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## Preliminary Program Guide

**AAIM 126<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING**

Sunday, October 15 - Wednesday, October 18, 2017

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## WELCOME LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Colleague,

It is my distinct pleasure to invite you to the 126<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Insurance Medicine which will be held October 15-18, 2017 in the Atlanta suburb of Buckhead. Atlanta natives like to refer to Buckhead as the Beverly Hills of Atlanta and as a recent visitor, I can attest to that status. Wonderful hotels, delightful restaurants and high-end shopping abound to please even the most critical traveler. The headquarters for our meeting will be the Westin Buckhead Atlanta. A recently-renovated member of the Westin family, it is “right-sized” for our meeting in that we will be the only significant meeting taking place in the facility at the time, which should assure us of undivided attention from the staff.

Our opening night reception is planned for the hotel's Palm Restaurant, a name with national recognition. Sunday's afternoon activity will offer you a choice of history, science, sports or “pop” culture, with a chance to visit either the Center for Human and Civil Rights, the Georgia Aquarium, the College Football Hall of Fame or the Coca-Cola Museum, all centrally located within one block of each other. Our farewell dinner will be at the Atlanta Museum of History, which offers a fascinating look at this gem of the South from Antebellum, through the Civil War and into the modern city Atlanta is today. For the spouses, we are excited to offer a unique activity that very few people will ever have the chance to experience. AmericasMart is a huge wholesale marketplace that is usually closed to the public but we have made arrangements so that our guests can shop here for fashion, leather goods, and LOTS of jewelery, all at significant savings. On Tuesday, spouses can tour the Atlanta Botanical Gardens and have lunch at Mary Mac's, officially recognized as “Atlanta's Dining Room”. Atlanta residents give a big thumbs up for both days' activities.

One of the reasons we selected Atlanta as our venue was because of the easy accessibility of flights to Hartsfield International Airport. Nearly all areas of the US and many overseas locations have direct flights to Atlanta, most at a very reasonable cost. It promises to be an outstanding conference with easy access to Atlanta, affordable accommodations, outstanding speakers and lots to do.

The theme of this year's meeting is “*Transitions*”. Tim Steffen as Chair and the members of the Program Committee have created an intriguing agenda that we believe will enhance the attendees' overall experience. In the theme of *Transitions* we have undertaken several new changes to the usual meeting format which we believe will deliver more interaction, better focus on medical directors' specific needs and greater networking. Specifically, we have:

- Three world-renowned keynote speakers;
- Added a Sunday afternoon informal, no-cost session for new medical directors, during which several experienced senior medical directors will address the soft side of insurance medicine including current insurance organizations, dealing with corporate expectations, transitioning from clinical practice, as well as any other questions or topics audience members wish to cover;

- Increased the number of concurrent workshops, allowing more interaction;
- Increased the number of insurance industry speakers who typically better understand our needs;
- Increased the opportunities for colleague networking.

Our first keynote speaker will be Dr. Elizabeth Arias, epidemiologist and Director of US Life Table Program at the Center for Disease Control, who will address **Mortality Trends in the United States: Past, Present and Future**. Tuesday morning will kick off with our second keynote speaker, Dr. Sanjiv Chopra, Professor of Medicine, former Faculty Dean for Continuing Medical Education at the Harvard Medical School. A prolific author and noted public speaker as well as a noted hepatologist, Dr. Chopra will discuss one of his favorite topics, **The Top Stories in Medicine in the Last Century: Predictions about the Next 50 Years**, before leading concurrent sessions on hepatic disease. Wednesday morning we will have our third keynote speaker, Dr. Vin Tangpricha who serves on national practice panels for transgender health issues. In addition, we have scheduled workshops on evaluation of dementia, how to deal with disability claims with an emphasis on back pain, the long-term effects of premature birth, syncope and tachy arrhythmias, morbidity and mortality of transgender therapies and an update on prostate cancer. We also have industry speakers who will address: underwriting applicants from other parts of the world, interesting life and LTC claims, dealing with abnormal lab values, determining risk in rare and under-studied medical conditions and how to write a medical paper for a Journal of Insurance Medicine submission. I believe the committee has put together an agenda that will provide you with the most up-to-date information as well as practical tips that you can use the first morning that you return from Atlanta.

One of our goals is to increase the networking of participants and so to help that along I would ask that you bring at least 100 business cards to share with fellow attendees. The person who collects the most might just win a prize at the end of the conference!

I look forward to seeing you in Atlanta for the 126<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of AAIM!

Sincerely,

Michael Moore, MD, FACP, MBA  
AAIM President 2016-2017

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Schedule as of May 10, 2017. Times, topics and speakers are subject to change.

DATE	ACTIVITY	TIME
SUNDAY, October 15	Pre-Conference Course: Basic Mortality Methodology	08:00 – 17:00
	Registration and Information Desk	12:00 – 18:00
	Panel: Introduction to Insurance Medicine	15:00 – 17:00
	New Members' Welcome Reception: Palm Restaurant	17:30 – 18:00
	Welcome Reception: Palm Restaurant	18:00 – 20:00
	DELEGATE BREAKFAST	07:00 – 07:45
	Greetings/Business	07:40 – 08:00
	Platform: Mortality Trends in the United States: Past, Present and Future	08:00 – 09:00
	Concurrent: Under the Dementia Umbrella: Differential Diagnosis, Risk Stratification, and Opportunities	09:10 – 10:25
	Concurrent: Disability Claims: Taking a Look at Common Spine Impairments	09:10 – 10:25
	Concurrent: Morbidity and Mortality of Infant Prematurity	09:10 – 10:25
	REFRESHMENT BREAK	10:25 – 10:45
	Concurrent: Under the Dementia Umbrella: Differential Diagnosis, Risk Stratification, and Opportunities (repeat)	10:45 – 12:00
	Concurrent: Disability Claims: Taking a Look at Common Spine Impairments (repeat)	10:45 – 12:00
MONDAY, October 16	Concurrent: Morbidity and Mortality of Infant Prematurity (repeat)	10:45 – 12:00
	LUNCH – BIRDS OF A FEATHER	12:00 – 13:00
	Platform: Decoding the Risk: Exploring the DNA of Genetic Testing Results for Risk Assessment in Insurance	13:00 – 14:00
	Concurrent: Long Term Care Products: Where Are We Now?	14:10 – 15:25
	Concurrent: Laboratory Test Results that Are the Bane of Our Existence! An Evidence-based Approach	14:10 – 15:25
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	Concurrent: Underwriting Those from Other Parts of the World (repeat)	15:45 – 17:00
	FREE EVENING	
	DELEGATE BREAKFAST	07:00 – 07:45
	Greetings / Business	07:55 – 08:00
	Platform: Top Stories in Medicine in the Last Century: Predictions about the Next 50 Years	08:00 – 09:00
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Concurrent: The Rise and Fall of Liver Biopsy (repeat)	10:45 – 12:00	
TUESDAY, October 17	BUSINESS MEETING/LUNCH	12:00 – 13:15
	Platform: It's Not Always Tacky to Talk Syncope	13:15 – 14:15
	Concurrent: Evaluating Risk in Rare and Understudied Medical Conditions	14:25 – 15:40
	Concurrent: Interactive EKG Workshop	14:25 – 15:40
	Concurrent: How to Submit a JIM Article	14:25 – 15:40
	REFRESHMENT BREAK	15:40 – 15:55
	Concurrent: Evaluating Risk in Rare and Understudied Medical Conditions (repeat)	15:55 – 17:10
	Concurrent: Interactive EKG Workshop (repeat)	15:55 – 17:10
	Concurrent: Speakers' Corner	15:55 – 17:10
	Farewell Dinner: Atlanta History Center	18:30 – 22:00
	DELEGATE BREAKFAST	07:00 – 07:55
	Greetings / Business	07:55 – 08:00
	Platform: Morbidity and Mortality of Transgender Therapies	08:00 – 09:00
	Platform: Prostate Cancer: To Treat or not to Treat, That is the Question	09:00 – 10:00
WEDNESDAY, October 18	REFRESHMENT BREAK	10:00 – 10:15
	Platform Panel: Conference Round-up	10:15 – 11:15

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### TRAVEL

#### By Air

The Westin Buckhead Atlanta is located about 19 miles (30 minutes) from the Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL), which is served by all major domestic and international carriers. Visit [www.atl.com](http://www.atl.com) for airport information.

#### Taxis

The flat rate for a cab ride from the airport to the Westin Buckhead Atlanta is \$40 USD for one or two passengers. Surcharges may apply for additional passengers. Taxis are available outside the Baggage Claim areas of the Domestic and International Terminals (Arrivals Level). There may be an additional charge for extra baggage. Rates are subject to change without notice.

#### Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA)

MARTA offers convenient train transportation to Buckhead from the Atlanta Airport. Follow the signs from the Domestic Terminal.

**Cost:**  
\$3.50 USD one way if purchased from the machine; \$4.50 USD if purchased from the ticket agent at the station. Total travel time is approximately 30 minutes.

**Directions:**

- From the Baggage Claims Area, follow the signs to the train station, which is connected to the Domestic terminal at the end of the Baggage Claims Area.
- Take the Red Line Northbound from the Domestic terminal.
- Take the Buckhead exit and follow the signs to Peachtree Road.
- The hotel is one block from the station (3391 Peachtree Road N.E.)

### AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

The hotel is compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act. ADA-compliant guest rooms are available.

### DRESS CODE

Business Casual is appropriate for all scientific sessions. Please bring a sweater as the temperature in the meeting rooms may fluctuate. Business Casual is suggested for the Sunday evening Welcome Reception and Business Attire for the Tuesday Farewell Dinner.

### WEATHER

The temperatures in Atlanta in mid-October ranging from 53°F to 73°F. The relative humidity is usually around 46% but can be higher in October.

### NON-SMOKING

All scientific sessions and social functions will be non-smoking. All guest rooms and public spaces at the Westin Buckhead Atlanta are 100% smoke-free.

### PRESENTATION MATERIALS

In the spirit of sustainability, AAIM will not be providing delegates with hard copies of presentations. Presentations will be available for download from the AAIM conference website only. A specific link will be emailed to registered delegates in early October, and the site will be updated with any revised presentations following the meeting.

## ACCOMMODATION

The Westin Buckhead Atlanta  
3391 Peachtree Road N.E.  
Atlanta, GA 30326 USA  
Hotel Direct: 1-404-365-0065  
[www.westinbuckheadatlanta.com](http://www.westinbuckheadatlanta.com)

The Westin Buckhead Atlanta is situated in the heart of the action, on Peachtree Road amid world-class shopping and dining destinations.

Those seeking a little retail therapy need look no further than adjacent, high-end shopping venues such as Lenox Mall and Phipps Plaza. Families hoping to keep the kids entertained can reach LEGOLAND Discovery Center, the Georgia Aquarium—the world’s largest aquarium—and the new World of Coca-Cola within minutes.

Brimming with history and culture, the area boasts countless attractions such as the Margaret Mitchell House, Martin Luther King’s birthplace, the High Museum of Art, and Atlantic Station. Buckhead’s rolling hills and tree-lined streets make the neighborhood ideal for a leisurely stroll or an invigorating run.

### Hotel Amenities:

- Wireless high-speed Internet access in all guest rooms is complimentary for AAIM guests
- All 365 guestrooms feature the famous Heavenly® Bed, in-room safe, work desk with ergonomic chair, and fresh brew Starbucks® coffee and Tazo® tea with a personal Westin WakeCup® brewer.
- Complimentary wireless high-speed Internet access in the lobby and meeting rooms
- 24-hour WestinWORKOUT® Fitness Studio
- WestinWORKOUT® Gear Lending Program (\$5 USD fee)
- RunWestin® local running maps
- Drycleaning service
- Business Center
- One of the premier restaurants in Buckhead is the Westin’s famed **The Palm Restaurant**, dubbed “The Classic American Steak House.” Hotel guests can dine at The Palm for breakfast, lunch and dinner, taking advantage of their full service and à la carte menus. Known for prime cuts of beef, jumbo lobsters, succulent seafood and authentic Italian cuisine, portions at The Palm are generous and spirits are high any day of the week.



The AAIM 126<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting room rate for a Traditional Room is **\$219 USD per room, per night (single or double occupancy)**, including complimentary in room basic wireless Internet. Rates are subject to federal, state, municipal and occupancy taxes.

Check-in time is 3:00 pm. Attendees may be able to check in earlier, depending on occupancy levels and availability of “ready” rooms. Check-out time is 12:00 pm.

A credit card is required to guarantee your reservation. Cancellations must be received 48 hours prior to arrival in order to avoid a charge of one night’s room and tax. Guests will be responsible for their own guestroom, tax and incidental charges upon checkout. An Early Departure Fee of \$50 USD will be charged if a guest checks out prior to the confirmed departure date.

To book your accommodation online, go to [www.aaimedicine.org](http://www.aaimedicine.org) and follow the link under “Meetings and Conferences”. To book by phone, call **1-404-365-0065** and ask for the Reservations Department – be sure to indicate that you would like the AAIM Annual Meeting group rate.

**The AAIM group rate is available until September 22, 2017 or until our group block is sold out, whichever comes first. Reservations at the AAIM group rate MAY be available after that date, depending on availability.**

## **MEETING ACCREDITATION**

### **Accreditation Statement**

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of Amedco and The American Academy of Insurance Medicine (AAIM). Amedco is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

### **Credit Designation Statement**

Amedco designates this live activity for a maximum of **17.0 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™**. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

**For more information about the AAIM 126<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting,  
contact the AAIM Executive Secretary:**

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SUNDAY, October 15

08:00 – 17:00

## Course Instructors:

- Tom Ashley, MD, FACP, DBIM
- Brad Heltemes, MD, DBIM
- Martin Engman, MD, DBIM
- Steve Rigatti, MD, DBIM

## Target Audience

This course is designed for physicians, AAIM members, nurses, underwriters, and other insurance professionals with the requisite medical knowledge; however, priority will be given to medical directors.

## Needs Assessment

The methodologies commonly used for mortality analysis are complicated, and medical directors, as well as other healthcare personnel, often report these methodologies as being among their perceived practice gaps, a hindrance in their efforts to perform their duties. In this one-day activity, participants will be guided through the intricacies of these methodologies and related tasks.

## Learning Objectives

Students will gain an improved understanding of:

- population life tables
- mortality curves and life expectancy calculations
- select and ultimate mortality rates
- common patterns for diseases and other health-related conditions and rating approaches
- sensitivity, specificity and predictive values
- mortality methodology calculations
- value and limitations of examinations, laboratory testing and other diagnostic methods
- the use of spreadsheets to perform repetitive calculations
- the interpretation of Cox survival models presented in the literature
- the use of computer spreadsheet programs to speed and automate the necessary calculations
- optimal use of Internet resources to obtain relevant literature and data

**Please note:** The course contains approximately 4 hours of online video lectures which registrants will receive as a link with a password upon registration. Also, completion of this course will require use of computer spreadsheets, specifically Microsoft Excel. Introductory materials and references to other foundational resources will be provided.

## Physicians

Amedco designates this live activity for a maximum of **8 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)<sup>TM</sup>**. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

## Registration

This course is limited to the first twenty (20) registrants with payment received. The closing date for registration for this activity is **September 1, 2017**. Following receipt of the completed registration form and fee, course materials will be sent to each participant.

## Homework Assignment

Most of the education is self-learning in a structured assignment that typically takes 10 – 20 hours of student work, more if you are very unfamiliar with Excel. Preceptors are assigned and are available for email assistance. The homework assignment is to be completed and sent to the instructor at least **three weeks prior to the course date. It must be received by September 24, 2017**. The homework assignment is mandatory and makes up a significant component of the student's final grade. The assignment will be sent with the syllabus following registration confirmation.

**Questions specific to Basic Mortality Methodology Course content can be directed to:**

Dr. Steve Rigatti at srigatti@massmutual.com; (413) 744-8539.

## OVERVIEW OF SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

\*Daily schedule as of **May 10, 2017**. Times, topics and speakers are subject to change.

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

- 15:00 – 17:00 **Panel: Everything you have wanted to know about Insurance Medicine, but never had the chance to ask**  
**Michael Moore, MD, FACP, MBA**  
VP, Chief Medical and UW Director, Nationwide Financial, Columbus, Ohio  
**Gina Guzman, MD, DABIM, FLMI, FALU**  
VP, Chief Medical Director, Munich Re, Chicago, Illinois  
**John Kirkpatrick, MD, DBIM**  
VP, Chief Medical Director, Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, Appleton, Wisconsin

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 16

- 07:40 – 08:00 **Greetings / Business**  
**Michael Moore, MD, FACP, MBA**  
VP, Chief Medical and UW Director, Nationwide Financial, Columbus, Ohio  
AAIM President 2016-2017
- 08:00 – 09:00 **Platform: Mortality Trends in the United States: Past, Present and Future**  
**Elizabeth Arias, PhD**  
Director, US Life Table Program; Lead, Statistical Analysis and Research Team, Mortality Statistics Branch, Division of Vital Statistics, National Center for Health Statistics, Centres for Disease Control, Hyattsville, Maryland
- 09:10 – 10:25 **Concurrent: Under the Dementia Umbrella: Differential Diagnosis, Risk Stratification, and Opportunities**  
**Anitha Rao, MD**  
CEO and Co-Founder, Neurocern, Palo Alto, California
- 09:10 – 10:25 **Concurrent: Disability Claims: Taking a Look at Common Spine Impairments from an Insurance Medicine and Clinician's Point of View**  
**John LoCascio, MD, DBIM, FACP, FAADEP**  
VP and Chief Medical Officer, United Health Care Financial Protection, Portland, Maine  
**Shane Mangrum, MD**  
Physiatrist, Polaris Spine and Neurosurgery Center, Atlanta, Georgia
- 09:10 – 10:25 **Concurrent: Morbidity and Mortality of Infant Prematurity**  
**Ira Adams-Chapman, MD, MPH**  
Assistant Professor Pediatrics, Emory University School of Medicine;  
Neonatologist, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, Atlanta, Georgia
- 10:25 – 10:45 **Refreshment Break**
- 10:45 – 12:00 **Concurrent: Under the Dementia Umbrella: Differential Diagnosis, Risk Stratification, and Opportunities (repeat)**  
**Anitha Rao, MD**  
CEO and Co-Founder, Neurocern, Palo Alto, California
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**John LoCascio, MD, ABIM, FACP, FAADEP**  
VP and Chief Medical Officer, United Health Care Financial Protection, Portland, Maine  
**Shane Mangrum, MD**  
Physiatrist, Polaris Spine and Neurosurgery Center, Atlanta, Georgia
- 10:45 – 12:00 **Concurrent: Morbidity and Mortality of Infant Prematurity (repeat)**  
**Ira Adams-Chapman, MD, MPH**  
Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Director, Developmental Progress Clinic, Emory University School of Medicine and Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, Atlanta, Georgia



**MONDAY, OCTOBER 16 - Continued**

12:00 – 13:00 **Lunch – Birds of a Feather**

13:00 – 14:00 **Platform: Decoding the Risk: Exploring the DNA of Genetic Testing Results for Risk Assessment in Insurance**

**Jaime Enrique Vengoechea Barrios, MD**

Assistant Professor, Departments of Human Genetics and Medicine  
Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia

14:10 – 15:25 **Concurrent: Long Term Care Products: Where Are We Now?**

**Bruce Margolis, DO, MBA, CHIE**

AVP, Medical Director, Pacific Life, Lynchburg, Virginia

14:10 – 15:25 **Concurrent: Laboratory Test Results that Are the Bane of Our Existence! An Evidence-based Approach**

**Michael Fulks, MD, DBIM**

Medical Consultant, Jackson, California

14:10 – 15:25 **Concurrent: Underwriting Those from Other Parts of the World**

**Urs Widmer, MD, DBIM**

Senior Medical Officer, Swiss Re, Life Products Europe, Zurich, Switzerland

15:25 – 15:45 **Refreshment Break**

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**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17**

- 07:55 – 08:00 **Greetings / Business**  
**Tim Steffen, MD, DBIM**  
VP and Medical Director, Ameritas, Cincinnati, Ohio
- 08:00 – 09:00 **Platform: Top Stories in Medicine in the Last Century: Predictions about the Next 50 Years**  
**Sanjiv Chopra, MD**  
Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School;  
Editor-in-Chief, Hepatology Section, *UpToDate*; Author  
Cambridge, Massachusetts
- 09:10 – 10:25 **Concurrent: Interesting Claims: Detecting Fraud, Adjudicating Contestable Claims and Red Flags**  
**Kevin Glasgow, MD**  
Second VP – Claims, Munich American Reassurance Company, Atlanta, Georgia
- Concurrent: The Rise and Fall of Liver Biopsy**  
**Sanjiv Chopra, MD**  
Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School;  
Editor-in-Chief, Hepatology Section, *UpToDate*; Author  
Cambridge, Massachusetts
- Elyssa Del Valle, MD**  
VP and Medical Director, RGA, Chesterfield, Missouri
- 10:25 – 10:45 **Refreshment Break**
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- Elyssa Del Valle, MD**  
VP and Medical Director, RGA, Chesterfield, Missouri
- 12:00 – 13:15 **Business Meeting / Lunch**
- 13:15 – 14:15 **Platform: It's Not Always Tacky to Talk Syncope**  
**Faisal Merchant, MD**  
Assistant Professor of Medicine, Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia
- 14:25 – 15:40 **Concurrent: Evaluating Risk in Rare and Understudied Medical Conditions**  
**Cliff Titcomb, MD**  
VP and Chief Medical Director, Hannover Life Reassurance Company of America Denver, Colorado
- 14:25 – 15:40 **Concurrent: Interactive EKG Workshop**  
**Rosalie Mastropolo, MD**  
Senior Medical Director, MassMutual, Springfield, Massachusetts
- Faisal Merchant, MD**  
Assistant Professor of Medicine, Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17 - Continued**

- 14:25 – 15:40 **Concurrent Panel: How to Submit a JIM Article**  
**Steve Rigatti, MD, DBIM, DABFM**  
VP and Chief Medical Officer, MassMutual, Springfield, Massachusetts  
**Ross Mackenzie, MD**  
Editor, *Journal of Insurance Medicine*; Ross Mackenzie Consulting, Oakville, Ontario  
**Martin Engman, MD, DBIM**  
VP and Chief Medical Director, Legal & General America, Fort Wayne, Indiana
- 15:40 – 15:55 **Refreshment Break**
- 15:55 – 17:10 **Concurrent: Evaluating Risk in Rare and Understudied Medical Conditions (repeat)**  
**Cliff Titcomb, MD**  
VP and Chief Medical Director, Hannover Life Reassurance Company of America, Denver, Colorado
- 15:55 – 17:10 **Concurrent: Interaction EKG Workshop (repeat)**  
**Rosalie Mastropolo, MD**  
Senior Medical Director, MassMutual, Springfield, Massachusetts  
**Faisal Merchant, MD**  
Assistant Professor Medicine, Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia
- 15:55 – 17:10 **Concurrent: Speakers' Corner**  
**Marianne Cumming, MSc, MD, FALU, DBIM**  
VP and Medical Director, Swiss Re, Fort Wayne, Indiana

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18**

- 07:55 – 08:00 **Greetings / Business**  
**John White III, MD, MBA**  
SVP and Chief Medical Director,  
American National Insurance Company, Galveston, Texas
- 08:00 – 09:00 **Platform: Morbidity and Mortality of Transgender Therapies**  
**Vin Tangpricha, MD, PhD, FACE**  
Endocrinology Fellowship Program Director & Associate Professor of Medicine,  
Division of Endocrinology, Metabolism & Lipids, Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia
- 09:00 – 10:00 **Platform: Prostate Cancer: To Treat or not to Treat, That Is the Question**  
**Michael Marcus, MD**  
Assistant Professor of Urology, St. Louis University;  
Urologist, Metropolitan Urologist Specialists, St. Louis, Missouri
- 10:00 – 10:15 **Refreshment Break**
- 10:15 – 11:15 **Platform Panel: Conference Round-up**  
**Marianne Cumming, MSc, MD, FALU, DBIM**  
VP and Medical Director, Swiss Re, Fort Wayne, Indiana  
**Michael Moore, MD**  
VP, Chief Medical and UW Director Nationwide Financial, Columbus, Ohio  
**Tim Steffen, MD, DBIM**  
VP and Medical Director, Ameritas, Cincinnati, Ohio  
**John White III, MD, MBA**  
SVP and Chief Medical Director,  
American National Insurance Company, Galveston, Texas

## THANK YOU

The 2017 AAIM Scientific Program Committee members are a collection of hard-working and talented individuals dedicated to organizing a relevant, an informative, and an interesting conference. These committee members have invested so much time and effort into shaping this conference, and for this I am extremely grateful. The passion they have for advancing the knowledge of their colleagues, which I had the great opportunity to witness firsthand, will be evident throughout this wonderful conference. So, when you see these committee members, please join me in offering my greatest thanks for all they have done.

Tim Steffen, MD  
VP & Medical Director  
Ameritas, Cincinnati, OH  
Chair, AAIM 126<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting Scientific Program Committee

Marianne Cumming	VP and Medical Director Swiss Re	Fort Wayne, IN
Elyssa Del Valle	VP and Medical Director RGA	Chesterfield, MO
Dan George	AVP and Medical Director MassMutual	Springfield, MA
Michael Moore	VP, Chief Medical & UW Director Nationwide Financial	Columbus, OH
Steve Rigatti	VP and Chief Medical Officer MassMutual	Springfield, MA
Regina Rosace	AVP and Medical Director SCOR	Kansas City, MO
Mark Skillan	Consultant	Atlanta, GA
Susan Stegman	Medical Director AXA Equitable Life	Farmington, CT
Dave Williams	VP and Medical Director L & G America	Frederick, MD

**SUNDAY, October 15****ATLANTA HIGHLIGHTS CITY TOUR****13:00 – 17:00**

The tour begins with a brief stop to see the outside of the birth home of Martin Luther King Jr., followed by a tour of highlights of the city of Atlanta. Participants will choose to visit one of the following additional destinations when they register:

- Georgia Aquarium
- World of Coca-Cola
- College Football Hall of Fame
- Center for Civil and Human Rights

Maximum: 55 people  
 Recommended Attire: Casual clothing, comfortable footwear  
 Price: \$65 USD (includes return transportation, guide)

**MONDAY, October 16****AMERICASMART ATLANTA****09:30 – 16:00**

AmericasMart Atlanta, with more than seven million square feet of shopping, is not open to the public and is America's No. 1 wholesale marketplace. Here is your chance to shop where the retailers shop – for gifts, home décor, area rugs and apparel from around the world. If you can't find it here, it has never been made!

Maximum: 26 people  
 Recommended Attire: Casual clothing, comfortable footwear  
 Price: \$30 USD (includes return transportation and entrance to AmericasMart)

**TUESDAY, October 17****ATLANTA BOTANICAL GARDEN TOUR AND LUNCH****09:30 – 13:45**

The Atlanta Botanical Garden is a 30-acre property located adjacent to Piedmont Park in central Atlanta. You will have a guided two-hour tour of some of the Garden's highlights. Guests will enjoy spectacular landscapes, manicured gardens, colorful flowers and beautiful statues.

Following the tour, you will have lunch at Mary Mac's Tea Room, which opened in 1945 and was honored in 2011 by being named by Georgia's House of Representatives as "Atlanta's Dining Room". The restaurant is renowned for its Southern cuisine and Southern hospitality.

Maximum: 20 people  
 Recommended Attire: Casual clothing, comfortable footwear  
 Price: \$90 USD (includes return transportation, tour and lunch)

Social activity descriptions are valid as of May 10, 2017 and are subject to change. All social activities are subject to a minimum number of participants and may need to be changed or cancelled. In the event of cancellation, participants will be notified in writing and a full refund will be issued.

## EVENING PROGRAM

\* The Sunday Welcome Reception and the Tuesday Farewell Dinner are included as part of the registration fee for Members, Non-Members, Emeritus, Underwriters and registered Spouses/Guests. Additional tickets may be purchased. Please see the registration form for details.

### SUNDAY, October 15

#### WELCOME RECEPTION

**The Palm Restaurant, Westin Buckland Atlanta**  
**18:00 – 20:00**  
**(New members please join us at 17:30)**

Our meeting begins with an evening of socializing with AAIM colleagues in the The Westin's Palm Restaurant. The restaurant features a striking hand-painted featurewall that overlooks the dining room and highlights Atlanta's landmarks. The walls of the restaurant are covered with artist Zack Bird's classic cartoons and caricatures of celebrities, socialites and local VIPs who make up its impressive customer base.



### TUESDAY, October 17

#### FAREWELL DINNER

**Atlanta History Center**  
**18:30 – 22:00**

Just a short bus ride from the hotel, the Atlanta History Center is a marvelous venue for our final evening. Begin with a walk through Swan House. This 1928 home was owned by Edward Inman, the heir to a large cotton brokerage fortune amassed in the post-Civil War “New South” era. The home, designed by Philip Trammell Shutze, features Italian and English classical styles and is considered his finest architectural work. The evening will include a reception amongst some of the exhibits, including “Fair Play: The Bobby Jones Story” and “Turning Point: The American Civil War and Folk Arts in a Changing South”. A buffet dinner will take place in the Center’s Grand Overlook Ballroom. This spectacular venue features a barrel-vaulted ceiling, Brazilian cherry wood floors and floor to ceiling windows overlooking the illuminated wooded Quarry Garden.



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