



Conference by the Sea 2025

Conference Program

43rd Annual Symposium & Exhibition

Sponsored by the

Maryland/DC Society for Respiratory Care

Program Applied for AARC 14 CRCE's

September 11 & 12, 2025

Carousel Hotel

Ocean City, MD

Conference by the Sea 2025



General Information:

The Conference by the Sea will be held at the Carousel Hotel in Ocean City, MD.

We are excited to welcome you to the **43rd Annual Conference by the Sea**, now in a **refreshed 2-day format!** The planning committee thoughtfully designed this schedule to offer a more cost-effective experience for attendees, allowing those who wish to stay over Friday night the opportunity to enjoy a relaxing Saturday at the beach—without dividing the workweek.

The Conference by the Sea is proud to provide another year of exceptional learning to respiratory therapists and other health providers. Specific categories of talks are identified in brackets next to speaker information **[Ethics *E]**

Conference Registration Rates:



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Single Day Conference Rates	Single Day Conference Rates
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Non Member.....\$168	Non Member.....\$180

Hotel Accommodations:

Hotel accommodations will be at the Carousel Hotel. A block of rooms is reserved in the name of the AARC-MD/DC Society Conference by the Sea. These rooms will be held until **August 17, 2025**.

Carousel Hotel, Ocean City, Maryland

1-800-641-0011

<https://carouselhotel.com/>

Check-in time is 4:00 p.m. and Check-out time is 11:00 a.m.

Carousel Hotel Rates

Deluxe Standard:	\$118 per night
Oceanfront:	\$145 per night
Two bedroom Oceanfront Condo:	\$275 per night
Three bedroom Oceanfront Condo:	\$320 per night

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Program Agenda:

Name badges can be picked up on Wednesday, September 10
between 5:00 - 5:30 pm for pre-registered participants only!

Thursday, September 11, 2025

7:00 am - 12 noon	Registration Desk Open
7:30 am - 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast
8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Morning- Symposium Lectures
11:00 am - 7:00 pm	Exhibits Open
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Afternoon- Symposium Lectures
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm	Wine & Cheese Reception
8:00 pm - 10:30 pm	Welcome Party / Talent Show

Friday, September 12, 2025

7:30 am - 8:30 am	Registration Desk Open
7:30 am - 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast
8:00 am - 4:00 pm	Exhibits Open
8:00 am - 11:00 am	Morning- Symposium Lectures
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Exclusive Vendor Time
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Afternoon - Symposium Lectures
4:30 pm - 5:30 pm	Happy Hour / Conference Ends



Thursday
Welcome Party!
8:00 pm - 10:30 pm

TALENT SHOW

During Welcome Party: Show the world your talents and
sign up to participate!!

Sign up link:

https://webnetworksmd.formstack.com/forms/cbs_talent_show

Prizes for top 3 vote getters!

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Maryland/
Virginia Room
4 CRCE's

Thursday, September 11, 2025
Morning Sessions:

7:30 am - 8:30 am

Continental Breakfast

8:00 am - 9:00 am

Practicing Evidence-Based Respiratory Care to Communicate your Value

Garry Kauffman, RRT, FAARC, MPA, FACHE

Kauffman Consulting, LLC.

9:00 am - 10:00 am

Understanding and the Role of Systematic Review

Robert Joyner, PhD, RRT, RRT-ACCS, FAARC

Director, Richard A. Henson Research Institute

TidalHealth Peninsula Regional

10:00 am - 11:00 am

Introduction to Edi Monitoring and NAVA

Gail Drescher, MA, RRT, RRT-ACCS

Clinical Specialist

Medstar Washington Hospital Center

11:00 am - 12 noon

Kriner v. Kriner (Pro-Con Debate)

Eric Kriner, BS, RRT, FAARC

Clinical Specialist

Medstar Washington Hospital Center

Angie Kriner, RRT, ACCS

Respiratory Therapy Clinical Educator

Luminis Health Anne Arundel Medical CTR

12 noon - 1:00 pm

Lunch Buffet



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Thursday, September 11, 2025
Afternoon Sessions:

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

**Purpose-Driven Leadership:
Aligning Growth to Inspire and Transform**

Edward Garcia, MS, FAARC, RRT

Sr. Director, RT, PFT, and Rehabilitation Services
University of California Irvine (UCI) Health

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Culture of Caring Panel Discussion **E

Maryann Hiteshew BS, RRT

Lolita Stanton DHA, MHA, RRT-NPS

Maitri Patel BS, RRT

Saj Rambob, RRT

3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

ECMO 101: Exploring Basic Concepts

Kimberly Smith, RRT-NPS

Respiratory Therapist Clinical Resource
Johns Hopkins Hospital

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

**New Models of Care in Pulmonary
Rehabilitation**

Victor Saduskas, MD

CEO- Kivo Health

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Ventilation “Hands On” Workshop



Topics Include:

- Patient Ventilator Interaction
- Ventilation in Obstructive Disease
- APRV

Team Presenters

Eric Kriner, BS, RRT

Angie Kriner, RRT-ACCS

Maria Madden MSc, RRT-ACCS, NPS, FAARC

Lucia Barlipp, MS, RRT

Dave Lutchman, BS, RRT, RPFT, NPS, ACCS

Note:

- *Limited to 1st 25 participants who register during online registration process and check the box.*

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

**Wine & Cheese Party
Vendor Exhibits**



8:00 pm - 10:30 pm

Welcome Party / Talent Show



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Maryland/
Virginia Room
3 CRCE's

Friday, September 12, 2025

Morning Sessions:

7:30 am - 8:30 am

Continental Breakfast

8:00 am - 9:00 am

“TBA”

Panagis Galiatsatos, MD, MHS

Johns Hopkins

9:00 am - 10:00 am

**Beyond the Lungs: How Functional Medicine
can Transform Respiratory Health**

Anna Sattah MD, IFMCP

Insight Functionbal health

10:00 am - 11:00 am

Trauma informed care in Pediatrics

Dr. Rachel Cane, MD, PhD.

Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center

11:00 am - 12:00 noon

Exclusive Vendor Time- Exhibits Open

12 noon - 1:00 pm

Lunch Buffet



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3 CRCE's

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Afternoon Sessions:

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Vaping, Marijuana & Hookah “What Were Weed Thinking?”

Karen Bennett, BSHCM, RRT-NPS, RPFT

Sr. Respiratory Therapist

University of Maryland Medical Center

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Moral Issues Related to End-of-Life Care **E

Kristen Hine, PhD

Professor of Philosophy

Towson University

3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Building a Bronchopulmonary Dysplasia Program: Challenges, Successes, and Lessons Learned

Dr. Kartikeya Makker MD MPH

Medical Director

Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center NICU

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

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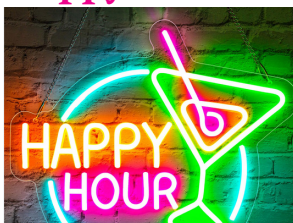
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4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Happy Hour / Conference Ends



Conference Committee

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The conference will be using the “Conference Tracker” application again to process online registrations and output CRCE certificates. Once you register and pay online you can download the attendee app which will provide you access to the conference schedule and activities.

Link to app

information: <https://www.engineerica.com/attendee/>

All CRCE certificates will be generated by using the Conference Tracker App. You must scan the QR codes provided at the conference rooms to earn your CRCE's.

Thursday, September 11: 8:00 pm - 10:30 pm

Welcome Party / Talent Show

Sign up link:

https://webnetworksmd.formstack.com/forms/cbs_talent_show



Scan to register and pay online for the conference here!

Registration Application:



Register & Pay online at: <https://www.conftrac.com/EMLRC25>
Additional conference information: www.conferencebythesea.net

1. Registration Application:

Name/Credentials _____

AARC # _____ Employer _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Contact Phone # _____ email: _____

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Please Make a Selection: Place a check in the box

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Ventilator Workshop (Thursday) <input type="checkbox"/> (Limited to 1st 25 people who register)	Ventilator Workshop (Friday) <input type="checkbox"/> (Limited to 1st 25 people who register)

NOTE: REFUND POLICY

THE CONFERENCE WILL NOT REFUND ANY REGISTRATION FEES AFTER AUGUST 1, 2025

Payment Information: (Make Checks Payable to: MDDC Society for Respiratory Care)

Payment Type: ☐Check ☐Visa ☐Mastercard ☐American Express ☐Discover

Credit Card # _____

Name on Card: _____

Billing Zip Code: _____

Security Code: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Total Amount\$ _____

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