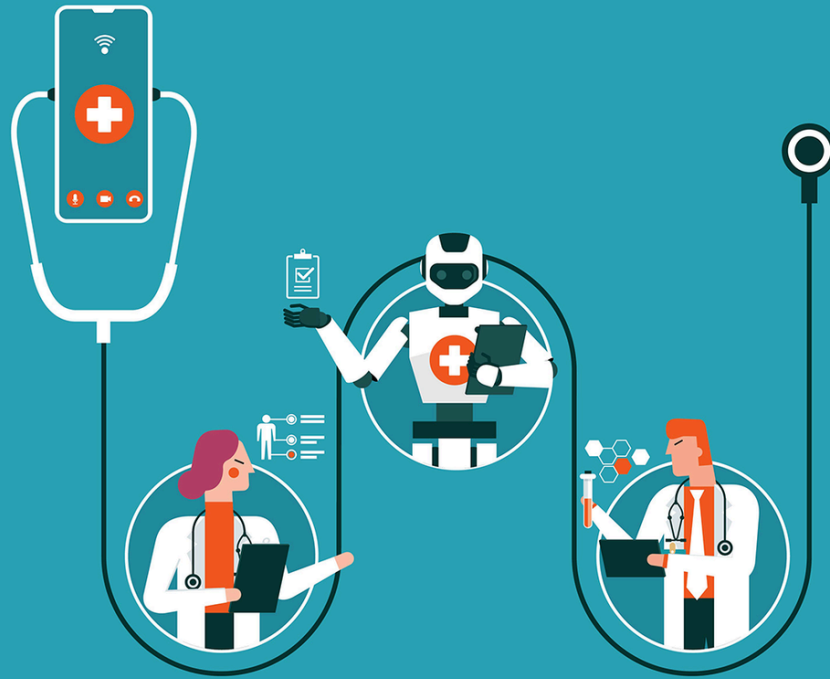




SERGIO RABINOVICH INFECTIOUS DISEASES CONFERENCE

Professional Development Conference

Wednesday, December 2, 2026 | 8:00 am – 4:05 pm

Illinois Education Association | 3440 Liberty Dr | Springfield



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8:00 am - 8:30 am

Check-in and breakfast

8:30 am - 8:40 am

Welcome and opening remarks

8:40 am - 9:10 am

Rash encounters: Recognizing childhood infections at first sight

Marcela Rodriguez, MD, MPH

9:10 am - 9:30 am

Updates in HIV

Zainab Alnafoosi, MD

9:30 am - 10:00 am

Newer antibiotics

Beth Cady, PharmD

10:00 am - 10:20 am

Travel medicine and immunizations

Hannah Eckles, PharmD

Jessica Kunken, NP-C

Sandesh Gyawali, MBBS, MD

10:20 am - 10:40 am

Break, exhibitors and poster presentations

10:40 am - 11:00 am

Fungal infections and new antifungals

Saliha Saleem, MD

11:00 am - 11:20 am

Endocarditis

Sana Waqar, MD

11:20 am - 11:50 am

Vaccine-preventable diseases across time: Lessons for today's children

Ezzeldin Saleh, MD

11:50 am - 12:10 pm

Panel with morning speakers

Marcela Rodriguez, MD, MPH

Zainab Alnafoosi, MD

Beth Cady, PharmD

Hannah Eckles, PharmD

Jessica Kunken, NP-C

Sandesh Gyawali, MBBS, MD

Saliha Saleem, MD

Sana Waqar, MD

Ezzeldin Saleh, MD

12:10 pm - 1:00 pm

Lunch and exhibitors

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

AI in medical education panel

Traves Crabtree, MD

Chaitanya Mamillapalli, MD, MRCP, FAPCR

Sowmy Thuppal, MD, PhD

Vidya Sundareshan, MD, MPH, MACP, FIDSA, FAWMA

2:00 pm - 2:20 pm

Break and exhibitors

2:20 pm - 2:40 pm

Wound care is a team sport

Vidya Sundareshan, MD, MPH, MACP, FIDSA, FAWMA

Nancy Chatham, NP, MSN, APN, CNS, CWOCN-AP, CWS, CLT

2:40 pm - 3:00 pm

Infections in immunocompromised patients

Samar Waqar, MD

3:00 pm - 3:20 pm

Recurrent urinary tract infections: Challenges in management

Sandesh Gyawali, MBBS, MD

Kelsey Reed, NP-C

3:20 pm - 3:40 pm

The changing landscape of hepatitis C

Seshkanta Lamichhane, MD

Maryann Van Ryn, DNP, FNP-C

3:40 pm - 4:00 pm

Panel with afternoon speakers

Vidya Sundareshan, MD, MPH, MACP, FIDSA, FAWMA

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4:00 pm - 4:05 pm

Closing comments

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SIU SCHOOL OF MEDICINE SPEAKERS

Zainab Alnafoosi, MD

Assistant Professor of Clinical Internal Medicine
Division of Infectious Diseases

Beth Cady, PharmD

Clinical Associate Professor
Southern Illinois University Edwardsville

Traves Crabtree, MD

Professor and Chief, Division of Cardiothoracic Surgery
Department of Surgery

Hannah Eckles, PharmD

Pharmacist
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Sandesh Gyawali, MBBS, MD

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Jessica Kunken, NP-C

Nurse Practitioner
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Seshkanta Lamichhane, MD

Fellow
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Marcela Rodriguez, MD, MPH

Professor of Clinical Pediatrics
Division of Pediatric Infectious Diseases

Ezzeldin Saleh, MD

Associate Professor of Clinical Pediatrics
Division of Pediatric Infectious Diseases

Saliha Saleem, MD

Assistant Professor of Clinical Internal Medicine
Division of Infectious Diseases

Sowmy Thuppai, MD, PhD

Vice Chair, Associate Research Professor
Department of Population Science and Policy

Maryann Van Ryn, DNP, FNP-C

Nurse Practitioner
Division of Infectious Diseases

Samar Waqar, MD

Assistant Professor of Clinical Internal Medicine
Division of Infectious Diseases

Sana Waqar, MD

Associate Professor of Clinical Internal Medicine
Division of Infectious Diseases
Director, Antimicrobial Stewardship, Memorial Health

GUEST SPEAKERS

Nancy Chatham, NP, MSN, APN, CNS, CWOCN-AP, CWS, CLT

Director, Advanced Wound Program
Nurse Practitioner
HSHS St. John's Hospital

Chaitanya Mamillapalli, MD, MRCP, FAPCR

Chief Executive Officer, MedEdx.ai
Endocrinology Section Chairman, Springfield Clinic

COURSE DIRECTORS

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