

# 9th Annual Fall Conference on **EMERGENCY MEDICINE**

Including topics on: Community Acquired Pneumonia, Cardiology,  
Infectious Diseases, Pediatric Emergencies, Pain Management,  
Malpractice Issues, Dermatology, and much more...

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**Paradise Island, Bahamas**  
**NOVEMBER 19-22, 2008**

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## CONFERENCE DESCRIPTION

Our **9th Annual Fall Conference on Emergency Medicine** is designed to provide emergency physicians and nurses, and other healthcare providers with state-of-the-art, evidence-based information in Emergency Medicine. A wide variety of topics pertinent to emergency care will be presented in lectures, case presentations, and interactive sessions. **The primary purpose of the conference is to enhance the knowledge of providers toward the goal of improved patient care.**

**Topics in this year's conference have been selected based on past participant conference evaluation requests, clinical expert input, and Emergency Medicine practice guidelines.**

An outstanding faculty has been assembled for this conference. Faculty members are committed to providing participants with current and practical information. Each member was selected based on their individual area of expertise and their outstanding ability to teach. This exciting conference will provide you with an opportunity to share current ideas with colleagues from across the country in a stimulating, relaxing and informal environment.

The conference schedule leaves ample time for relaxing, enjoying family and friends, and exploring. You're sure to enjoy our **9th Annual Fall Conference on Emergency Medicine**, in the **beautiful setting of Paradise Island at the exciting Atlantis Resort.**

## CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of this conference, you should be able to:

- Identify current treatment options for emerging infections including MRSA
- Recognize and manage pediatric life threatening events
- Identify and manage cardiac emergencies
- Practice appropriate standards of care for the clinical dilemmas of stroke, emergencies in the elderly, pain management, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease

## ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION SESSIONS

Small group discussions will be held Friday afternoon. These **"Round Table Discussion Sessions,"** are organized to provide an opportunity for greater participant/ faculty interaction, and to discuss subjects relating to your particular area of interest. **You are encouraged to bring cases or issues you are confronting in your clinical practice to discuss during these sessions.**

## ACCREDITATION

This educational activity was planned and produced in accordance with the ACCME and ANCC 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 (ANCC).**

## CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT

### ***Physicians***

Symposia Medicus designates this educational activity for a maximum of 18 AMA PRA *Category 1 Credits*<sup>TM</sup>.

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

Application for prescribed CME credit has been made 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 the ACCME.

### ***Nurse Practitioners/Nurses***

The **ANCC** contact hours awarded for the completion of this conference is **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 4.42 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.

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

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

## EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

Each registrant will receive an extensive conference syllabus containing pertinent information on each conference topic. Extra copies of this syllabus will be available for purchase by sending \$45 payment to: **Symposia Medicus, 399 Taylor Blvd., Suite 201, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523-2200 (please reference syllabus #1090).**

## GROUP TOURS

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



## CONFERENCE FACULTY

### Peter M. DeBlieux, MD, FACEP

Clinical Professor of Pulmonary, Critical Care and Emergency Medicine  
Emergency Medicine Director of Faculty and Resident Development  
Director of Emergency Medicine Services  
Louisiana State University Medical School  
New Orleans, Louisiana

### Gregory Henry, MD, FACEP

Clinical Professor  
Department of Emergency Medicine  
University of Michigan Medical School  
Risk Consultant  
Emergency Physicians Medical Group, PC  
Chief Executive Officer  
Medical Practice Risk Assessment, Inc.  
President  
Physician's Liability Insurance Company, LLC  
Past President  
American College of Emergency Physicians  
Ann Arbor, Michigan

### Michelle Lin, MD

Assistant Residency Director,  
UCSF-SFGH Emergency Medicine Residency  
Assistant Clinical Professor  
Emergency Medicine, UCSF  
San Francisco General Hospital  
San Francisco, California

### Amal Mattu, MD, FAAEM, FACEP

#### Conference Chairman

Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine  
University of Maryland School of Medicine  
Program Director,  
Emergency Medical Residency Program  
Baltimore, Maryland

### Ghazala Q. Sharieff, MD, FACEP, FAAEM, FAAP

Medical Director  
Rady Children's Hospital  
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Director of Pediatric Emergency Medicine  
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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. This policy is intended to assist you in forming your own judgments about material presented. Disclosure information will be included in your syllabus and/or verbally disclosed at the conference.*

## CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

### Wednesday, November 19

- 7:00am Registration & Check-in  
Continental Breakfast
- 8:00 **Conference Introduction**  
Amal Mattu, MD
- 8:15 **Emerging Infections: Bugs That Really Bite (including MRSA)** (Rx = 40 minutes)  
Peter DeBlieux, MD
- 9:00 **Your Worst Nightmare: Acute Life Threatening Events in Children** (Rx = 15 minutes)  
Ghazala Sharieff, MD
- 9:45 Break
- 10:00 **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**  
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 10:30 **Emergencies in the Elderly: From Trauma to Medication Mishaps** (Rx = 30 minutes)  
Amal Mattu, MD
- 11:15 **Myths About Community Acquired Pneumonia** (Rx = 40 minutes)  
Peter DeBlieux, MD
- Noon **Name that Rash: Dermatology Dilemmas**  
Ghazala Sharieff, MD

### Thursday, November 20

- 7:30am Continental Breakfast
- 8:00 **Ten Things to Consider in the Crashing Patient: Beyond A-B-C & ACLS**  
Amal Mattu, MD
- 8:45 **Pain Management in the Emergency Department** (Rx = 30 minutes)  
Gregory Henry, MD
- 9:30 Break
- 9:45 **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**  
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 10:15 **Diagnosis & Treatment of High Risk Back Pain in the Emergency Room**  
Michelle Lin, MD
- 11:00 **Acute Stroke Management: Is There A New Standard of Care?** (Rx = 20 minutes)  
Gregory Henry, MD
- 11:45 **Management of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease** (Rx = 15 minutes)  
Peter DeBlieux, MD

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

### Friday, November 21

- 3:30pm **ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION GROUPS - Session One**
- Tricks of the Trade in Emergency Medicine**  
Michelle Lin, MD
- Challenging Cases in Mechanical Ventilation**  
Peter DeBlieux, MD
- Practical Tips for Reducing Malpractice**  
Gregory Henry, MD
- Emergency Cardiology 2008: The Articles You've Got to Know!**  
Amal Mattu, MD
- 5:00 Break (Participants Change Rooms)
- 5:15 **ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION GROUPS - Session Two**  
(Session One Topics Repeated)
- 6:45 Adjourn for the Day

### Saturday, November 22

- 7:30am Continental Breakfast
- 8:00 **Sedation of the Pediatric Patient** (Rx = 45 minutes)  
Ghazala Sharieff, MD
- 8:45 **Uses of MRI in the Emergency Department**  
Michelle Lin, MD
- 9:30 Break (Hotel Check Out, If Applicable)
- 10:00 **Questions & Answers Group Discussion**  
Faculty Panel & Audience
- 10:30 **Jelly-Belly Pain: Pediatric Gastrointestinal Emergencies** (Rx = 30 minutes)  
Ghazala Sharieff, MD
- 11:15 **Tough ECGs! Subtle Manifestations of Cardiac Ischemia**  
Amal Mattu, MD
- Noon **Orthopedic Radiography Pitfalls**  
Michelle Lin, MD
- 12:45pm **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. **We recommend you register early.**
- Tuition:**

	EARLY <i>If postmarked by September 10, 2008</i>	REGULAR <i>If postmarked after September 10, 2008</i>
Physicians	\$580	\$630
Nurses, Residents & PA's	\$480	\$530
- Tuition includes continuing education certification, extensive conference syllabus, continental breakfast on Wednesday, Thursday, & Saturday (for conference attendees only), group reception, and refreshments.
- Tuition may be paid by check, money order, Visa, MasterCard or Discover Card.**
- Register on-line at [www.symposiamedicus.org](http://www.symposiamedicus.org) or use the form in this brochure, and if paying by check, make payable and send with registration form to: Symposia Medicus, 399 Taylor Blvd., Suite 201, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523-2200; OR**
- Telephone registrations can be made Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm (Pacific Time), by calling (925) 969-1789 or (800) 327-3161. Registrations can 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 October 15, 2008, 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 deductibility under the Tax Reform Act. 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](mailto: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.**

## CONFERENCE LODGING INFORMATION

Symposia Medicus has reserved accommodations at special group rates at the beautiful and exciting Atlantis Resort, Paradise Island, Bahamas. Accommodations are available to conference participants and their guests at the rates listed below. These rates will also be effective three days before and three days after the conference, based on availability.

You qualify for our group rates by using the reservation form in this brochure or by registering on-line on our website at [www.symposiamedicus.org](http://www.symposiamedicus.org). **Our block of rooms will be on a space and rate available basis after September 19, 2008. Rooms may sell out before September 19, 2008 and room rates may increase. PLEASE RESERVE EARLY!**

### GROUP RATES (Single/Double Occupancy):

ROOM TYPE/VIEW	RATES	ROOM LOCATION/DESCRIPTION
<b>Royal Tower Terrace View</b> (Views of terrace, gardens or courtyard)	\$225/night	Rooms are approx. 400 sq ft, with half balcony. Royal Tower is at the center of activities & entertainment including casino, Mandara Spa, Aura nightclub, Dolphin Cay, several water slides, two main pools and gourmet dining options.
<b>Royal Tower Water View</b> (Views of pools, harbor or ocean)	\$310/night	Same as Terrace Room (above) except for view.

- Rates are per night and **do not** include Resort Levy of 12% per day, nor gratuities & resort fees. Gratuities & resort fees are as follows:
  - One time bellman gratuity charge of \$5.70 per person (age 12 and older)
  - Housekeeping gratuity of \$4.00 per person, per day (age 12 and older)
  - Utility service fee (government tax for electricity) of \$7.50 per person, per day (age 12 and older)
  - Pool/beach attendant/lifeguard fee of \$1.50 per person, per day (age 12 and older)
  - Additional gratuities are at your discretion.
- Third person (age 12 and older) in room is \$35.00 extra per night, plus resort levy, and gratuities & resort fees as stated above.
- Children 11 and under are complimentary, using existing bedding, when staying with adults.
- Maximum guest room capacity is four adults (age 12 and older), or two adults and two children under age 12.
- Check-in time is 3:00pm and check-out time is 11:00am.**
- NOTE: Hotel check-out time is 11:00am. If you check-out after 11:00am, an automatic late charge of \$150 will be added to your final hotel bill. If late check-out is needed, please inquire with hotel front desk on the date of departure.**
- A 30-minute break has been allotted in our conference schedule on Saturday for hotel check-out, if applicable.
- Two nights' deposit must accompany the reservation form. The balance of lodging payment, as well as resort levy, gratuities & resort fees, is due to the hotel upon check-out. The hotel accepts all major credit cards.**
- Conference participants and their guests can receive these group rates by using the form in this brochure, by registering on line on our website at [www.symposiamedicus.org](http://www.symposiamedicus.org), or by calling Symposia Medicus for reservations at (800) 327-3161 or (925) 969-1789 with Visa, MasterCard, or Discover Card.
- Per our hotel group contract, hotel cancellations must be made in writing to Symposia Medicus and a full refund of hotel deposit will be made if postmarked by September 17, 2008. Between September 18, 2008, and October 15, 2008, one night's deposit is forfeited. After October 15, 2008, no hotel refunds can be made. All cancellations must be made in writing and postmarked by the dates stated above.**

## AIRLINE TRAVEL INFORMATION

You will fly into Nassau International Airport. The airport is approximately 15 miles from the Atlantis Resort on Paradise Island. You can take a taxi to the resort (fare is approximately \$30), or rental cars are available. The resort has free self-parking.

Symposia Medicus has arranged group discounts with American and United Airlines for this conference. These airlines may also offer zone fares or area pricing (flat rates with no Saturday night stay requirements). Reservations can be made either through each individual airlines' Convention Desk at the numbers listed here or through your travel agent.

### IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THE DISCOUNTED RATE, YOU OR YOUR TRAVEL AGENT MUST REFER TO THE SYMPOSIA MEDICUS ID NUMBERS LISTED BELOW:

American Convention Desk  
(800) 433-1790  
Please refer to ID #0138SS

United Convention Desk  
(800) 521-4041  
Please refer to ID #563JI



## CONFERENCE LOCATION

Paradise Island, Bahamas, is located in one of the most beautiful areas in the world, blessed with white sand beaches and sun-drenched weather. The **exciting and enchanting Atlantis Resort** is the magnificent, tropical resort for this year's 9th Annual Fall Conference on Emergency Medicine.

The Atlantis Resort is like a Bahamas Disneyland and its location is ideal – right on the beach! The resort has **eleven swimming areas, a lagoon for snorkeling, water slides, a lap pool, sauna, spa, sports center, tennis courts and casino.** You can workout at the **fitness center** and enjoy **the saunas, massage treatment rooms, and steam baths.** Pre-teens and teens (ages 6-17) can hang out at the **Club Rush** in the evenings. Children (ages 4-12) can take advantage of **Discovery Kids Camp**, where they can find buried treasure or get nose-to-nose with a shark without getting wet. The resort has **several superb restaurants, lounges & entertainment venues.** You will also find several specialty shops and thrilling action at the Resort's huge casino.

During conference breaks, you are sure to enjoy such outdoor activities as **swimming with the dolphins, snorkeling, sailing, golfing or an exhilarating helicopter ride.** Venture out of the resort and experience more fabulous duty-free shopping, local art, and live music and festivities.

All rooms at the Atlantis Resort have **climate controlled air conditioning, iron and ironing board, hair dryer, direct dial telephone with voice mail and modem access, on-property wireless internet access, color satellite TV with pay-per-view movies and video check-out, Servibar, safe, and 24-hour room service.** Cribs, roll-away beds and strollers are available upon request.

**Whatever your pleasure, you won't want to miss this year's 9th Annual Fall Conference on Emergency Medicine.**

### 2008 CALENDAR OF FUTURE CONFERENCES

1065	12th Annual Spring Conference on Pediatric Emergencies	Barbados	April 16-19
1066	13th Annual Summer Conference on Primary Care Medicine	Yosemite, California	July 30-Aug 2
1076	4th Annual Summer Conference on Emergency Medicine	Big Sky, Montana	July 30-Aug 2
1079	Medical Dilemmas 2008	Greek Island Cruise <i>(Royal Caribbean Cruise Line)</i>	Sep 10-17
1084	24th Annual Fall Conference on Pediatric Emergencies	Los Cabos, Mexico	Oct 22-25
1086	Current Issues in Pediatrics	Western Caribbean Cruise <i>(Holland America Cruise Line)</i>	Oct 26-Nov 2
1088	19th Annual Conference on Hot Topics in Primary Care Medicine	Playa del Carmen, Mexico	Nov 12-15
1093	12th Annual Emergencies in Primary Care	New York City, New York	Dec 19-20

### 2009 CALENDAR OF FUTURE CONFERENCES

1095	20th Annual Winter Conference on Emergency Medicine	Kauai, Hawaii	Feb 18-21
1098	16th Annual Winter Ski Conference on Primary Care	Breckenridge, Colorado	Feb 24-28
1100	9th Annual Winter Ski Conference on Pediatric Emergencies	Big Sky, Montana	March 3-7
1104	13th Annual Spring Conference on Pediatric Emergencies	Maui, Hawaii	April 1-4
1121	25th Annual Fall Conference on Pediatric Emergencies	Aruba	Oct 21-24
1127	10th Annual Fall Conference on Emergency Medicine	Hilton Head, South Carolina	Nov 18-21
1130	Emergencies in Primary Care	New York City, New York	Dec 18-19

**For more information on any of these conferences, please write to: Symposia Medicus, 399 Taylor Blvd., Suite 201, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523-2200; call (800) 327-3161 or (925) 969-1789; email us at [info@symposiamedicus.org](mailto:info@symposiamedicus.org); or visit our website at [www.symposiamedicus.org](http://www.symposiamedicus.org) to view brochures of upcoming conferences. Brochures are available 6-8 months prior to conference.**

# CONFERENCE & HOTEL REGISTRATION FORM

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

REGISTRANT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DEGREE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First

REGISTRANT MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

If above 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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## LODGING RESERVATIONS

Please reserve my accommodations at the **Atlantis Resort** for:

ARRIVAL: \_\_\_\_\_ DEPARTURE: \_\_\_\_\_  
(DAY of the week) Month Day Year (DAY of the week) Month Day Year

### CONFERENCE GROUP RATES (Single/Double Occupancy):

\_\_\_\_\_ Royal Tower *Terrace View* \$225/night  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Royal Tower *Water View* \$310/night

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Preferred Bed Type (check one): King \_\_\_\_\_ Double/Double \_\_\_\_\_ (Cannot Guarantee)

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 <small>(Note: Balance of hotel charges will be due to hotel upon check-out)</small>	TOTAL
\$	\$	\$

Payment Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Check (Please Enclose) \_\_\_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_\_\_ Mastercard \_\_\_\_\_ Discover

Card Number	Expiration Date <small>Month/Year</small>	Security # <small>(last 3 digits on back of credit card)</small>
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(if different from above) Street City State Zip

CARDHOLDER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

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