

Imagine 2026 and Beyond: Taking Your Laboratories into the Future

Achieving Excellence in Patient-Centered Care

Saturday, October 10, 2026

7:15 - 8:00	Registration & Breakfast - Visit Vendor Exhibits & Posters			Lobby
8:00 - 8:05	Welcome to Imagine 2026: Taking Your Laboratories into the Future			Auditorium
	<i>Gary Catarella, MBA, MT (ASCP) & Ruth Lininger, MD, MPH</i>			
8:05 - 9:05	KEYNOTE #1: Implementing a Pathology Clinic and the Role of Digital Pathology, Plus a Patient Perspective			Auditorium
	<i>Lija Joseph, MD & Deedee O'Brien</i>			
9:05 - 9:35	Driving Laboratory Value with Patient Centered Pathology Reporting			Auditorium
	<i>Rajesh Dash, MD & Nicholas Befera, MD</i>			
9:35 - 9:50	Vendor Exhibits, Break & Visit Posters			
	Track 1	Track 2	Track 3	
9:50 - 10:20	Advocate National Clinical Trials initiative, with AI Driven Matching, Centralized Data Tracking <i>Adam Samson, MSHS</i>	Gestational Trophoblastic Diseases Placental Pathology <i>Diana Kozman, MD</i>	PA Workload Metrics and Staffing <i>Jack Green, MHS, PA(ASCP)</i>	Breakout 1
10:20 - 10:35	Vendor Exhibits, Break & Visit Posters			
10:35 - 11:05	Diagnostic Stewardship Project for Hematopathology Malignancy NGS Testing <i>Sarah Rapisardo, PhD; Jadee Neff, MD, PhD</i>	Enterprise Approach to Point-of-Care Testing and Remote Patient Monitoring <i>Holly Hunt, MLS (ASCP)CM, CPP</i>	Needle Biopsies of the Mediastinum <i>Kim Geisinger, MD</i>	Breakout 2
11:05 - 11:20	Vendor Exhibits, Break & Visit Posters			Lobby
11:20 - 12:05	Redesigning Pathology Services for Patient Centered Care – Imagine the Possibilities			Auditorium
	Moderator: Gary Catarella, MBA, MT (ASCP) <i>Anne Buckley, MD, PhD; Diana Cardona, MD, MBA; Lija Joseph, MD; Deedee</i>			
12:05 - 1:00	Lunch, Vendor Exhibits, Break & Visit Posters			Lobby

More information at:

<https://www.southpiedmontahec.org/event/77569>

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1:00 - 2:00	KEYNOTE #2: Leveraging AI for Innovation: Clinical Challenges and Future Solutions			Auditorium
	<i>Diana Cardona, MD MBA; Metin Gurcan, PhD</i>			
2:00 - 2:15	Vendor Exhibits, Break & Visit Posters			Lobby
2:15 - 3:00	Digital Pathology and AI Panel: Updates and New Frontiers			Auditorium
	Moderator: <i>William Jeck, MD, PhD</i>			
	<i>Diana Cardona, MD MBA; Carolyn Glass, MD, PhD; Metin Gurcan, PhD</i>			
3:00 - 3:10	Vendor Exhibits, Break & Visit Posters			Lobby
	Track 1	Track 2	Track 3	
3:10 - 4:10	Racial Biology and Medical Misconceptions <i>Andrea Deyrup, MD, PhD</i> 1 CMP Ethics	Population Genetic Screening: The UNC Experience <i>Kimberly Foss, MS, CGC</i>	Better Staffing, Better Care: The Lab Workforce Advantage <i>Rita A. Winsor, MSHR, SHRM-SCP</i>	Breakout 3
4:10 - 4:40	Diagnostic Stewardship in Clinical Microbiology: Ensuring the Right Test at the Right Time <i>Alyssa Hubal, PhD</i>	Implementation of Atrium Health's Patient Blood & Anemia Management Program <i>Chandler Purser, BSN, RN, TCTN</i>	Forensic Autopsies and Updates on the State-of-the-Art Autopsy Facility <i>Tiffany O'Neill, DO</i>	Breakout 4
4:40 - 4:45	Awards and Closing Remarks			Auditorium
	<i>Ruth Lininger, MD, MPH & Phil Boyer, MD, PhD</i>			



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