

Intermountain States Seminar
45th Anniversary Meeting
Utah Hosting

*Intermountains'
Sapphire Success*

*45 Years of
Professional Progress*

Registration Booklet

September 17th-20th, 2008
Jackson Hole, WY

Deadline for pre-registration is
September 6th, 2008
Send in your registration today
Please pass on this booklet
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INTERMOUNTAINS' SAPPHIRE SUCCESS
45 YEARS OF PROFESSIONAL PROGRESS

SEPTEMBER 17-20, 2008

On behalf of the Utah Planning Committee and the IMSS Coordinating Committee, we would like to welcome each of you to the 45th Annual Intermountain States Seminar. Our theme this year is Intermountain Sapphire Success: 45 Years of Educational and Professional Excellence. We are thrilled to be able to offer you a program that offers new and progressive educational opportunities for all levels of laboratory professionals. 2008 has been a busy year for many of us as we have faced new professional challenges in the face of competitive bidding, licensure, and spiraling healthcare costs, but now it's time to exchange friendship, knowledge and experiences while we enjoy time among those who we share common interests. What you will experience during this year's conference is a culmination of people who carry commitment and effort to an extreme on the behalf of each laboratory professional. We should be grateful for their dedication to the benefit of laboratory sciences and the impact that we are able to have on patients and the families. We want to thank you for taking time out of your busy schedules to recognize and support our profession. We would also like to thank the vendors for their involvement in this wonderful educational opportunity. It is impressive that they are always committed to supporting the advancement of our laboratory professionals. Please take this opportunity to enjoy this comprehensive program, visit with vendors to learn what is new and coming in technology, and visit with other colleagues from the region.

See you there!

Ann Spjut

Karen Brownell

IMSS 2008 Co-Chairs

Accommodations

Participants are responsible for making their own reservations. We encourage you to make reservations at the Snow King Resort by **August 10th**. Identify yourself as an IMSS attendee for the group rates. Please mention any special needs at this time.

Snow King Resort - 1-800-522-KING (5456)
Virginian Lodge 1-800-262-4999

Registration Information

All fees listed apply to those registrations postmarked by **September 6, 2008**. An additional surcharge of \$10 will be added for late or on-site registration.

Payment in full must accompany the registration form. Payment in US dollars only. **NO GOVERNMENT VOUCHERS PLEASE!**

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For questions or more information contact:

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Join ASCLS now and attend IMSS for the lower ASCLS membership rates. ASCLS Membership form and fees must accompany this IMSS registration form to get the lower rates.

2008 Program Overview

Wednesday, September 17th

(all meetings to take place at Teton Library)

- 13:00 IMSS Coordinating Committee Meeting
- 14:00 IMSS General Business Meeting
- 15:00 ASCLS Region VIII Meeting
- 16:00 - 19:30 Registration: Virginian Lodge
- 17:00 - 20:00 No Host Cocktails - hors d'ouvres with the Exhibitors at the Virginian Lodge

Thursday, September 18th

- 06:30 - 17:30 Registration/P.A.C.E - Snow King Jackson Room
- 08:00 - 09:30 General Session - Snow King Pavilion

“China”

Yasmen Simonian Ph.D. and Kosrow Shotorbani

While describing their experiences on the diversity of China, a multidisciplinary healthcare team will share their Easter/Western medicine stories

- 09:30 - 10:00 Awards, and Announcements - Snow King Pavilion
- 10:15 - 11:15 Keynote - Snow King Pavilion

“US Forest Service; After the Fires”

Forest Service

We will explore the impact of a major fire on our national forests, how it affects wildlife and ecology. We will also discuss the various educational campaigns for fire prevention, and their impact on public perception.

- 11:30 - 14:30 **Lunch with Exhibitors** - Virginian Lodge
- 14:30 - 16:30 Workshops # 1-4 - Snow King

Friday, September 19th

- 06:30 - 17:30 Registration/P.A.C.E. - Snow King Jackson Room
- 07:00 Scientific Assembly Breakfast - Snow King
- 07:00 - 08:00 S.A. Educational Session - Snow King
- 08:15 - 10:00 General Session - Snow King

“Labs are Vital...You are Vital”

Paul L. Epner M.Ed., M.B.A.

Laboratorians often lament about not have a “seat at the table.” We will explore the untapped value YOU bring and hear strategies for mining that value for the betterment of patients and your own careers.

- 10:00 - 10:15 Break
- 10:15 - 11:30 Keynote - Snow King

“LEANing Toward Laboratory Efficiency”

Farogh Nazari, PhD, CLS(NCA)

Personnel shortage and budget cut backs have impacted the clinical laboratories in ways that was unimaginable in the not too distance past. This program focuses on the LEAN concepts and tools and their implementation in the clinical laboratory

- 11:30 - 14:30 **Lunch with Exhibitors** - Virginian Lodge
- 14:30 - 16:30 Workshops # 5-8 - Snow King
- 19:00 Banquet -

Saturday, September 20th

- 07:00 - 13:00 Registration/P.A.C.E. - Snow King Jackson Room
- 08:00 - 10:00 Workshops # 9-12 - Snow King
- 10:30 - 12:30 Workshops # 13-16 - Snow King
- 13:00 IMSS Coordinating Committee - Snow King

Thursday Workshops

1. Unannounced Inspection!! Prepared or Panicked?

Debra Zurn

What will you do at 7:30 a.m. when a team of inspectors arrives at your facility? Will you panic or will everyone know their role and where to find the needed documentation? This class will provide information on how to organize and develop a Quality Management plan, identify and assign roles, and ideas on how to store and retrieve inspection documentation materials.

2. Point of Care, Leading the Way

Jo D Fontenot M.S., MT (ASCP)

Participants will be able to define compliance requirements for Point of care including Joint Commission and CAP. Provides recommendations and guidelines for setting up a successful point of care program including hospital oversight and training and competency for non laboratory personnel.

3. Diagnosis of Antiphospholipid Syndrome in the Clinical Laboratory

Michael Nardi, MS, H(ASCP)SH

Antiphospholipid Syndrome is defined as the association between the persistent presence of circulating antiphospholipid antibodies in plasma and the presence of a history of thrombosis and/or pregnancy morbidity including fetal loss. Its accurate diagnosis is central to proper patient management by prophylactic anticoagulant therapy to prevent thrombosis or fetal loss from recurring.

4. A New Day In Virology

Patricia Harris, MS, SM(AAM),

The presentation will review the novel and past virology methods, including “totally tubeless testing”, means of reporting in 15 minutes to 36 hours all pathogenic human culturable viruses and compare methods for better understanding of the participants.

Friday Workshops

5. (Re)Training without tears: An employee-centered approach to training, re-training, and error correction.

Dov Siporin

During this presentation, we will discuss the training regimen for entry-level employees in Specimen Processing at ARUP Laboratories, how this training is reinforced, and how error correction and prevention is conducted during training and throughout the employee’s tenure in Specimen Processing

6. Blood Bank

Dr Chris Lehman

No information available about this session at printing time.

7. Understanding QC

Bio-Rad

No information available about this session at printing time.

8. Follow the Flow

Marcy Call (presenter), Anna Hoffman (slides)

A brief overview of flow cytometry discussing methods of communications with hematopathologists. We will review the sequence of events in the generation of flow results and use examples of flow to interpret examples.

Saturday 08:00 Workshops

9. EEEEK! Newborn Differentials

Janet Oertli

Pictures, trips, tricks and ideas to make newborn differentials easier to do and less intimidating, along with presentation of some case studies to help put it all together.

10. Can't We All Just Get Along?

Kevin Cummings

Do you enjoy conflict? Do you look forward to a good knock-down, drag-out fight with a loved one, co-worker, supervisor or friend? Or would you rather run away and hide? Most people prefer to avoid conflict because they aren't very good at dealing with it positively. In this entertaining seminar you'll gain a new insight into what causes conflict and learn techniques for resolving conflict instead of having a fight.

11. Creating a culture of safety in phlebotomy

Karl Kamper

Specimen collection remains one of the most critical steps in quality laboratory testing. Pre-analytical staff is at the greatest risk of exposure to blood borne pathogens, because of the tools they use during specimen collection. It is important to recognize the safety focused improvements that are being made in specimen collection. We must understand how to select and implement appropriate tools, and what to do when those products don't meet expectations.

12. Driving for Olympic Gold

Gary Westbroek

How do Olympic Athletes use drive, ambition, determination, and excellence to achieve their gold?

Saturday 10:30 Workshops

13. Work Force Shortage Got You Down? Let's Explore Options

Kara Hansen-Suchy, M.Ed., MT(ASCP)SH

Online program can be a viable educational alternative and serve to produce well trained 'home-grown' laboratory professionals. We will explore the evolution of online programs, the degree of laboratory involvement, and the quality of online education compared to traditional campus classrooms.

14. Lean in Practice

Bonnie Messinger and Patrick Fasse

Improvement projects using Lean principles and tools range from those that are costly and resource intensive to projects that cost little more than the desire for change. Lean provides the template for change usable for small and large organizations with breakthrough success. This presentation provides examples of some practical applications of Lean in the laboratory.

15. Celiac Disease: More than a Bad Stomach Ache, Diagnosis, Intervention and the Difficulties of the Disease at all Ages

Ginger Weeden, CLS(NCA) MT(ASCP)

Celiac disease's offending antibodies and its relationship with other autoimmune disease and non-autoimmune diseases are explored. Learn about the diagnostic tests used for diagnosis, the other tools being using and what the consequences are of misdiagnosis or delayed diagnosis.

16. The Hidden Epidemic of Anemia: Emerging Biochemical Markers

David F. Schaffner Ph.D., MT(ASCP)

Discussion on the impact of anemia on patient care as it contributes to increased morbidity and mortality on a worldwide basis. The pathophysiology, and the various classifications of anemia will be explored. The Clinical Laboratory's role will be examined both from an historical perspective and with a look at emerging biochemical markers of anemia.

Exhibitor Hours - Virginian Lodge

Scientific Assembly Sunrise Educational Session

Come join us for an early morning session where we will hold a discussion on the hottest topics in our field. We will examine current issues related to Chemistry, Hematology, Immunohematology, and Microbiology. Be prepared for a lively and interactive discussion. A light continental breakfast will be provided.

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Thursday, September 18th
 Lunch 11:30 - 14:00

Friday, September 19th
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Participating Vendor List as of 7/31/2008

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| Abbott Labs | Advanced Instruments |
| American Red Cross | Amerinet |
| Antek Healthcare | BD Diagnostics |
| BD GeneOhm | Beckman Coulter |
| Beckman Coulter | Billings Clinic |
| bioMerieux, Inc. | Bio-Rad Laboratories |
| BioTest | CACMLE |
| Cardinal Health | Cepheid |
| Diagnostic Hybrids, Inc. | Diagnostica Stago |
| Diamedix Corp. | Fisher Healthcare |
| Frontline Laboratory Network | Gen-Probe |
| Hemocue, Inc. | Horiba ABX |
| Immucor, Inc. | INOVA Diagnostics |
| Intermountain Healthcare | Inverness Medical |
| Iris Diagnostics | Leeds Precision |
| Mayo Medical | Modern Laboratory Services |
| Nanogen, Inc. | Olympus |
| Orchard Software | Quest Diagnostics |
| Radiometer America | Rees Scientific |
| Remel Thermo Fisher | Sebia Electrophoresis |
| Siemens Healthcare | Streck |
| Sysmex | The BindingSite |
| Tosoh Bioscience | United Blood Services |

Registration / P.A.C.E. Validation

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 Virginian Lobby 16:00 - 20:00

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 Snow King Jackson Room 06:30 - 17:30

Friday, September 19th
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Saturday, September 20th
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Participant Registration Form

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NAME (please print) _____ e-mail address * _____

Mailing Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Employer _____ City/State _____ Job Title _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ ASCLS # _____

* confirmations will be sent by e-mail only

MEMBERS: Please include copy of current ASCLS membership.

Mark "X" if requesting accommodation(s) for disability. Explain on a separate sheet,

Special Needs/ADA: IMSS welcomes participants with disabilities. We will make every effort to accommodate your disability and provide services you need to attend and enjoy our conference. **if you do request special accommodations, you must pre-register by 8-17-08.** We may not be able to accommodate participants who do not pre-register and give advanced notice. When you pre-register, please provide an accurate description of your disability and the accommodations that you are requesting.

NON-ASCLS Members: Join ASCLS NOW and attend IMSS for the lowest possible rate. ASCLS Membership form and fees must accompany the registration form to get the lower rate. Go to www.ascls.org to join now.

Payment in full must accompany the registration form. Registrations received without full payment will be held until full payment is received. Payment must be made in US dollars only. SORRY, no government vouchers, purchase orders, or credit cards will be accepted. No refunds will be given after September 10, 2008.

Make checks payable to IMSS.

All fees listed apply to registrations postmarked by September 6, 2008. An additional surcharge of \$10 will be added for late or on-site registrations.

FEE SCHEDULE:

Full Registration: Includes breakfast, lunch and snack breaks, general sessions, all exhibit events and workshops (Friday Night Banquet is a separate charge)

One-Day Registration: Includes breakfast, lunch and snack breaks, general session, exhibit events and workshops for that day. (Friday Night Banquet is a separate charge)

Institutional Registration: The Institutional Pass is \$500.00 and is good for 4 one-day passes. Up to 4 people may share one pass in any combination for up to 4 days.

Guest: A guest is defined as a friend or relative accompanying a paid registrant and not associated with the field of Clinical Laboratory Science or a representative industry **Full Registration** includes breakfast, general sessions, all exhibits, and one workshop. **One-Day Registration** includes one general session, one exhibit, and one workshop. **Additional Guest Workshops** can be added to one of the above registrations but are not available by themselves.

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| please circle your category from those listed below | | Full Registration | 1 Day Registration Circle: Th F S |
| ASCLS Professional Member/Non-Member | | \$195/\$385 | \$90/\$175 |
| ASCLS Student or Emeritus Member/Student Non-Member | | \$130/\$170 | \$65/\$85 |
| Phlebotomist | | \$170 | \$85 |
| Collaborative Member | | \$288.75 | \$131.50 |
| Guest | Additional Workshops \$25 | \$60 | \$35 |
| Exhibits Only: Entrance Fee (one time pass, includes provided food) | | | |
| | | \$20 | |
| Friday Night Banquet - \$25.00 each | | # attending total | # _____ \$ _____ |

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| Registration Fees: * Deadline September 6, 2008 | \$ |
| Late Registration Fee: (on site or postmarked after Sept 6, 2008) | \$10 |
| Total Remittance (make checks payable to IMSS) | \$ |

| Workshops (circle those you will be attending) | | | | |
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| Thursday | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Friday | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| Saturday 08:00 to 10:00 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| Saturday 10:30 to 12:30 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |

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Please **make a copy of this form for your records**. Be sure that you include your e-mail address for confirma-

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| <p>Make checks payable to IMSS, and mail registration form, copy of membership card (if applicable), and full payment to:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JaNiece Warren 3592 Cochise Drive West Valley City, UT 84120-3328</p> |
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tion of your registration as this will only be done via e-mail

Lodging Accommodations:

Participants are responsible for making their own lodging reservations. We encourage participants to book lodging at the Snow King or the Virginian Lodge. Reservations must be booked by August 17, 2008 to get IMSS negotiated rates. When booking, please indicate IMSS. More lodging information is available on our website at www.imss.asclsregionVIII.org.

Snow King Resort 1-800-522-5464 (KING)

Hotel Room/night: Single/Double: \$145 Triple: \$150 Quad: \$155

Condo/night: Studio: \$175 1 Bedroom: \$220 2 Bedroom: \$265 3 Bedroom: \$310 4 Bedroom \$350

Virginian Lodge 1-800-262-4999 Single/Double/Triple \$98 /night Jacuzzi or kitchenette suite \$130 /night

We look forward to seeing you in Jackson

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Institution: _____

Street Address, City, State, Zip Code: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

The Institutional Pass is good for 4 one-day passes and includes : general sessions, meals, workshops, and social events scheduled for that day (except for the Friday Banquet). An institutional pass is \$500.00. Up to 4 people may share one pass in any combination. The Friday Banquet is an additional \$25.00 per person.

Please print each participant's name and place an "X" in the boxes corresponding to the workshops being attended by each.

| | Participants Names | Thursday Sept 18th | | | | Friday Sept 19th | | | | Saturday Sessions Sept 20th | | | | Banquet Sept 19th | | | |
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| | | Sessions | | | | Sessions | | | | 08:00 - 10:00 | | | | | 10:30 - 12:30 | | |
| 1 | Day(s) (circle) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
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| 4 | Th F S | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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Number of institutional passes _____ x \$500.00 = \$ _____
 Friday Banquet tickets _____ x \$25.00 = \$ _____
 Total = \$ _____