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**The 36th Annual Conference on
Obstetrics, Gynecology, Perinatal Medicine,
Neonatology, and the Law
January 2-6, 2020**

**The 20th Annual Multispecialty Conference on
Medical Negligence and Risk Management
January 6-8, 2020**

**Mauna Lani Resort Hotel
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Kohala Coast, Hawaii**

The 36th ANNUAL CONFERENCE
**OBSTETRICS, GYNECOLOGY, PERINATAL
MEDICINE, NEONATOLOGY, AND THE LAW**
JANUARY 2-6, 2020

and

The 20th ANNUAL MULTISPECIALTY CONFERENCE
**MEDICAL NEGLIGENCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT IN
MEDICINE, SURGERY, EMERGENCY MEDICINE,
RADIOLOGY, AND FAMILY MEDICINE**
JANUARY 6-8, 2020

Two conferences sharing one day in common. Select one or come to both (the second at a reduced rate). The reviews of last year's 35th and 19th Annual Conferences were again outstanding, continuing the tradition of this highly successful joint series.

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Conference Overview

“Despite substantially higher spending on healthcare per person than comparable high-income countries, maternal deaths and severe maternal morbidity levels in the USA more closely resemble some low-income countries.” “The steep increase of deaths is mirrored by another troubling trend in the past decade, the notable increase in serious, but often preventable, obstetric complications.” These quotes from the Lancet cover and editorial respectively in the September 2018 issue are the cause of grave concern for all who provide care for women, either during preconception, pregnancy, delivery, or the postpartum period. The fact that both Black and Hispanic pregnant women have 2-4 times higher risk of death compared to white women is truly troubling. This is particularly so since more than 60% of these deaths were avoidable. In 2015, the US maternal mortality rate was 26.4 per 100,000 live births, with rates in Canada and Sweden being 4.4 and 7.3 per 100,000 respectively.

These stark facts point especially to failures in pre- and postgraduate medical education and recognizes that medical negligence is at once individual, systemic, organizational, and compounded by patient-related factors.

Insufficient attention is paid to the cognitive sciences that have such a key role in medical care. More than 100 cognitive biases affect decision-making, clinical reasoning, and critical thinking. Teaching debiasing techniques could seriously and positively influence the major cause of medical negligence, that is diagnostic error coupled with faculty decision-making. There are over 200,000 deaths each year due to medical negligence.

It is time to require medical students, residents, and fellows to obtain a certificate in risk management before graduation and/or before entering clinical practice. For physicians in practice, a required 1-hour online CME refresher course on risk management upon license renewal is needed.

Target Audience

The major objectives in these two conferences are to enhance the continuing education of a range of specialties in medicine and allied professions, including obstetrics, gynecology, midwifery, neonatology, medicine, surgery, family medicine, emergency medicine, cardiology, radiology, human genetics, and ethics. The key reasons that have characterized the success of these conferences for the past 35 and 19 years, respectively, are the highly qualified and renowned medical faculty, and the interactive insights and lessons concerning the role of law and lawyers, communicated by acknowledged “super lawyers.” Only through a thorough understanding of the complexities of

medicine and law can physicians and litigators hope to deal effectively with the continuing challenges of medical and legal practice.

The specific goals of these conferences are to:

1. Teach healthcare professionals to better comprehend the machinations of negligence law, and to develop a more complete awareness of the need for anticipatory and safety practice.
2. Teach legal professionals about the complex issues encountered in the practice of medicine, including the intricacies of decision-making, aiming to sharpen their understanding on behalf of their clients, both plaintiff and defense.

Once again, an extraordinarily experienced and superb faculty has been assembled for the 36th and 20th anniversary conferences that will be important to all the specialties mentioned, including nurse practitioners, trial attorneys, in-house counsel, pediatricians, primary care physicians, insurers and claims personnel, risk managers and all providers of healthcare.

Learning Objectives

At the conclusion of this conference, healthcare professionals will be able to articulate the role of law and lawyers in medical malpractice and discuss the complexities of the legal process.

At the conclusion of this conference, legal professionals will be able to describe “best-evidence” in medical malpractice as it pertains to obstetrics, gynecology, midwifery, neonatology, medicine, surgery, family medicine, emergency medicine, cardiology, radiology, and human genetics.

This activity is designed to address the following core and team competencies:

Patient Care and Medical Knowledge

Practice-based learning

Professionalism, Teams & Teamwork

Interprofessional Collaboration

Interprofessional Communication

Major topics include:

- *Optimal timing of delivery*
- *Minimally invasive surgery*
- *Management of the second stage of labor*
- *Birth trauma and neonatal brain injury*
- *Genetics or hypoxic brain damage*
- *Critical care in obstetrics*
- *Trial of labor after Caesarean section*
- *Laparoscopy vs. robotics*
- *Brain injury and the ectoderm*
- *Pre-viable pregnancies*
- *Timing brain injury*
- *Maternal morbidity and Caesarean section*
- *Gestational diabetes*
- *Perinatal strokes and timing*
- *Genetics and neonatal encephalopathy*
- *Morcellation*
- *The fetus as plaintiff*
- *Communication failures and litigation*
- *Advances in medicine and recent verdicts*
- *Pregnancy and abdominal emergencies*
- *Telemedicine in obstetrics*
- *Genetic counseling, liability, and litigation*
- *Avoidable obstetrical errors and litigation*
- *Infections in pregnancy*
- *Risks of joint replacements*
- *Infections in the emergency department*
- *Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillators—ethics and law*
- *Genetic testing for breast cancer*
- *Robots in orthopedic surgery*
- *ICDs and pacemakers and advance directives*
- *Breast cancer gene mutations*
- *Arrhythmias and sudden death or stroke*
- *Litigation in arthroscopic surgery*
- *Breast implant consequences*
- *Pitfalls in urgent care*
- *Medicine, Law, and Ethics*

Faculty

Aubrey Milunsky, MD, DSc, FRCP, FACMG, DCH

Conference Chair

Founder and Co-Director

Center for Human Genetics, Cambridge, MA

Adjunct Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Tufts University School of Medicine

Formerly Professor of Human Genetics, Pediatrics, Obstetrics & Gynecology and Pathology,
Boston University School of Medicine, Boston, MA

Professor Milunsky is internationally known for his work in prenatal genetic diagnosis, molecular genetics, and the epidemiology of birth defects. He is the author, editor, or co-editor of 26 books and author or co-author of 454 scientific communications. He is the Founding Editor, author, and Co-Editor of *Genetic Disorders and the Fetus: Diagnosis, Prevention and Treatment* (7th ed). The 6th edition of this major worldwide reference text for prenatal diagnosis received the “**Highly Commended**” Award from the British Medical Association. He has given invited lectures in 36 countries, (including the Vatican). He has been honored, by election, as a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of England, and with an award for excellence in teaching. He is an editorial board member of *Prenatal Diagnosis*. Boston University has named the *Aubrey Milunsky Chair in Human Genetics*. His latest book is *I Didn't Know, I Didn't Know: Avoidable Deaths and Harm Due to Medical Negligence*. He is listed in *Top Doctors in Boston (Genetics)*.

Jeff M. Milunsky, MD, FACMG

Conference Co-Chair

Co-Director, Center for Human Genetics

Director, Clinical Genetics

Senior Director, Molecular Genetics, Cambridge, MA

Adjunct Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Tufts University School of Medicine

Formerly Professor of Pediatrics, Genetics and Genomics, Boston University School of Medicine,
Boston, MA

Professor Milunsky is known internationally for his work in clinical and molecular genetics with special reference to his expertise in the diagnosis, evaluation and management of genetic connective tissue disorders. He is the co-editor of *Genetic Disorders and the Fetus: Diagnosis, Prevention and Treatment* (7th edition). The 6th edition received the British Medical Association “**Highly Commended**” Medical Book Award. Professor Milunsky is the author or co-author of at least 300 scientific communications. He is an elected member of the Society for Pediatric Research. He has been listed repeatedly in *Top Doctors in Boston (Genetics)*.

Erika L. Amarante, Esq.

Litigation Partner
Wiggin and Dana LLP
New Haven, CT

Ms. Amarante is a well-known defense trial attorney who is co-chair of the Medical Malpractice Defense Group in her law firm. She is the author or co-author of at least 15 publications. Included among her court admissions are the U.S. Supreme Court, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, the U.S. District Court for the District of Connecticut, and the District of Columbia Circuit. She has been a Super Lawyer [2013-2018] and a Benchmark, Future Star [2018-2019].

Banu Arun, MD

Professor, Department of Breast Medical Oncology,
Division of Cancer Medicine,
Co-Medical Director for Clinical Cancer Genetics,
MD Anderson Cancer Center,
University of Texas, Houston, TX

Professor Arun is known internationally for her work on breast cancer oncology, with special authority in genetics and therapy. She is the author or co-author of at least 289 scientific communications. Professor Arun is the faculty leader of the Comprehensive Cancer Control Initiative for breast cancer. She has been honored with the *Texas Businesswomen's Award* in 2015, and the *Julie and Been Rogers Award for Excellence* from the MD Anderson Cancer Center.

Ulrika M. Birgersdotter-Green, MD

Clinical Professor of Medicine, Department of Internal Medicine,
University of California, San Diego,
Director, Pacemaker and ICD Services
UCSD Medical Center, Division of Cardiology
San Diego, CA

Professor Birgersdotter is known internationally for her work on cardiac rhythm electrophysiology. She is the author or co-author of about 180 scientific communications. She was also co-editor of a 2014 book *Arrhythmias in Women: Diagnosis and Management*. Professor Birgersdotter serves on the editorial boards of two prestigious journals, *Innovations in Cardiac Rhythm Management*, and *Circulation: Arrhythmia, and Electrophysiology*. She has been honored with the *Duane Roth Memorial Award* and the *UCSD Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action and Diversity Award*.

Paul A. Casi II, JD, PSC
Louisville KY

Mr. Casi is a plaintiff attorney admitted to practice in Kentucky and Indiana and in the 6th and 7th Circuit Courts of Appeal as well as the United States Supreme Court. Mr. Casi is a recent past President of the Kentucky Justice Association. He has also been Chair of the Professional Negligence section for the American Association for Justice. He has been listed annually in *Best Lawyers in America* since 2010. In 2014, he was elected as the *Lawyer of the Year* for Medical Malpractice Law. Mr. Casi received the *Dan Cullan Award* from the American Association for Justice, Birth Trauma Litigation Group in 2015. He has been listed in *Kentucky Super Lawyers* annually since 2008, and in the *“Top 50” in 2017*.

Aaron B. Caughey, MD, PhD
Professor and Chair, Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology,
Associate Dean for Women’s Health Research and Policy,
Obstetrician-in-Chief,
Oregon Health & Science University, Portland, OR

Professor Caughey is known internationally for his work in maternal-fetal medicine. He is the author or co-author of over 1000 scientific communications, and co-author/co-editor of 37 books, including *High Risk Pregnancy: Management Options*. Professor Caughey has been the recipient of dozens of honors, including at least 20 **Outstanding Teacher Awards**, the *Roy M. Pitkin Award for Research Excellence*, the *Ivory Tower Award*, and the *Campbell Award for Contributions to Pediatric Surgery*. He is an Associate Editor, *American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology* and serves on the editorial boards of multiple prestigious journals including *Journal of Maternal-Fetal and Neonatal Medicine*, and *Acta Obstetrica et Gynecologica Scandinavica*. He is an examiner for the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology for Maternal-Fetal Medicine since 2012. He is listed repeatedly in *Portland’s Top Doctors*.

Erin Clark, MD
Associate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology
Chief, Maternal-Fetal Medicine
Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology
University of Utah School of Medicine
Salt Lake City, UT

Professor Clark is known internationally for her work in maternal-fetal medicine. She is the author or co-author of over 60 scientific communications. She has been the recipient of *the Outstanding Clinical Leadership Award* given by the University of Utah Health Affiliate Network. Among many other honors are included the *TeleHealth Ninja Award* from the University of Utah Health and the *Mentor*

of the Year award from the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. She has lectured nationally on multiple aspects of maternal-fetal medicine.

Adam Kirton, MD, MSc, FRCPC

Professor, Pediatrics, Radiology, and Clinical Neuroscience
Cumming School of Medicine, University of Calgary
Pediatric Neurologist and Director, Calgary Stroke Program
Alberta Children's Hospital
Calgary, AB, Canada

Professor Kirton is known internationally for his work in pediatric neurology with special reference to pediatric stroke. He is the author or co-author of at least 475 scientific communications. He is the Editor of *Pediatric Brain Stimulation: Mapping and Modulating the Developing Nervous System*. Professor Kirton has been the recipient of many awards and prizes, including repeated *Teacher of the Year* at the Alberta Children's Hospital and *Presidents Excellence Award in Research* for the Alberta Health Service. The Calgary Herald listed him in the *Top-20 Compelling Calgarians*. He received a *Clinical Performance Commendation* from the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta and earlier the *President's Prize* from the Canadian Association of Child Neurology. He has also garnered awards for his research from the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada.

Javier F. Magrina, MD

Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology
Head, Division of Gynecologic Oncology,
Department of Medical and Surgical Gynecology,
Mayo Clinic, Scottsdale, AZ

Professor Magrina is known internationally for his work in gynecologic oncology. He serves on the editorial boards of multiple prestigious journals including the *Journal of Robotic Surgery* and *Folia Clinica en Obstetricia y Gynecologia*. He is the author and co-editor of two books, the last being the *Textbook of Gynecologic Robotic Surgery* [2018]. He is the author or co-author of at least 286 scientific communications. Professor Magrina has been the recipient of dozens of honors and awards, including a *Medal of Honor from the Spanish Society of Gynecology and Obstetrics*, Bilbao, Spain, and a *Gold Medal from the Instituto Dexeus, Women's Health Center, Barcelona, Spain*. He has been listed among America's *Top Doctors for Cancer* for many years. He is the inventor of the Magrina-Bookwalter Retractor, the Magrina Clamps, and the Magrina Ovarian Vessel Clamp.

Errol R. Norwitz, MD, PhD, MBA

Louis E. Phaneuf Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology
Chairman, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology
Tufts University School of Medicine
Chief Scientific Officer
Tufts Medical Center, Boston, MA

Professor Norwitz is known internationally for his work in maternal fetal medicine with special reference to high risk pregnancy. He is the author or co-author of at least 356 scientific communications. Professor Norwitz is the author or co-editor of 14 books, the most recent two being *Evidenced-Based Obstetrics and Gynaecology* and *Obstetric Clinical Algorithms: Management and Evidence (2nd Edition)*. He is an associate editor for *Reproductive Sciences*, and serves on the editorial boards of multiple prestigious journals including the *British Journal of Obstetrics and Gynaecology*, *Obstetrics and Gynecology International* and *Reproductive Sciences*. He serves on the advisory board of the *American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology* and is an examiner for the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology in maternal fetal medicine. Professor Norwitz has been the recipient of many honors for research, teaching, and oral presentations. He was a **Rhodes Scholar** at Oxford University. He has been listed repeatedly in **Top Doctors** in Boston.

Brent A. Ponce, MD

Professor of Orthopedic Surgery
University of Alabama at Birmingham,
School of Medicine
Birmingham, AL

Professor Ponce is known nationally for his work in orthopedic surgery. He is the author or co-author of at least 110 scientific communications. He has been honored with the *Kurt M.W. Niemann Outstanding UAB Orthopedic Surgery Award*. He has also been honored repeatedly with *First Place in the Yelton Essay Competition in the Alabama Orthopedic Society*. Professor Ponce serves on the editorial board of multiple prestigious journals including the *Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery*, and the *Journal of Surgical Education*.

David A. Talan, MD

Chairman and Professor Emeritus
Department of Emergency Medicine,
Olive View-UCLA Medical Center,
Los Angeles, CA

Professor Talan is known internationally for his work in emergency medicine, with special reference to infectious disease. He is the author or co-author of at least 224 scientific communications. In addition, he is the author or co-author of at least 39 scientific exhibits. Professor Talan is the editor or co-editor of five books including *Emergency Medicine Forum*. He is also the author or co-author of at least 82

audio-visual and other non-peer reviewed presentations. He has also been the recipient of the *Golden Stogie Teaching Awards* in the Department of Emergency Medicine.

Accommodations

MAUNA LANI RESORT HOTEL AUBERGE RESORTS COLLECTION Kohala Coast, Hawaii

The Center for Human Genetics, Inc. has secured a room block at the Mauna Lani Resort, which will be available until November 27, 2019, or **until it is sold out.**

Garden View: \$330
Ocean View: \$370
Deluxe Ocean View: \$405
Ocean Front: \$510

The above rates are based on single or double occupancy and are subject to applicable taxes, which is currently 14.4166% per room per night. Plus \$12.00 per person, plus 4.166% for portorage and \$3.00 per person, per night, plus 4.4166% for housekeeping. Rates are effective for arrivals on Wednesday, January 1 to departures on Monday, January 13, 2020. Rates prior to January 1 are based upon availability at FULL PUBLIC RATE. Additional occupants (18 years and older) will be charged at a rate of \$75.00 per person, per night, plus applicable taxes, with a maximum of 3 adults per room or 2 adults and 2 children under 18 years of age. There is no charge for children 17 years of age and younger staying in the same room with parents utilizing existing bedding.

Arrivals prior to January 1, 2020, are on a request basis only, subject to availability, and are priced at the full public rate in effect at that time.

For information on making your travel arrangements and to book your accommodations, please visit <https://www.travelplannerstexas.com/chg2020>.

What Participants Are Saying:

This was an exceptional conference, as usual. This is my 10th conference and they are all fantastic.

Great, well-respected and very knowledgeable speakers, pertinent topics for both physicians and medical malpractice lawyers, and well organized and presented content.

“I have been in law practice for 38 years. This is the best conference I have ever attended.”

The "gold standard" for birth trauma conferences! This conference far exceeded my expectations, as most speakers were very engaging and well-prepared. I most certainly will be back in the future.

Very good seminar! The combination of lawyers and physicians provided a very nice dynamic and it's always enlightening to hear problems analyzed from different perspectives.

“Best conference I have ever attended!” (comments from many participants)

“Thanks for creating such a unique type of conference – my 5th and always interesting, informative and useful”

“Always an outstanding program, superlative faculty, and an exotic location”

“As always an excellent course.”

“A wonderful conference.”

92% of registrants rated the conference as excellent, 8% as very good for the 34th year.

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Neonatology, and the Law

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 2020

4:00-6:30pm *Registration*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3, 2020

7:15am *Continental Breakfast*

8:00am **Welcome and Introduction**
Aubrey Milunsky, MD, DSc, FRCP, FACMG, DCH

8:15am **Changes in the Management of the Second Stage of Labor**
Aaron B. Caughey, MD, PhD

Legal Commentary and Discussion
Erika Amarante, Esq
Paul A. Casi II, JD, PSC

9:00am **Optimal Timing of Delivery: Should it be 39 Weeks and Out?**
Errol Norwitz, MD, PhD

9:40am **Minimally Invasive Surgery: A New Set of Risks and Complications:
Instruments or Surgeon?**
Javier F. Magrina, MD

10:20am *Refreshment Break*

10:35am **Birth Trauma and Neonatal Brain Injury: A Non Sequitur Fallacy**
Adam Kirton, M, MSc, FRCPC

Legal Commentary and Discussion
Erika Amarante, Esq
Paul A. Casi II, JD, PSC

- 11:20am **MIDAS Reloaded: Identifying Clinical Clues of an Underlying Genetic Disorder in Claims of HIE**
Jeff Milunsky, MD, FACMG
- 12:00pm **Trauma, Shock and Critical Care in Obstetrics**
Erin A.S. Clark, MD
- 12:40pm **Expert Panel Discussion**
- 1:00pm *Adjourn*
- 6:30-7:30pm *Welcome Reception*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4, 2020

- 7:15am *Continental Breakfast*
- 8:00am **Trial of Labor After Caesarian Section: Risks, Harms, and Avoidable Litigation**
Errol Norwitz, MD, PhD
- Legal Commentary and Discussion**
Erika Amarante, Esq
Paul A. Casi II, JD, PSC
- 8:45am **Laparoscopy vs. Robotic Surgery for Benign and Malignant Conditions: Why Robotics?**
Javier F. Magrina, MD
- 9:25am **Brain Injury? Did you examine the ectoderm?**
Aubrey Milunsky, MD, DSc, FRCP, FACMG, DCH
- 10:05am *Refreshment Break*
- 10:20am **Peri-viable Pregnancies: Decisions and Ethical Considerations**
Aaron B. Caughey, MD, PhD
- Legal Commentary and Discussion**
Erika Amarante, Esq
Paul A. Casi II, JD, PSC
- 11:05am **When? Timing Global hypoxic-ischemic Brain Injury in the Newborn**
Adam Kirton, M, MSc, FRCPC
- 11:45am **Long-term Maternal Morbidity Associated with Repeated Caesarian Sections**
Erin A.S. Clark, MD

12:25pm

Expert Panel Discussion

1:05pm

Adjourn

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2020

- 7:15am *Continental Breakfast*
- 8:00am **Gestational Diabetes: Controversies in Guidelines and Management**
Aaron B. Caughey, MD, PhD
- 8:45am **Perinatal Strokes: Types, Mechanisms, and Timing**
Adam Kirton, M, MSc, FRCPC
- L Legal Commentary and Discussion**
Erika Amarante, Esq
Paul A. Casi II, JD, PSC
- 9:25am **Genetic Testing in Neonatal Encephalopathy: “You Can’t Handle the Truth”**
Jeff Milunsky, MD, FACMG
- 10:05am *Refreshment Break*
- 10:20am **Morcellation of the Uterus and Fibroids: What is the Problem? Can You Prevent It?**
Javier F. Magrina, MD
- 11:00am **Wrongful Death Before Birth: When the Plaintiff is a Fetus**
Erika Amarante, Esq
- 11:40am **Communication Failure: A Common Cause of Litigation**
Aubrey Milunsky, MD, DSc, FRCP, FACMG, DCH
- 12:20pm **Advances in Medicine and Recent Verdicts**
Faculty
- 1:00pm *Adjourn*

MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2020 (Joint Conference Day)

- 7:15am *Continental Breakfast*
- 8:00am **Welcome and Introduction**
Aubrey Milunsky, MD, DSc, FRCP, FACMG, DCH
- 8:15am **Obstetrical Concerns in the Pregnant Patient with an Abdominal Emergency**
Errol Norwitz, MD, PhD

- 8:55am **Telemedicine in Obstetrics: Utility and Liability**
Erin A.S. Clark, MD
- 9:35am **Genetic Counseling: Lessons, Liability, and Litigation**
Aubrey Milunsky, MD, DSc, FRCP, FACMG, DCH
- 10:15am ***Refreshment Break***
- 10:30am **Avoidable Obstetrical Errors that Invite Litigation**
Paul A. Casi II, JD, PSC
- 11:10am **The Hazards of Infection in Pregnancy**
David Andrew Talan, MD, FACEP, FIDSA
- 11:50am **Medicolegal Forum**
Discussants: Erika Amarante, Esq, Paul A. Casi II, JD, PSC
- Life expectancy of catastrophically injured children
 - Guidelines: Sword or shield?
 - Sub-optimal or substandard resuscitation?
 - Negligent infliction of emotional distress claims
 - Sudden unexpected neonatal death
 - Importance of neuroimaging
 - Shoulder dystocia/ brachial plexus injuries
- 1:00pm ***Adjourn***



Accreditation

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AND

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Physicians

In support of improving patient care, this activity has been planned and implemented by Cine-Med and the Center for Human Genetics. Cine-Med 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

The 36th Annual Conference

Cine-Med designates this live activity for a maximum of **19 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™**. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

The 20th Annual Conference

Cine-Med designates this live activity for a maximum of **14.25 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™**. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Joint Conference

Cine-Med designates this live activity for a maximum of **28.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™**. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

CME, CLE, and RISK MANAGEMENT CREDITS

To receive CE credit, participants must sign-in and complete the activity and the evaluation online. Certificates/statements of credit will be emailed upon completion of an online credit tracking form. All questions to CME Office at 203-263-0006 88x112 or bmozalak@cine-med.net

American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists

ACOG has approved this program and assigned up to 29 cognate hours.

Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada

Activities held outside of Canada developed by a university, academy, specialty society or other physician organization can be recorded as accredited group learning activities under Section 1 of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada's Maintenance of Certification (MOC) Program

American Academy of Family Physicians

This Live activity, Ob/Gyn, Perinatal Medicine, Neonatology & the Law, and Medical Negligence & Risk Management in Multispecialties, with a beginning date of 01/02/2019, has been reviewed and is acceptable for up to **28 Prescribed credit(s)** by the **American Academy of Family Physicians**.

The College of Family Physicians of Canada

Members of **The College of Family Physicians of Canada** are eligible to receive up to **28 Mainpro-M1 credits** for attendance at these conferences due to reciprocal agreement with the American Academy of Family Physicians.

Risk Management

This program meets the criteria established by the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine for risk management.

Nurse-Midwives

The American Midwifery Certification Board grants reciprocity status to the American Academy of Family Physicians to the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education for Category 1 offerings that are relevant to midwifery.

Other Non-Physician Professionals

Please check with your individual licensing boards on reciprocity allowed for *AMA PRA Category 1 CreditTM*

Core Competencies

This activity is in accord with the American Board of Medical Specialties Six Core Competencies. This activity will increase your competency in the areas of Patient Care, Medical Knowledge, Interpersonal and Communication Skills, Professionalism, Systems-Based Practice, Practice-Based Learning and Improvement.

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- 8:00am **Minimizing the Risk of Joint Replacement Infections and Other Early Complications**
Brent A. Ponce, MD
- 8:40am **Pitfalls in the Diagnosis of Infection in the Emergency Department**
David Andrew Talan, MD, FACEP, FIDSA
- 9:20am **Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillators (ICDs): Indications, Complications, Ethics, and Legal Implications**
Ulrika Birgersdotter-Green, MD
- 10:00am *Refreshment Break*
- 10:15am **Genetic Testing for Breast Cancer: Medico-legal, Ethical, and Psychosocial Challenges**
Banu Arun, MD
- 10:55am **Use of Robots in Orthopedic Surgery: Medical and Legal Pitfalls**
Brent A. Ponce, MD
- 11:35pm **Implantable Cardiac Devices (ICDs and Pacemakers): Management Guidelines and Advance Directives**
Ulrika Birgersdotter-Green, MD
- 12:15pm **Expert Panel Discussion**
- 1:00pm *Adjourn*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2019

7:15am	<i>Continental Breakfast</i>
8:00am	Management of Women with Breast Cancer Gene Mutations: Standards of Expected Care Banu Arun, MD
8:45am	Arrhythmias and Sudden Death or Stroke: Prevention and Pitfalls Ulrika Birgersdotter-Green, MD
10:00am	<i>Refreshment Break</i>
10:15am	Avoiding Litigation in Arthroscopic Surgery David A. Talan, MD, FACEP, FIDSA
11:00am	Breast Implant-Associated Cancer and Autoimmune Disease Banu Arun, MD
11:45am	Medico-Legal Pitfalls in Urgent Care David A. Talan, MD, FACEP, FIDSA
12:30pm	Colloquium: Medicine, Law, and Ethics
1:00pm	<i>Adjourn</i>

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