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## OREGON SPRING SEMINAR

MAY 19<sup>TH</sup>- 20<sup>TH</sup> 2017

**LOCATION** Make your reservations for up to 3 days before and after the Seminar Dates by calling the Hallmark Inn at Newport at [541-265-2600](tel:541-265-2600) and mention the “Oregon Spring Seminar” for a special conference rate.  
Reservations need to be made by April 19<sup>th</sup> to guarantee availability.  
Rates are \$109-\$134 depending on room style.

**REGISTRATION** Register online at: [www.ascls-oregon.org](http://www.ascls-oregon.org)  
Or fill in the registration form at the bottom of this sheet and send to:  
Brenda Kochis at: 44 West 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Spokane, WA 99203

All Sessions are worth 1.5 CE

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FRIDAY SESSIONS

**FRIDAY MAY 19<sup>TH</sup> 1:30-3:00**

**Competency Assessment - Supporting Excellence in Service to our Patients**

Laura Lee Feiner, Clinical Laboratory Educator,  
PeaceHealth Laboratories

*Does competency assessment require too many resources? Has a recent inspection summary recommended or required improvement in training and competency assessment? In this session, we will review and build on your knowledge and understanding of lab competency requirements. We will cover plans and methods to improve standardization, compliance and reporting, while identifying efficiencies in record keeping.*

Level: Intermediate



FRIDAY SESSIONS

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**FRIDAY MAY 19<sup>TH</sup> 1:30-3:00**

**Laboratory Response to Chemical and Biological Weapons**

Donna Larson, Ed.D., MT(ASCP)DLM

*Chemical and biological weapons can be released anywhere in the world by anyone, not just in military campaigns. Clinical laboratories play a vital role in responding to these incidents. Learn about different types of chemical and biological weapons that may be released and an overview of the CDC's Laboratory Response Network. Not all laboratories have the capability to identify chemical and biological weapons, but all will be involved in specimen collection for identification.*

Level: Intermediate

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**FRIDAY MAY 19<sup>TH</sup> 3:30-5:00**

**Syphilis and HIV Testing: Updates on Testing Algorithms**

Maja Chloupkova, PhD MLS(ASCP)<sup>CM</sup>

Legacy Laboratory Services

*Syphilis and HIV testing have undergone some significant changes recently. Both syphilis and HIV screening tests are now available as fully automated. This feature and recent development of screening methods resulted in changes to syphilis and HIV algorithm testing. In the first half, traditional and reverse algorithm in syphilis testing will be compared. In the second half of the presentation, current algorithms starting with the fourth and fifth generation HIV test will be compared.*

Level: Intermediate

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**FRIDAY MAY 19<sup>TH</sup> 3:30-5:00**

**Lean Thinking: EVERYONE EVERYDAY ENGAGED**

Judy L Chang MLA ASCP MA, MLS Lean Practitioner,

Salem Health Laboratories

*The beginning of a Lean journey starts with the use of the tools. But it cannot end there. Adopting Lean methodology is not just the use of Lean tools in special events but the creation of a sustainable culture of frontline problem solvers and that involves understanding and supporting people. Toyota is one of the only organizations currently that have been able to show a sustainable culture. At the heart of that success for decades are two underlying principles or pillars. "Respect for People" and "Continuous Improvement". While the tools are the hardware of Lean these two principles are the software. This session will look at some of the challenges to growing a sustainable culture as we mature in the use of Lean Principles.*

Level: Intermediate



SATURDAY SESSIONS

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**SATURDAY MAY 20<sup>TH</sup> 8:30-10:00**

**What the Heck is DAT?**

Jeanne M. Scott, MT(ASCP)SBBCM, Supervisor  
IRL American Red Cross, Pacific Northwest Region

*Attendees in this session will review the history and definitions of the antiglobulin test, the structure and properties of IgG, and the performance and primary uses of the antiglobulin test. Via audience interaction, cases studies will help illustrate and cement concepts for the participants.*

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**SATURDAY MAY 20<sup>TH</sup> 8:30-10:00**

**Have a CoW?**

Patricia DeTurk, MST MT(ASCP), Instructor,  
Clinical Laboratory Assistant Program, Clackamas Community College

*The types of tests waived under CLIA has increased from 8 to approximately 100 tests since the inception of the program in 1992. Offices wanting to only perform waived tests must apply for a certificate of waiver (CoW). However, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) visited 2.5 percent (approximately 460) of CoW and PPMP laboratories in 8 selected States. Quality problems were identified in these laboratories which included: 32 percent failed to have current manufacturer's instructions; 32 percent did not perform quality control as required by manufacturer or CDC; 16 percent failed to follow current manufacturer's instructions. This session will cover what tests are included in Waived Testing? What is NOT included in Waived Testing? Are you performing the tests you are allowed to, in the manner you are supposed to?*

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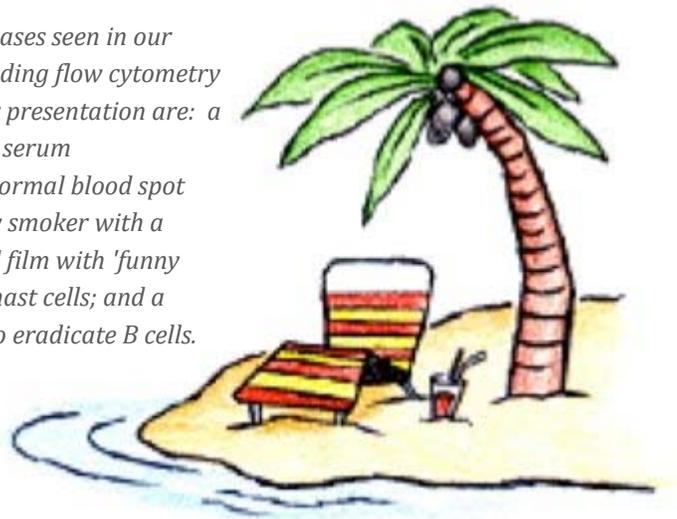
**SATURDAY MAY 20<sup>TH</sup> 10:30-12:00**

**Case studies in Hematology: 2017**

Michael Suter, MT, SH, ICCE, Senior Clinical Scientist,  
PeaceHealth Laboratories

*This session will review recent interesting cases seen in our Hematology laboratory. Related data including flow cytometry will be included when relevant. Planned for presentation are: a patient with a plasma cell disorder but low serum immunoglobulin levels; a baby with an abnormal blood spot test implying immune deficiency; an elderly smoker with a persistent lymphocytosis (not CLL); a blood film with 'funny platelets'; a Bone Marrow with increased mast cells; and a patient being treated with CAR-T therapy to eradicate B cells.*

Level: Intermediate



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**SATURDAY MAY 20<sup>TH</sup> 10:30-12:00**

**Clinical Laboratory Assistants – Your Role in the Laboratory Setting**

Nicole Paresi, PBT(ASCP), Laboratory Technical Assistant,  
Kaiser

*Please join me as we go through the many avenues that are available to clinical laboratory assistants. We will cover phlebotomy, specimen processing, waived testing and research assistants and the importance these roles play in the laboratory setting. Including the skill set needed, professional training, applying for and maintaining national certifications.*

Level: Basic

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**SATURDAY MAY 20<sup>TH</sup> 1:30-3:00**

**Understanding the Opioid Public Health Crisis**

David K. Roberts, PhD, Manager and Scientific Director,  
Legacy Laboratory Services

*An opioid public health crisis continues to claim lives to the point that overdose deaths from opioids is now the number one public health concern in the Pacific NW and in the US. Opioids include both prescription drugs as well as illegal drugs. The opioid crisis impacts not only the public but health care providers. In particular is the collision that occurs when the number one reason for seeking medical care - to treat pain - collides with aberrant drug behaviors related to opioid misuse. With increasing prescriptions paralleling deaths from opioid overdose, virtually all aspects of health care are impacted.*

*Laboratories are uniquely positioned to help in the diagnosis of opioid related disorders. This talk provides background information regarding opioids which when coupled with testing knowledge is designed to position the laboratory to act as a resource for front line health care providers dealing with the opioid crisis.*

Level: Intermediate

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**SATURDAY MAY 20<sup>TH</sup> 1:30-3:00**

**Mycobacterium tuberculosis: Mechanisms used to cause disease and how we can boost the host response to infection**

Shandee Dixon Ph.D.

*In 2015, there were 10.4 million new cases of Tuberculosis infection worldwide. With the emergence of extremely drug resistant (XDR) Mycobacterium tuberculosis and its ease of spread in our interconnected world, it is important to consider revolutionary ways to combat a microbe that has plagued humanity since the dawn of civilization. In this course, we will present a broad overview of how M. tuberculosis establishes an infection by exploiting the host's natural defenses. We will also explore the disproportionate impact TB has in underrepresented populations. Finally, some examples of cutting edge research and treatment strategies will be discussed to point toward future avenues to combating this microbial menace.*

Level: Basic



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**SATURDAY MAY 20<sup>TH</sup> 3:30-5:00**

**Hematology QC (Formal information and Tribal Knowledge)**

Kathy Davidson MT(ASCP), Hematology Field Product Specialist,  
Beckman Coulter

*We will be discussing Quality Control as it applies to Hematology. This includes the standards plus a healthy dose of Tribal Knowledge. Hematology is part science, part art. We will explore both of these counterparts.*

Level: Intermediate

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**SATURDAY MAY 20<sup>TH</sup> 3:30-5:00**

**Part 1- Surviving Instrument Downtime; Part 2- Restructuring of Workflow in the Lab in Today's Tech Shortage Workforce**

Tina J Batsch MT (ASCP), Laboratory Manager,  
Newport Hospital and Health Services

*Part 1- If you have ever worked in a lab, then chances are you have experienced instrument downtime. This session will begin with an example of a worse case scenario result of an instrument being down. Next, back up and work around procedures will be discussed. Finally, a look at the aftermath and how instrument downtime effects the areas of billing and coding, result reporting, and the impact it had on the budget.*

*Part 2- Are you spending too much money on contracted temporary staff or running into too much overtime and not enough help? This session points out some options that can help reorganize the workload. We will look at job codes as well as look at waived, moderately complex or highly complex tests.*

Level: Intermediate

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**EXTRA EVENTS**

Please don't forget about

- Cocktail Networking Event Friday evening after the sessions from 5:00-6:00. Two drink tickets and Hors D'oeuvres will be provided with registration of at least one session.
- Deli lunch on Saturday from 12:00-1:00 is provided with registration of at least two sessions. Join ASCLS leadership for their board meeting in the big conference room during lunch.

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**WHAT DO I WEAR?**

Remember that the conference is at the beach. Business attire is not required. We are here to have fun and learn a little something.

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**QUESTIONS?**

**CONTACT THE OSS CHAIR**

Rachelle Barrett at [khetal3@yahoo.com](mailto:khetal3@yahoo.com)

*She will try to direct you to the best place to answer any questions you might have.*



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**Newport, OR**  
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## Registration Form

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Sessions (Circle one per time slot)					
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ASCLS / AMT MEMBERS \$24 PER SESSION ID: _____ <small>PLEASE CIRCLE WHICH ORGANIZATION YOU ARE A MEMBER OF.</small>		STUDENTS \$20 PER SESSION School _____		NON-MEMBER \$36 PER SESSION	

Total # Sessions: \_\_\_\_\_ X Price Point: \_\_\_\_\_ = Amount Due: \_\_\_\_\_

Check all that apply:

- I am willing to volunteer as a session moderator for sessions I have registered for.
- I wish to attend the cocktail hour on Friday evening. *(Must have signed up for at least one session)*
- I wish to stay for lunch on Saturday. *(Must have signed up for at least two sessions.)*