

Saturday, March 8, 2025

8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Via Zoom Videoconference

Massachusetts Psychiatric Society's

2025 Risk Avoidance & Risk Management Conference

Program Overview

We are pleased to present the 2025 Risk Avoidance & Management Conference. This is the Massachusetts Psychiatric Society's annual risk management conference with its successful record spanning decades. The conference focuses on actual issues faced by practicing psychiatrists. The conference aims to increase the understanding of various roles of psychiatrists interfacing with the law and regulatory agencies and to foster appreciation of the challenges of psychiatrists in court. Each year experts review timely and relevant risk management issues. We utilize several didactic lectures with significant time for questions raised by conference attendees to foster learning.

This year, topics addressed will include: Dr. Thomas Gutheil will review major issues relevant to general risk management and fielding participant risk

management questions; Dr. Chinmoy Gulrajani will discuss disability assessment and posttraumatic stress disorder; Dr. Renee Sorrentino will discuss practical considerations for the general practitioner related to problematic sexual behaviors in patients; Attorney Joshua Abrams will provide guidance on issues related to patient incapacity, surrogate decision makers, health care proxies, and guardianship, in psychiatric practice; Dr. Andrew Nanton will discuss issues related to artificial intelligence and its impact on clinical care and patient interactions; and Dr. James Luccarelli will review indications and risk considerations in neurotherapeutic treatments, including electroconvulsive therapy, transcranial magnetic imaging, and ketamine treatment.

Program Objectives

At the conclusion of this activity, participants should be able to:

- Utilize risk reduction tools and strategies in daily practice
- Understand the practice of assessing problematic sexual behaviors and managing their treatment and risks in general psychiatric practice
- Review disability assessments and posttraumatic stress disorder
- Appreciate issues related to the increased implementation of artificial intelligence systems in clinical practice and its impact on patients lives and their interactions with clinicians

- Understand issues related to neurotherapeutic interventions, including electroconvulsive therapy, transcranial magnetic stimulation, ketamine, and other emerging treatment modalities
- Learn about practice approaches to considerations about patient decision making capacity, surrogate decision makers, health care proxies, and guardianships, as they relate to psychiatric practice

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Accreditation Statement

The Massachusetts Psychiatric Society is accredited by the Massachusetts Medical Society to provide medical education for physicians.

AMA Credit Designation Statement

The Massachusetts Psychiatric Society designates this live activity for a maximum of 6 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

This activity meets the criteria of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine for risk management study.

REGISTRATION FEE

[] MPS/APA/MMS MEMBER	\$150
[] RESIDENT/FELLOW	\$15
[] NON-MEMBER	\$175
[] MEDICAL STUDENT	\$0

Please note the link for the conference will be sent on March 7.

Questions?

Call (781) 237-8100, 8 a.m.–4 p.m. Monday thru Friday



Faculty



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*Director of Pediatric
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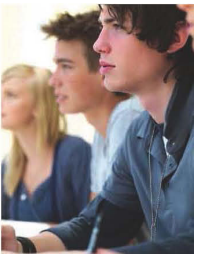
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*Professor of Psychiatry
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Matthew Lahaie, MD, JD
*Activity Co-Chair & Moderator
Faculty, UMass Medical School &
Harvard Medical School*



Program Schedule

8:30-8:40 a.m.

Welcome and Introduction

Matthew Lahaie, MD, JD

8:40-9:45 a.m.

Risk Management for the Psychiatric Professional

Thomas G. Gutheil, MD

9:45-10:45 a.m.

PTSD and Disability

Chinmoy Gulrajani, MD, DFAPA

10:45-11:45 a.m.

Problematic Sexual Behavior: Practical Considerations for the General Psychiatric Practitioner

Renee Sorrentino, MD

11:45-12:30 p.m.

LUNCH BREAK

12:30-1:30 p.m.

Incapacity: Surrogates, Proxies, Guardians, Oh My...

Joshua Abrams, JD

1:30-2:30 p.m.

Artificial Intelligence: Implications for Psychiatric Practice

Andrew Nanton, MD

2:30-3:30 p.m.

Neurotherapeutics: Risk Management Considerations for ECT, TMS, and Ketamine

James Luccarelli, MD, DPhil

3:30 p.m.

Wrap Up

Matthew Lahaie, MD, JD