75	75
Non-Member	150	150	195	195	245	245