



Concurrent Sessions
Saturday, November 4
11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Room: Far East

Jonathan Baker, MPAS, PA-C

Sexually Transmitted Infections Update and Interesting Cases

Rates of sexually transmitted infections (STIs) in the US continue to increase. In 2015 over 2 million bacterial STIs were reported in the US including a total of 395,216 cases of gonorrhea and 1,526,658 cases of chlamydia. While most providers are easily able to recognize typical symptoms of STIs such as urethral discharge, asymptomatic and atypical presentations many often go undiagnosed with potential for long term complications. Uncommon STIs have limitations in diagnosis and are often based on clinical suspicion rather than reliance on diagnostic testing. Providers may not be up-to-date and current on CDC recommendations for screening and treatment in the face of emerging antibiotic resistance.

Room: Parisian

Kristine Erlandson, MD, MS

Optimizing Care of the Older Adult with HIV

Older adults with HIV experience an increasing burden of comorbidities, concomitant medications and aging syndromes, including frailty, disability and falls. This session will review the diagnosis, prioritization and optimal management of these burdens in the older HIV-infected adult.

Room: Oak

Tami Haught

HIV Criminalization and PLHIV Networks

HIV Criminalization is the most extreme manifestation of HIV stigma. In this session participants will learn how successful efforts to reform HIV criminalization statutes have been led by People Living with HIV (PLHIV) and how PLHIV networks improve health outcomes, combat stigma and can have a powerful advocacy voice. Discussions will include how nurses and other healthcare providers can contribute to HIV Criminalization reform efforts and other collaborations to reduce HIV related stigma.

Presented by the SERO Project, a global network of people with HIV and allies fighting for freedom from stigma and injustice.

Room: Gold

Karla Thornton, MD, MPH

Hepatitis C Treatment Update 2017

Treatment for chronic viral hepatitis C continues to evolve. This session will provide an update on the latest guidelines for the diagnosis, treatment, management and follow-up of patients diagnosed with chronic viral hepatitis C. Discussion of considerations for persons co-infected with HIV will also be highlighted. Dr. Karla Thornton is an infectious disease specialist and Associate Director of the ECHO Institute in New Mexico. Her interests have focused on HIV and the hepatitis C virus (HCV).