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November 12, 2019
Foster Links Golf Course
13500 Interurban Ave S
Tukwila, WA

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Registration forms must be postmarked by October 21.
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Registration Information

The registration fee of $95.00 includes attendance at the conference, lunch, and breaks. Advance registrations must be postmarked by October 21, 2019. On-site registrations will be accepted the morning of the conference, but will not include lunch. Full payment must accompany all registrations. Note: Conference registration will be processed by the American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science-WA (ASCLS-WA). Make your checks payable to ASCLS-WA. Those registrations received without full payment will be held and the registrant notified. Due to facility and session expense obligations, no refunds are permitted.

Accommodations

Numerous hotels are available near SeaTac Airport and the South Center Mall. There is also a Days Inn just off of Exit 156 from I-5. Check with the hotels regarding shuttle or taxi service to the Foster Links Golf Course.

Foster Links Golf Course Directions

Facility Address: 13500 Interurban Ave S, Tukwila, WA

Southbound on I-5: Take exit #156 (Tukwila, Interurban Ave). Turn left onto Interurban Avenue S. Foster Links Golf Course is approximately 1/2 mile on the left side of Interurban Avenue just past the Park & Ride.

Northbound on I-5: Take exit #156 (WA-599 N / Tukwila). Take the Tukwila exit and turn right onto Interurban Avenue S. Foster Links Golf Course is approximately 1/2 mile on the left side of Interurban Avenue just past the Park & Ride.

Parking: There is no charge for parking at Foster Links Golf Course.

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Program Highlights

**Dennis Weissman** is the President of Dennis Weissman & Associates, LLC. This presentation will focus on how a series of federal reimbursement and policy initiatives plus heightened market volatility are affecting both the financial and competitive viability of clinical labs and pathology practices nationwide. Meantime, ongoing moves by the Trump Administration to chip away at Obamacare mandates via its executive power and legal challenges raise concerns over turbulence in insurance markets thereby assuring that healthcare remains a dominant issue during the 2020 election cycle.

**Melissa Upton, MD**, a pathologist with the University of Washington will focus her presentation on the efforts by the American Society for Clinical Pathology to address evolving challenges faced by pathologists and laboratory professionals in providing appropriate tests for the right patient at the right time, at the right cost.

**Nancy Anderson, MMSc,MT(ASCP)**, is the Senior Advisor for Clinical Laboratories in the Division of Laboratory Systems (DLS) at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Her presentation will provide an overview of the Division of Laboratory Systems at the CDC, focusing on their role in the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) program. She will highlight DLS management of the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Advisory Committee (CLIAC) and discuss recent recommendations. She will also describe the free online laboratory training courses developed by DLS.

**Scott Lindquist, MD, MPH** is the WA State Epidemiologist for Communicable Diseases and Deputy Health Officer. His presentation will provide an overview of recent outbreaks of measles and hepatitis A. He will also provide the most current Ebola planning and testing information.

**Emily Schneider, MPH**, is a regional epidemiologist with the Antibiotic Resistance Laboratory Network (ARLN) at the Washington State Department of Health in the Office of Communicable Disease Epidemiology.