

W The 25th Annual
**ashington Clinical
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Registration forms must be postmarked by **October 20**.

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November 13, 2018

Foster Links Golf Course
13500 Interurban Ave S
Tukwila, WA

Registration Information

The registration fee of \$95.00 includes attendance at the conference, lunch, and breaks. Advance registrations must be postmarked by **October 20, 2018**. On-site registrations will be accepted the morning of the conference, but will not include lunch. Full payment must accompany all registrations. **Note:** Conference registration will be processed by ASCLS-WA. Make your checks payable to ASCLS-WA. Those registrations received without full payment will be held and the registrant notified. Due to facility and session expense obligations, **no refunds are permitted**.

Accommodations

Numerous hotels are available near SeaTac Airport and the South Center Mall. There is also a Days Inn just off of Exit 156 from I-5. Check with the hotels regarding shuttle or taxi service to the Foster Links Golf Course.

Foster Links Golf Course Directions

Facility Address: 13500 Interurban Ave S, Tukwila, WA

Southbound on I-5: Take exit #156 (Tukwila, Interurban Ave). Turn left onto Interurban Avenue S. Foster Links Golf Course is approximately 1/2 mile on the left side of Interurban Avenue just past the Park & Ride.

Northbound on I-5: Take exit #156 (WA-599 N / Tukwila). Take the Tukwila exit and turn right onto Interurban Avenue S. Foster Links Golf Course is approximately 1/2 mile on the left side of Interurban Avenue just past the Park & Ride.

Parking: There is no charge for parking at Foster Links Golf Course.

Agenda

7:45 - 8:15	Registration
8:15 - 8:30	Opening Remarks Romesh Gautam, PhD Director, WADOHPHL
8:30 - 10:00	Keynote Address <i>“Policy and Political Realities for Healthcare: What Labs can Expect in 2019 and Beyond”</i> Dennis Weissman
10:00 - 10:15	Break
10:15 - 11:45	<i>“Trends in Laboratory Management and Laboratory Stewardship Effecting the Clinical Laboratory Industry”</i> Mike Astion, MD, PhD
11:45 - 1:00	Lunch <i>“Addressing the Opioid Crisis in WA State”</i> Kathy Lofy, MD
1:00 - 2:00	<i>“The Trials and Tribulations of a Regional Treatment Center Special Pathogens Unit”</i> Tawny Arensmeyer, MLS(ASCP), MS
2:00 - 2:15	Break
2:15 - 4:15	<i>“A Bug’s Story – Why always on a holiday?”</i> Siu Kei “Jacky” Chow, PhD, D(ABMM) <i>“Molecular-based Waived Testing”</i> Tawny Arensmeyer - <i>“Notifiable Conditions and Electronic Lab Update on Influenza Activity in WA”</i> Vivan Hawkins, PhD, MS <i>Reporting (ELR) Update”</i> Scott Lindquist, MD, MPH
4:15- 4:30	Wrap-up

ASCLS-WA is approved as a provider of continuing education programs in the clinical laboratory sciences by the ASCLS P.A.C.E. ® Program.

Program Highlights

Dennis Weissman is the President of Dennis Weissman & Associates, LLC. This presentation will discuss diverging industry positions and legislative strategies involving PAMA plus the congressional outlook for modifying the law; identify key administrative changes affecting the ACA taking effect in 2019; discuss how labs and pathologists will be impacted by expected shifts in the health insurance market during the next year; and discuss changes in CLIA requirements being considered by CMS and the timetable for final action.

Michael Astion, MD, PhD, is a clinical pathologist and the laboratory medical director at Seattle Children’s Hospital. This lecture describes trends in Hospital and Laboratory Management, Quality Improvement / Patient Safety, and Test Utilization Management (aka Laboratory Stewardship) that directly affect your clinical laboratory.

Kathy Lofy, MD, is the Washington State Health Officer. Her topic will be, “Addressing the Opioid Crisis in WA State.” This presentation will cover the epidemiology of the opioid crisis in Washington.

Tawny Arensmeyer, MLS(ASCP), MS is the Manager of the Special Pathogens Unit at Providence Sacred Heart Medical Center. She will present information about what a Special Pathogens Unit does when an Emerging Disease Strikes in the U.S. She will also present on the “Challenges of Rapid Molecular-Based Testing in the Hospital or point-of-care setting on the afternoon panel.

Siu Kei “Jacky” Chow, PhD, D(ABMM), is the Technical Director of Infectious Diseases Diagnostics at MultiCare Health System. He will present a case study on (mystery bug) and how it did not present as expected in the microbiology laboratory.

Scott Lindquist, MD, MPH is the WA State Epidemiologist for Communicable Diseases and Deputy Health Officer. “DOH Updated: Notifiable Conditions”. He will review planned changes to the notifiable condition rule making process including diseases, rule modernization and electronic lab reporting.

Vivian Hawkins, PhD, MS, an epidemiologist and manager of the Cross-cutting Epidemiology Program at the WADOH, will discuss the main components of the WA flu surveillance system and discuss work being undertaken to create new flu vaccines.