

# UPMC Office of Advanced Practice Providers' Thirteenth Fall CME Conference

**Monday, September 22, 2025 | 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. EST**  
**Conference to be held virtually via Microsoft Teams**

## Overview

The format of this conference will include interactive presentations from a variety of leaders within the UPMC system. The objective of this conference is to facilitate multidisciplinary continuing education, clinical updates, and professional development for UPMC advanced practice providers and students. The day's events are listed below.

## Course Director

**Benjamin R. Reynolds, MSPAS, PA-C, DFAAPA**  
Chief Advanced Practice Officer,  
UPMC Office of Advanced  
Practice Providers  
  
OAPP CME Planning Committee  
led by **Megan M. Tomaino, PA-C, MPAS** and **Catherine Watson, DNP, CRNP**

## Schedule – see below:

8–8:15 a.m.	<b>Introduction</b> by Ben Reynolds, MSPAS, PA-C, DFAAPA
8:15–9 a.m.	<b>KEYNOTE: Professional Sustainability in an Always-On World</b> by Lillian Liang Emlet, MD MS CHSE CPC ELI-MP
9–10 a.m.	<b>Forging the Way. An Innovative Virtual Based Pain Management Model Improves Patient Access to State-Of-The Art Care</b> by Amy Croushore CRNP, AP-PMN
10–10:15 a.m.	<b>BREAK</b>
10:15–11:15 a.m.	<b>Cultural Sensitivity in Health Care Delivery</b> by Kristen Eckstrand, MD, PhD
11:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.	<b>Abridge Ambient Documentation</b> Gary Horvath & Matt Troup, PA-C
12:15–12:30 p.m.	<b>Review and Evaluation</b>
12:30 p.m.	<b>Adjournment</b>

*continued >*

## Faculty Listing

*(All UPMC unless stated otherwise)*

**Amy Croushore CRNP, AP-PMN**

**Kristen Eckstrand, MD, PhD**

**Lillian Liang Emlet, MD MS CHSE CPC ELI-MP**

**Gary Horvath**

**Benjamin R. Reynolds, MSPAS, PA-C, DFAAPA**

**Matt Troup, PA-C**

## Who Should Attend

This course is designed for UPMC Advanced Practice Providers and students enrolled in area APP programs.

## Accreditation Statement

In support of improving patient care, the University of Pittsburgh is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the healthcare team.

## Physician Assistant (AAPA)

The University of Pittsburgh has been authorized by the American Academy of PAs (AAPA) to award AAPA Category 1 CME credit for activities planned in accordance with AAPA CME Criteria. This activity is designated for 4.25 AAPA Category 1 CME credit. PAs should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation.

## Nursing (CNE)

The maximum number of hours awarded for this Continuing Nursing Education activity is 4.25 contact hour.

Other Healthcare Professionals: Other health care professionals will receive a certificate of attendance confirming the number of contact hours commensurate with the extent of participation in this activity.

## Faculty Disclosure:

All individuals in a position to control the content of this education activity are required to disclose all relevant financial relationships with any proprietary entity producing, marketing, re-selling, or distributing health care goods or services, used on, or consumed by, patients.

No members of the planning committee, speakers, presenters, authors, content reviewers and/or anyone else in a position to control the content of this education activity have relevant financial relationships with any companies whose primary business is producing, marketing, selling, re-selling, or distributing healthcare products used by or on patients.

The University of Pittsburgh is an affirmative action, equal opportunity institution.

*Participation by all individuals is encouraged. Advance notification of any special needs will help us provide better service. Please notify us of your needs at least two weeks in advance of the program by contacting the UPMC Office of Advanced Practice Providers at [advancedpracticeproviders@upmc.edu](mailto:advancedpracticeproviders@upmc.edu).*

