

AMRPA Educational Conference & Expo | Sunday, October 26, 2025 - Wednesday, October 29, 2025 | Loews Philadelphia Hotel, Philadelphia, PA

Sunday, October 26, 2025		
11:00 AM - 4:30 PM	IRF Boot Camp	
11:00 AM - 4:30 PM	eRehabData Expert Analytics and Operations Symposium	
12:30 - 1:00 PM	Networking Lunch for IRF Boot Camp & eRehabData Expert Analytics and Operations Symposium	
2:30 - 2:45 PM	Afternoon Networking Break for IRF Boot Camp & eRehabData Expert Analytics and Operations Symposium	
5:00 - 5:15 PM	Transportation from Loews Philadelphia Hotel to Jefferson Moss-Magee Rehabilitation Hospital – Center City	
5:30 - 6:30 PM	Conference Reception at Jefferson Moss-Magee Rehabilitation Hospital – Center City	
6:45 – 7:00 PM	Transportation from Jefferson Moss-Magee Rehabilitation Hospital – Center City to Loews Philadelphia Hotel	
7:00 – 9:00 PM	AMRPA Board of Directors Dinner (Offsite)	

Monday, October 27, 2025	
7:00 AM	Registration Opens
7:00 – 11:00 AM	Exhibitor Move In
7:30 – 8:00 AM	AMRPA Board of Directors Breakfast
8:00 - 11:00 AM	AMRPA Board of Directors Meeting
7:30 – 10:30 AM	Breakfast & Morning Break Sponsored by Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Hospital
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Vendor Room Available
11:00 AM	Exhibit Hall Opens
11:30 AM – 12:15 PM	Networking Lunch - Group 1
11:30 AM – 12:15 PM	Networking Lunch - Group 2
11:30 AM – 12:15 PM	Fund for Access to Inpatient Rehabilitation (FAIR Fund) Membership Meeting
12:30 – 12:45 PM	Conference Welcome Chris Lee, MSPT, FACHE, Vice President and Chief Operations Officer, Madonna Rehabilitation Hospitals; Chair, AMRPA Board of Directors
12:45 – 1:30 PM	Medical Rehabilitation Patient Perspective Presented by Jefferson Moss-Magee Rehabilitation Hospital and CARF International Moderator: Terrence Carolan, MSPT, MBA, Managing Director of Medical Rehabilitation and Aging Services, CARF International Amanda Parezo, OTD, MS, OTR/L, Assistant Professor and Academic Fieldwork Coordinator, Thomas Jefferson University Michelle Konkoly, MD, PGY5 Pediatrics/PM&R Resident, Thomas Jefferson University Hospital Stephanie Dunn, MS, CCC-SLP, Speech Pathologist, Jefferson Einstein Healthcare Network
1:30 – 2:00 PM	AI & Medical Documentation James McCabe, MD, SVP, Enterprise Chief Medical Information Officer (CMIO), Jefferson Health
2:00 – 2:45 PM	Forecasting the Future of the Medicare Program Brian Miller, MD, MBA, MPH, Associate Professor of Medicine, Johns Hopkins University; Non-Resident Fellow, American Enterprise Institute (AEI); Commissioner, MedPAC
2:45 – 3:15 PM	Networking Break with Exhibitors
2:45 – 3:15 PM	AMRPA Board of Directors Coffee with Dr. Brian Miller, MedPAC

Concurrent Tracks	Track One	Track Two	Track Three	Track Four	Track Five	Track Six	Track Seven
3:20 – 4:05 PM	Cost Measurement in Inpatient Rehabilitation: Development of a Model to Drive Value Recognition Jason Seltzer and Joel Glasgow, Sheltering Arms Institute	Unlocking the Door to Independence: Navigating the Benefits and Challenges of Home Evaluations in Inpatient Rehabilitation Tyler Huish, Intermountain Health	Developing and Implementing a Structured Early Caregiver Involvement Process to Improve Rehabilitation Outcomes Erin Engleman, Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital	Global Rehabilitation Caregiver Capacity: Why It Matters to the US Bruce Gans, Julia Dutka, and Rich Oliver, Global Partners for Rehabilitation	Demystifying the Regulatory Language Related to Documentation Requirements Lisa Werner, Fleming AOD, and Shannon Tucker, HCA	Use of Artificial Intelligence to Develop an Application for the Assessment and Treatment of Individuals with Parkinson's Disease Michelle Babcock, Adventist HealthCare Rehabilitation	From Burnout to Buy-In: Leveraging Neurologic Therapy Residency Programs for System-Wide Rehabilitation Impact Jacqueline LaBarbera, Emma Pruett, and Katie Sewell, Atrium Health (Carolinas Rehabilitation)
4:15– 5:00 PM	Changing the Way Therapists Think About Challenging Patients and Missed Treatment Time Kadee Primus and Alexandra Griffin, Atrium Health (Carolinas Rehabilitation)	Reducing Falls: The Power of Multidisciplinary Teams Aubrey Martinez and Chantel Kinlocke, HCA	Enhancing Patient Outcomes by Addressing Food Insecurity: The Impact of the Apple a Day Program on Self-Identification and Readmission Rates Caroline Geiger and Patricia Tolliver, Mesquite Rehabilitation Institute	Sheltering Arms Institute's Margin of Excellence Alan Lombardo, John McElroy, and Kelly Merricks, Sheltering Arms Institute	IRF Quality Reporting Program (QRP) and Policy Update Mary Ellen DeBardeleben and Elisabeth Plush, Encompass Health Corporation	Digital Health and Technology use in Rehabilitation for Aging Population Mooyeon Oh-Park, Burke Rehabilitation Hospital, Sujin Lee, Sujin Lee MD Coaching, and Susan Maltser, Northwell Health	A Collaborative Effort: Building Safe Mobility Competency for Multiple Disciplines in the Inpatient Rehab Setting Brooke Marconi, Catherine Thresher, and Nicole Forest, Hartford Healthcare
5:10 – 5:55 PM	Inpatient Rehabilitation Trends Sam Fleming, Fleming AOD	Changing the Discharge Trajectory: How Behavior Rounds Improve Community Outcomes in Inpatient Rehab Amanda Stumbo and Hannah Gresham, Ochsner Rehabilitation Hospital	Who's Down with QRP? Leading Through Change in Functional Outcomes Improvement Larisa Lahey, Kristine Germain, and Sarah Herron, Northwestern Medicine Marianjoy Rehabilitation Hospital	Bridging the Gap: Collaborative Strategies for Supporting Children with Disorders of Consciousness in their Transition from Hospital to School Emily, DiVirgilio, Amy Colin, Courtney McCarthy, and Kathryn Ritchie, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia	How CMS Guidance Changes Can Pull the Rug Out From Under Your IRF Policies and Procedures Jennifer McWain, Mary Free Bed Rehabilitation Hospital	Clinical Virtual Reality: The Future of Assessment and Rehabilitation of Cognitive and Motor Functioning Albert Rizzo, USC Institute for Creative Technologies, and Nathan Foreman, Rehab Metrics	Supporting Inpatient Rehabilitation Admissions for Medicaid Patients With Planned Subacute Care Discharge Plan Anna Eckholm, Schwab Rehab Hospital and Care Network
6:00 – 7:00 PM	Interactive Poster Presentations						
7:00 – 8:00 PM	Networking Reception with Exhibitors						

Tuesday, October 28, 2025							
8:00 AM	Registration & Exhibit Hall Opens						
8:00 – 8:50 AM	Networking Breakfast & Educational Roundtables - Group 1						
	Legislative & Regulatory - Robert G. Larrison Jr., President, Atrium Health (Carolinas Rehabilitation), Kate Beller, President, AMRPA						
	Business Development - Mooyeon Oh-Park, SVP of Chief Medical Officer, Burke Rehabilitation Hospital; Janet Herbold, SVP of Post Acute Operations, Burke Rehabilitation Hospital						
	Nursing - Julie Hensler-Cullen, Director of Quality & Education, MossRehab						
	Rehabilitation Physicians - Sandeep Singh, CMO SVP of Medical Affairs, Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Hospital, Malav Shah, Faculty Physician, Burke Rehabilitation Hospital						
	Building a Strong Interdisciplinary Team - Chloe Slocum, Director of Health Policy / Associate Chair for Quality, Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital						
	Transitions of Care - Alberto Esquenazi, Chief Clinical Officer, MossRehab; J'nise Ramsey, Clinical Liaison Outpatient Access, Mary Free Bed Main Campus						
	Unit Managers - Michelle Marshina, Program Director, MossRehab						
	Quality - Karl Sandin, Assistant Professor of Surgery, Creighton University School of Medicine						
8:00 – 8:50 AM	Networking Breakfast - Group 2						
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Vendor Room Available						
9:00 – 9:30 AM	State of the Association & AMRPA National Leadership Excellence Award Chris Lee, MSPT, FACHE, Vice President and Chief Operations Officer, Madonna Rehabilitation Hospitals; Chair, AMRPA Board of Directors						
9:30 – 9:45 AM	AMRPA Edward A. Eckenhoff Memorial Award Kathleen Yosko PhD, Former President & CEO of Scwab Rehabilitation Hospital and Marianjoy Rehabilitation Hospital; Former Board Chair, AMRPA Board of Directors (2007-2009)						
9:45 – 10:30 AM	AMRPA Legislative & Regulatory Updates Kate Beller, JD, President, AMRPA Joe Nahra, Director of Government Relations & Regulatory Policy, AMRPA Troy Hillman, Director of Quality and Health Policy, AMRPA						
10:30 – 11:00 AM	Networking Break with Exhibitors						
11:00 – 11:45 AM	Unpacking the Trump Administration’s Impact on Medical Research, Academia & Hospital Payment Programs Moderator: Kate Beller, JD, President, AMRPA Matt Gibson, PhD, FACHE, President & CEO, Siskin Hospital for Physical Rehabilitation Ashlie White, MSHLS, MA, Policy Advisor for the Amputee Coalition and Senior Director of External Affairs for the American Orthotic and Prosthetic Association (AOPA). Douglas McGee, DO, FACEP, Enterprise Lead, Graduate Medical Education, Jefferson Health						
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Networking Lunch - Group 1						
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1:15 – 2:00 PM	Improving Team Member Satisfaction in Complex Care Settings: Perspectives From a Brain Injury Rehabilitation Unit Kate Bernard, Arielle Fallon, Deanna Dutcher, and Kristin Harris, JFK-Johnson Rehabilitation Institute	Rehab in Fast Forward: Leveraging Family Training to Meet the New Realities of Patient Care Samantha Kauffman, Lehigh Valley Health Network	Implementing a Peer Based Emotional First Aid Support Program for a Rehabilitation Workforce Jacob Williams, TIRR Memorial Hermann	Implementation of a Comprehensive Pediatric Cardiac Rehabilitation Program in the Acute Care Setting Abigail Case, Amanda Waples, Jackie Mecca, and Rebecca Hoffritz, Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia	Bridging the Gap: Optimizing Payer Relationships for Improving Access & Outcomes Kara Simpson, Ernest Health, Inc.	An Innovative Approach to IRF Admission Preauthorization with Insurance Companies Alberto Esquenazi and Thomas Smith, MossRehab	Beyond Traditional Peer Support: Implementing a Unique Peer Health Coaching Model for SCI Kimberly Kolstad, University of Utah Health: Craig H. Neilsen Rehabilitation Hospital
2:10 – 2:55 PM	Employment and Care Models for Today’s Therapists Marcia Moore, MossRehab	Building Bridges Across the Continuum J'nise Ramsey and Veronica Pabich, Mary Free Bed Main Campus	The Coming of Age of Disorders of Consciousness Programs: How Recent Research, Guidance and New Program Standards Will Shape the Future of Pediatric and Adult Rehabilitation Terrence Carolan, CARF International, Beth Slomine, Kennedy Krieger Institute, Kate Bernard, JFK-Johnson Rehabilitation Institute, Michael Choo, Paradigm, and Rhonda Abbott, TIRR Memorial Hermann	A Phased Approach to Caregiver Education and Training in a Pediatric Inpatient Rehabilitation Disorders of Consciousness Program Sarah Jones, Emily Diliberto, Emily DiVirgilio, Jackie Conklin, and James King, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia	The Latest in IRF Denials - The Documentation that may be Putting your Organization at Risk for Denials Jane Snecinski, Post Acute Advisors	Developing Innovative Approaches to Disorders of Consciousness: Integrating Clinical Care and Cutting-Edge Research Emily Rosario, Casa Colina Hospital & Centers for Healthcare	The Importance of Interdisciplinary Collaboration in a World of Highly Specialized HealthCare: The Story of a Complex Pediatric Burn Patient Sharon Manifold-Herring and Lisa LePage, Lehigh Valley Health Network
2:55 – 3:15 PM	Networking Break with Exhibitors						
3:20 – 4:05 PM	Optimizing Length of Stay in Inpatient Spinal Cord Injury Rehabilitation: Balancing Efficiency, Outcomes, and Community Discharge Lynn Oravitz, UPMC Rehab Hospital	Working Together: Strengthening Collaborations with a Referring Hospital as a Freestanding Rehab Sharon Bushi and Janet Herbold, Burke Rehabilitation Hospital	Can we Sustain Meaningful Outcomes with Individualized Care after Spinal Cord Injury ? Amy Bratta, Erin Freimuth, and Sarah Myer, Magee Rehabilitation Hospital	Identifying Knowledge Deficits with Caregivers When Transitioning from the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit to the Acute Care Rehabilitation Unit Laikin Ulrich and Shannon Wyatt, Arkansas Children's	Reading the Regs: Applying Medicare Regulations to Operationalize Improved Access to IRF Care for MA Patients Renee Alsop and Barbara Clifton, Atrium Health (Carolinas Rehabilitation)	CMS TEAM: A True Team Sport Barbara Mohr, EnduraCare Acute Care	Enhancing Nursing Knowledge and Involvement in Post-Acute Rehabilitation and PM&R Consultations Melissa Emeott and Holly Banninga, Mary Free Bed Main Campus
4:15 - 5:00 PM	Optimizing IRF Physician Documentation to Accurately Capture Patient Complexity and Enhance Medicare Reimbursement	Interdisciplinary Team Approach for Diabetic Management in Acute Rehabilitation	Leveraging Predictive Analytics to Optimize Discharge Planning and Transition to Community Care	Treatment of Leukemia Through the Lifespan: An Occupational Therapy Approach to Pediatric CIPN Monitoring and Management	Differences Between Medicare Advantage and Traditional Medicare Patients Discharged to Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities	A Hospital Designed for the Patient and the Future: Creating an Accessibility-First, Patient-First Rehab Hospital	Mobility Champions: Focusing on Fall Prevention, Pressure Injury Prevention, and Safe Patient Handling

