



BRANCH OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR MICROBIOLOGY

2023 ISM Fall Meeting

Tuesday, November 14th, 2023

Double Tree by Hilton Hotel

1909 Spring Road, Oakbrook, Illinois, 60523

7:00 AM

Registration & Continental Breakfast

8:15 AM

Opening Remarks

8:30 AM

Infections in Refugees arriving in Chicago

Kamaljit S. Singh, MD

Chair, Microbiology and Molecular Virology Laboratories
John H. Stroger Jr. Hospital of Cook County

9:30 AM

Visit the Exhibits

10:30 AM

"M'lord, M'lady, M'laria" - A review and update on the current status of malaria in the United States

Dr. Kenneth Gavina, PhD

Assistant Professor of Clinical Pathology & Laboratory Medicine
Medical Director of Clinical Microbiology and Serology for Eskenazi Health
Indiana University School of Medicine

12:00 Noon

Lunch (Visit Exhibits)

1:15 PM

Invasive Group A Streptococcal case burden, 2002-2023

Karrie-Ann Toews, PhD

Career Epidemiology Field Officer (CEFO)
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Stepping through Strep: Public health response on the surge in invasive Group A strep Infections

Arti Barnes, MD, MPH

Medical Director/Chief Medical Officer
Illinois Department of Public Health

2:30 PM

Looking Beyond the Numbers: Best Practices for Improving Blood Culture Collection

Amanda Harrington, PhD

Director, Clinical Microbiology Laboratory
Professor, Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine
Loyola Medicine/Loyola University Chicago

3:30 PM

Adjourn

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