

CME/ACPE opportunity

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# 3rd Annual Three Rivers Antimicrobial Stewardship Symposium

Saturday, September 17, 2022  
8 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Attend live or virtually.

Duquesne University  
600 Forbes Avenue  
Charles J. Dougherty Ballroom  
Power Center  
Pittsburgh, PA 15282



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## Faculty and keynote speakers

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### **Brooke Decker, MD**

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### **Thomas M. File Jr., MD, MSc, MACP, FIDSA, FCCP**

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### **Debra Goff, PharmD, FCCP, FIDSA**

Infectious Diseases Specialist  
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Medical Director, Infection Prevention  
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### **Robin Patel, MD(CM), D(ABMM), FIDSA, FACP, F(AAM), FRCPC**

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Assistant Professor of Epidemiology  
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Senior Scholar, Center for Clinical  
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### **Erin Weslander, PharmD, BCIDP**

Infectious Diseases and Antimicrobial  
Stewardship Pharmacist  
Northwestern Memorial Hospital

# Program agenda

## Opening

7 – 8 a.m. Registration and breakfast

8 – 8:15 a.m. Welcome

## Session 1

8:15 – 8:55 a.m. Leadership in antimicrobial stewardship  
**Thomas M. File Jr., MD, MSc, MACP, FIDSA, FCCP**

8:55 – 9:35 a.m. Twitter for antimicrobial stewardship: Useful or a waste of time?  
**Debra Goff, PharmD, FCCP, FIDSA**

9:35 – 10:15 a.m. Antimicrobial stewardship in geriatric populations  
**Kerry L. LaPlante, PharmD, FCCP, FIDSA, FIDP**

10:15 – 10:40 a.m. Break

## Session 2

10:40 – 11:20 a.m. An update on rapid diagnostics for the antimicrobial steward  
**Robin Patel, MD(CM), D(ABMM), FIDSA, FACP, F(AAM), FRCPC**

11:20 a.m. – noon Duration of therapy: How long is long enough?  
**Matthew A. Moffa, DO, FIDSA**

Noon – 12:15 p.m. Panel discussion

12:15 – 1:15 p.m. Lunch and exhibits

## Session 3

1:15 – 1:55 p.m. Effective communication in antimicrobial stewardship  
**Julia E. Szymczak, PhD**

1:55 – 2:25 p.m. Who said this is my job? The infection preventionist asked to be the antimicrobial steward  
**Brooke Decker, MD**

2:25 – 3 p.m. What's on the horizon for antimicrobial stewardship?  
**Kerry L. LaPlante, PharmD, FCCP, FIDSA, FIDP**

3 – 3:15 p.m. Break

## Session 4

3:15 – 3:45 p.m. Impact of Accelerate Pheno<sup>®</sup> system on management of gram-negative bacilli bacteremia  
**Dustin R. Carr, PharmD, BCPS, BCIDP**

3:45 – 4:15 p.m. Implementation of a penicillin allergy assessment initiative  
**Erin K. McCreary, PharmD, BCPS, BCIDP**

4:15 – 4:45 p.m. Big bugs in tiny people – pediatric antimicrobial stewardship  
**Erin Weslander, PharmD, BCIDP**

## Closing

4:45 – 5 p.m. Closing remarks

## Conference overview

Attendees will learn about optimizing the use of antimicrobials to maximize clinical cure while minimizing the unintended collateral damage associated with antimicrobial exposure. The symposium will also assist individuals involved with cultivating and advancing antimicrobial stewardship programs for their local health care institutions.

## Target audience

Health care professionals including physicians, pharmacists, physician assistants, nurses, infection preventionists, facility leadership, and public health professionals.

## Objectives

- Identify barriers to optimal antimicrobial utilization and strategies to overcome common obstacles in order to implement effective antimicrobial stewardship practices.
- Explain effective methods for communication and leadership in antimicrobial stewardship programs.
- Discuss antimicrobial stewardship interventions in unique populations, including pediatric and geriatric patients, and outpatient practices.
- Apply pharmacokinetic/pharmacodynamic principles to the dosing of antimicrobials in order to optimize clinical cure.
- Describe the role of advanced and rapid diagnostics and the potential impact on antimicrobial utilization.

## CME accreditation

### Physicians

Allegheny General Hospital is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians. Approved for 7.25 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits*<sup>™</sup>.

### Pharmacists

Allegheny General Hospital Department of Pharmacy Services is accredited by the Accreditation Council on Pharmacy Education (ACPE) as a provider of continuing pharmacy education (CPE). Applications for 7.25 CEU (7.25 contact hours of credit) are in progress. To receive CPE credits, the participant must attend the activity and complete the online evaluation. Statements of CPE will be distributed via the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) CPE Monitor to attendees within 60 days of this program.

American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) and American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP) accept *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits*<sup>™</sup> from organizations accredited by the ACCME.

The National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA) states that the *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits*<sup>™</sup> are acceptable for continuing medical education requirements for recertification.

Allegheny General Hospital has approved this activity for 7.25 contact hours for non-physicians.

## Registration

Online registration can be accessed at [cme.ahn.org](http://cme.ahn.org):

Click on **Courses**, and then type or scroll down to find **3rd Annual Three Rivers Antimicrobial Stewardship Symposium** and click on **Register**.

### Live registration fees

Physicians: \$100

Pharmacists: \$75

Nurses and other HCPs: \$50

Residents, fellows, and students: \$25

### Virtual registration fees

Physicians: \$50

Pharmacists: \$35

Nurses and other HCPs: \$25

Residents, fellows, and students: \$10

## Parking

Forbes Parking Garage

1180 Forbes Avenue

Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Parking will be available in the Forbes Garage; take the elevator/stairs to level 8, exit the garage, and cross the Sklar Skywalk to the ballroom lobby. Parking validations will be available at registration.

## Lodging

Comfort Inn & Suites Pittsburgh – Northshore

820 East Ohio Street

Pittsburgh, PA 15212

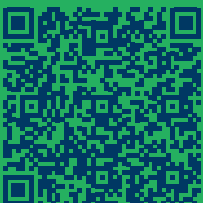
Call **412-325-9210** to make a reservation.

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Group number: HV55A9

## Questions

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