

Pediatric Fall Respiratory Refresher Course

Speaker and Panelist Bios

(Listed Alphabetically)

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Derk Mueller, MD

Sacred Heart Children's Hospital, Spokane, WA

Dr. Derk Mueller, MD is a pediatric intensivist with the Pediatrix Critical Care of the Inland Northwest at Sacred Heart Children's Hospital in Spokane, WA and has been practicing for 14 years. He received his MD from University of Kentucky in 2004 and specializes in pediatric critical care medicine.

Elyse K. Bevers, MPH

Washington State, Department of Health, Olympia, WA

Elyse received her MPH from Columbia University and currently serves as the Program Manager for Outbreak Response in Non-Healthcare Settings for the Department of Health, Washington state. She oversees state RSV surveillance and epidemiology. Previous experience includes epidemiology work at the state level with Legionellosis, Influenza and Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention.

Janell Robison, BSRC, RRT

MultiCare Mary Bridge Children's Hospital, Tacoma, WA

Janell has served several years in leadership of the RT department, Mary Bridge Children's Hospital. She works with Solutions for Patient Safety on UAE, HACS and HAPI prevention. Skilled in Programme Governance, Mechanical Ventilation, Level 4 NICU, Core Team member of Level 1 ER trauma, Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS). Strong healthcare services professional with a Bachelor's in Respiratory Care from Boise State University in 2020 and completion of an Associate's Degree focused in Respiratory Care Therapy/Therapist from Victor Valley College.

Jeaux Rinedahl, RN, PhD.

Washington State, Department of Health, Olympia, WA

Dr. Rinedahl serves as the Clinical Quality Assurance, School and Childcare Section Manager at the Office of Immunization, Washington state, Department of Health where he oversees the Immunization Quality Improvement for Providers (IQIP) for child and adult vaccine programs as well as the clinical components of immunization administration, vaccine storage, and forecasting. He also manages immunization contracts, grants and cooperative agreements for DOH.

Jennifer Taylor, MD

Skagit Regional Health, Skagit, WA

Jennifer Taylor, MD is a Pediatric Hospitalist, the Level 2 SCN Director, and the Co-Medical Director of Pediatric Hospitalist Program at Skagit Regional Health. She received her MD from the University of Washington School of Medicine and has been practicing in Skagit County for 27 years.

Julia C. Bennett, MSPH, PhD.

Washington State, Department of Health, Olympia, WA

Dr. Bennett currently serves as the CDC Epidemic Intelligence Service (EIS) Officer, assigned to WA DOH. She received her Master of Science in Public Health at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, with a focus on Global Disease Epidemiology and Control and has a certificate in Vaccine Science and Policy. She has numerous publications in peer reviewed journals and awarded the Social Science Research Network (SSRN) Global Health eJournal Top Ten Download List for Preprints with The Lancet, 2024

Maria Ignacio, BSN RN CCRN

Swedish Medical Center, Seattle, WA

Maria serves in the Pediatric Flex Pool Nurse, and Unit Education Champion, Swedish Medical Center. In her almost 20-year tenure with the Peds Flex Team, Maria has provided care for neonates to 18 years and beyond. She is a resource nurse for the Neonatal and Pediatric ICUs, a member of the Pediatric Critical Care Transport, Neonatal Code Blue, Pediatric Code Blue, and Rapid Response Teams. In recent years, she has enjoyed being part of the unit-based clinical education group for Pediatrics. A graduate of George Mason University in Virginia, Maria trained at Children's National Medical Center in Washington, DC and worked at numerous children's hospitals around the country before finding her home at Swedish.

Mary King, MD, MPH

University of Washington, Seattle Children's and Harborview Medical Center, Seattle, WA

Mary A. King, MD, MPH is Medical Director of the Pediatric Trauma Intensive Care Unit at Harborview Medical Center and attending physician at both Harborview and Seattle Children's Hospital. She completed her residency and fellowship training at Seattle Children's and her MPH in Epidemiology at the University of Washington in Seattle. King has worked to create a new primary pediatric intensivist service at Harborview that serves as a multi-disciplinary ICU service for children with traumatic disease. She is focused on improving the intersection between pediatric critical care and community with special interest in improving pediatric trauma systems and outcomes. She serves as the Washington State representative for WRAP-EM (West Regional Alliance for Pediatric Emergency Management), a multi-state regional collaboration to improve pediatric disaster preparedness and response

Russell Migita, MD

University of Washington, Seattle Children's Hospital, Seattle, WA

Russell T. Migita, MD, is an attending physician and Assistant Clinical Director of Emergency Services at Seattle Children's Hospital. He is a Professor in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Washington School of Medicine. He has 20 years experience leading quality improvement and safety initiatives at Seattle Children's Hospital. He teaches quality improvement and safety at the UW Medicine Center for Scholarship in Patient Care Quality and Safety. His research interests include disparity reduction, clinical standardization, patient safety, quality improvement, and the application of lean manufacturing principles to improve health care.

Sean Lawler, MD

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Dr. Lawler is Medical Director of the Pediatric Hospitalist program at Swedish Medical Center. He graduated from Brown University Alpert Medical School in 1994 and completed his pediatric residency at Children's National Medical Center in Washington DC in 1997. He is board certified in Pediatrics and in Pediatric Hospital Medicine and has been practicing at Swedish Medical Center since 1999.

Stephen Reeves, MD, PhD

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Attending Physician and Assistant Professor, Division for Pulmonary and Sleep Medicine, University of Washington, School of Medicine, Department of Pediatrics and Principal Investigator at the Center for Respiratory Biology and Therapeutics, at Seattle Children's, Seattle WA. Dr. Reeves is active in both clinical responsibilities, including outreach Pulmonary clinics in medically underserved communities in central Washington. He has published multiple articles in peer-reviewed journals and is PI and Co-PI in several on-going research projects including Heavy Chain Hyaluronan and TSG-6 as Modulators of Lung Inflammation in Respiratory Syncytial Virus Infection.

Tami Best-Brandt, RN, MSN

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Nurse Manager Pediatric ICU, Pediatric and Neonatal Transport Teams, & ECMO for MultiCare Mary Bridge Children's Hospital. Pediatric nurse for over 20 years. Experience in emergency medicine, critical care, and ground transport. Her passion lies in caring for children, and she is dedicated to providing compassionate and skilled care to the young people in our community. Advocates eagerness to learn something new each day and continue to expand your knowledge to improve your practice.

Vicki Sakata, MD

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Double boarded and double residency trained in general Emergency Medicine and general Pediatrics, with subspecialty board certification in Pediatric Emergency Medicine; Clinical Professor, Pediatrics, University of Washington, Seattle; Senior Medical Advisor, Northwest Healthcare Response Network, healthcare coalition for majority of Washington state, responsible for clinical input in preparedness, response and recovery, including the development of clinical coalition surge plans, scarce resource management and state level crisis standards of care; WA-1 DMAT Chief Medical Officer with numerous deployments; international medical experience in multiple countries; local and national speaker at disaster preparedness and response workshops and conferences with publications and poster presentations on disaster related topics; National Academy of Medicine report reviewer; MD, University of Colorado.