

ATS 2025 Road Map for Early Career Professionals

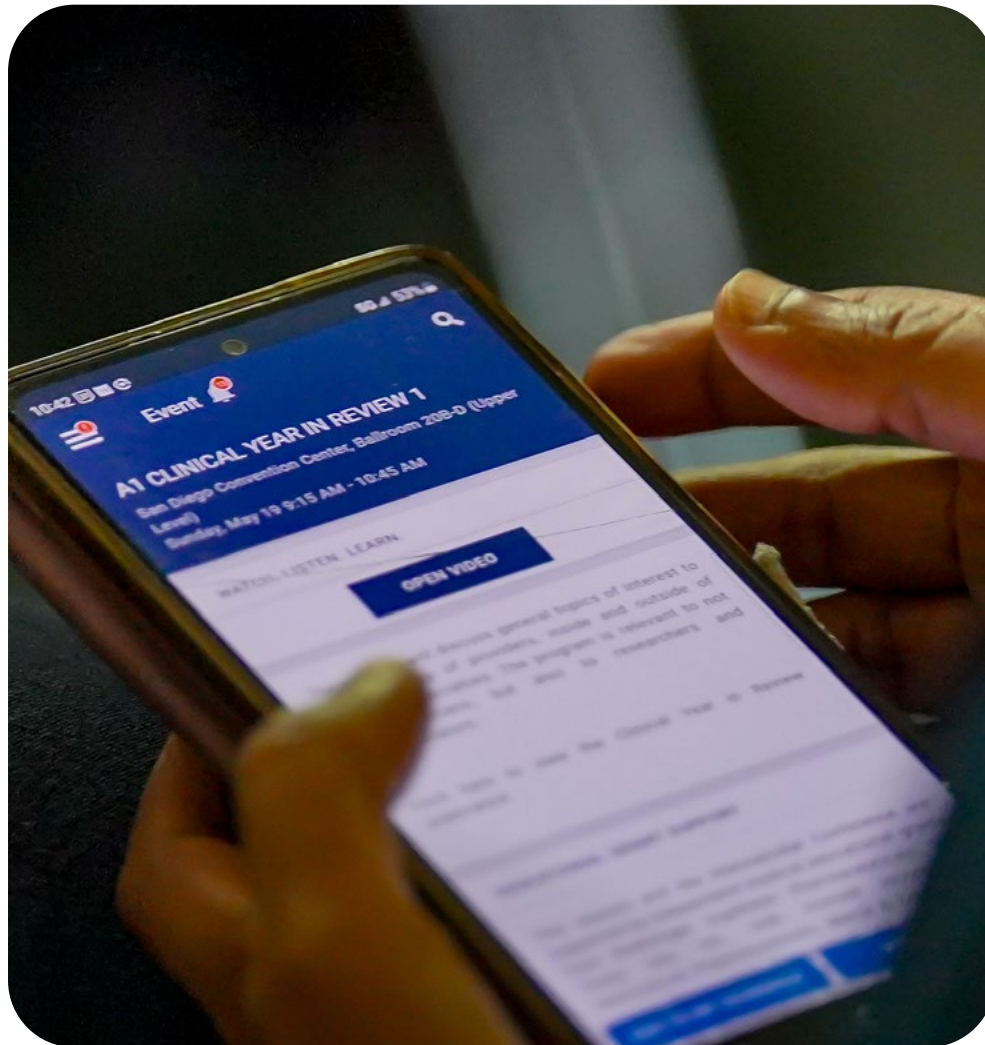


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2025

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Available in the App Store or Google Play to download starting late-April.

For information at your fingertips, download the conference app from the App Store or Google Play. With this tool, you can build your itinerary, learn about special events, browse sessions and speakers, map your trip to the exhibit hall and receive important updates.

Features include:

- Search - find the sessions you want by date, speaker, type, track and disease state and then build a personalized itinerary.
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- Education - View the wide array of available educational opportunities – MOC, CME, Industry Supported Evening Symposia, Industry Theaters, and Guru Bars.
- Maps - Use the enhanced maps function to access interactive floorplans of the San Francisco Convention Center and surrounding headquarter hotels.
- Connect - Find other attendees and share your contact information. Its functions include identifying and messaging other attendees, as well as taking notes and compiling contact information of those you connect with.
- Scan a Badge - Easily exchange contact information by scanning colleagues' registration badges. Once scanned, their contact information will appear on your screen and can be stored on your device, saving you time and allowing you to continue the conversation long after the conference.

Together, these and other capabilities make the ATS 2025 conference app a must-have tool.

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Check out our welcome letter
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Welcome to ATS 2025!



This Road Map for Early Career Professionals highlights many of the events, programs, activities, and resources that we believe will be of interest to you as an early-career or in-training ATS member. This includes graduate and professional students, clinical trainees, research fellows, and new faculty. To get started, check out our Making the Most out of ATS 2025 infographic that provides tips on what to do before, during, and after the ATS conference ([see page 5](#)). In addition, the following events and opportunities are geared towards trainees and early career professionals and so are worth checking out:

- [Diversity Forum](#) (Sunday, May 18, 11:45 a.m. - 1:15 p.m., San Francisco Marriott Marquis): The Diversity Forum is focused on key topics related to diversity, equity, and inclusion in pulmonary, critical care, and sleep medicine and science. [Seating is limited. Register today!](#)
- [Women's Forum](#) (Monday, May 19, 11:45 a.m. - 1:15 p.m., San Francisco Marriott Marquis): The Women's Forum supports the advancement of women in pulmonary, critical care, and sleep medicine and recognizes their outstanding contributions to our field. [Seating is limited. Register today!](#)
- ATS Assembly Mentoring Programs: Sign up to be a mentor or mentee! Please go to thoracic.org/members/assemblies/ats-mentoring-programs.php to learn more about this valuable component of the ATS 2025 International Conference.
- The ATS Networking Super Center (Sunday, May 18 – Tuesday, May 20 from 7 a.m. – 5 p.m. PT, Wednesday, May 21 from 7 a.m. – 2 p.m., Hall D, Moscone Convention Center, South Building, Exhibition Level) is a great place to catch high-yield didactic and small group sessions related to career development, clinical learning, and scientific innovation. Be sure to check it out and take advantage of the smaller setting to get to know some amazing peers and leaders from across our field. More on [page 18](#).
- Assembly Meetings: Assembly meetings are a great way to meet people interested in similar topics. Many assemblies have **early career networking events** in and around the meeting, and early career working groups that are designed for trainees and early career members. More information about the ATS Assemblies can be found on [page 7](#).

In addition to this Road Map, the full ATS conference program (online or on the [ATS App for Android or iPhone](#)) is definitely worth checking out to find symposia and poster sessions related to other specific interests you may have. You can search by topic or by speaker through the app.

Feel like being more involved? There are many ways to get involved within the ATS outside of the International Conference. If you would like to get involved with ATS activities after the conference is over, please contact ATS staff member Liz Guzman, at fellows@thoracic.org. Also, be sure to sign up on the official Get Involved page at thoracic.org/members/assemblies/get-involved-with-ats.php! Other ways to be involved? There are a multitude of local ATS chapters based on your location to make an impact closer to home! Be sure to sign up for your local chapter. <https://site.thoracic.org/membership/chapters/chapter-list>.

To get even more out of your overall ATS experience, we greatly encourage you to sign up for ATS Assemblies.

Assemblies are a subset of members and affiliates with interests in common among the broader field areas, such as pediatric, critical care medicine or respiratory cell and molecular biology and are a great way of networking both at the IC and beyond. A full list of assemblies can be found here: <https://www.thoracic.org/members/assemblies/assemblies/>.

On behalf of ATS and the entire Professional Development Committee (PDC), welcome to ATS 2025! We hope you have an exciting, informative, and valuable experience!

Making the Most of ATS 2025

Before ATS:

- Review the Early Career Road Map**
- Download the ATS App**
- Plan sessions on your calendar**
- Sign up for Assembly Mentorship Programs**
- Plan meetings with mentors & friends**
- Prepare talks & posters**
- Pack for success & comfort (e.g., comfy shoes, layers, etc.)**

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During ATS:

- Networking Exchange**
- Opening Ceremony**
- Super Networking Center sessions**
- Diversity Forum**
- Women's Forum**
- Assembly meetings**
- Introduce yourself to faculty and peers before and after sessions**
- Remember to get contact information and set a plan to reach out**

After ATS

- Follow up with people indicating interests & specific asks (e.g., a call, project feedback, etc.)**
- Submit session proposals for ATS 2026 (due in June)**
- Visit ATS website for additional resources**
- Reach out to Assembly and Committee leadership to get involved!**

How to Get Involved with ATS



How to Get Involved in ATS Assemblies

As a member you may join one primary Assembly and up to two secondary Assemblies, besides being able to get appointed to the ATS Committees. These are some ideas to get more involved in each assembly:

- Contact the [assembly chairs](#) to indicate your interest in getting involved with the various assembly projects and working groups. These projects have the potential to result in statements, workshop reports/conference proceedings, health technology assessments, systematic reviews, or clinical practice guidelines.
- Take part in mentorship programs hosted by select Assemblies.
- Applying to an [assembly apprenticeship program](#) is a great way to get involved in an assembly committee (i.e., planning or programming committee).
- Attend the assembly business meetings while at the ATS International Conference. These meetings often serve as a springboard for members wishing to get involved with the organization: <https://www.thoracic.org/members/assemblies/get-involved-with-ats.php>

The ATS is a member-driven organization. All conference programming and society decisions are made by members like you! By becoming an active member of ATS, you can have a direct impact on pulmonary, critical care, and sleep medicine and allergy through the development of ATS statements and guidelines, programs, meetings, and educational resources like webinars, podcasts, and training tools. Involvement in ATS provides an outstanding networking opportunity that is valuable for collaboration, career advancement, and advocacy. At first, the ATS and the ATS International Conference may seem overwhelming. However, once you start to understand the structure and how decisions are made, the ATS becomes much more navigable.

Here are some tips on how to get started:

- If you are not a member yet, we have exciting news, [first year membership is FREE](#) for all domestic and international trainees. After this first year, trainee membership continues at a low cost until your formal training ends. This special program welcomes pulmonary, critical care and sleep medicine trainees into the ATS community.
- Become an active member: There are two main ways to get involved in ATS. One way is through involvement on an ATS assembly, and the other is by getting appointed to an ATS committee.
- Link up with us on social media: Have more questions? Would you like to engage more with the ATS at your own pace? Follow the social media handles of the ATS organization, assemblies, interest groups, and journals. With a strong presence across multiple platforms, the ATS uses these channels to make announcements, share opportunities, and engage with you.

How to Get Appointed to an ATS Committee

Apply to ATS committees that help direct the ATS's activities. Committee appointments are made once a year by the ATS president-elect, with help from committee chairs. Though each committee roster is capped at number of members, regular turnover occurs to allow new voices to join each committee. You can volunteer for a committee here: thoracic.org/members/committees/.

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ATS Assembly Membership Meetings



Assemblies serve as the cornerstone of the ATS, offering a pivotal entry point for trainees, junior faculty, and new ATS members. These 14 assemblies play a vital role in shaping the content and programming of the International Conference, among other essential activities.

For those seeking involvement, attending one or more of the annual assembly membership meetings aligned with your clinical and research interests is an accessible starting point. These meetings, held during the International Conference, provide a valuable opportunity to personally connect with the assembly’s leaders. If attending isn’t feasible, reaching out to Assembly leaders via email post-conference is another avenue to express interest and engagement.

All membership meetings are scheduled to convene at the Marriott Marquis. Please find the meeting logistics below.

Assembly Membership Meeting Schedule

Assembly on:	Assembly Chair	Date/Time (ET)	Location
Allergy, Immunology and Inflammation (AII) ↗	Angela Rogers, MD, MPH, ATSF	Monday, May 19, 5-7 p.m.	Room 3005/3007
Behavioral Science and Health Services Research (BSHSR) ↗	Valerie G Press, MD, MPH, ATSF	Sunday, May 18, 5-7 p.m.	Room 3010/3012
Clinical Problems (CP) ↗	Ravi Kalhan, MD, MS	Monday, May 19, 5-7 p.m.	3006/3008
Critical Care (CC) ↗	C. Terri Hough, MD, MSc, ATSF	Monday, May 19, 5-7 p.m.	3014/3016/3018
Environmental, Occupational and Population Health (EOPH) ↗	Alison K. Bauer, PhD, ATSF	Sunday, May 18, 5-7 p.m.	3001/3003
Nursing (NUR) ↗	Margaret Carno, PhD, CPNP, ATSF, MBA, RN	Sunday, May 18, 5-7 p.m.	3020
Pediatrics (PEDS) ↗	Terri A. Laguna, MD, Msci, ATSF	Sunday, May 18, 5-7 p.m.	3005/3007
PEDS Dinner		Sunday, May 18 7:30-9:30 p.m.	Marriott Marquis San Francisco Yerba Buena Ball Salon 8 B2 Lower Level
Pulmonary Circulation (PC) ↗	Vinicio A. de Jesus Perez, MD, FCCP, FAHA, ATSF	Monday, May 19, 5-7 p.m.	3001/3003
Pulmonary Infections and Tuberculosis (PI-TB) ↗	Kenneth Olivier, MD, MPH, ATSF	Sunday, May 18, 5-7 p.m.	3000/3002/3004
Pulmonary Rehabilitation (PR) ↗	Rachel Evans, MBChB, FRCP, PhD	Monday, May 19, 5-7 p.m.	3020
Respiratory Cell and Molecular Biology (RCMB) ↗	Elizabeth F. Redente, PhD, ATSF	Monday, May 19, 5-7 p.m.	3000/3002/3004
Respiratory Structure and Function (RSF) ↗	Jason C. Woods, PhD, ATSF	Sunday, May 18 5-7 p.m.	3014/3016/3018
Sleep and Respiratory Neurobiology (SRN) ↗	Robert L. Owens, MD, ATSF	Monday, May 19, 5-7 p.m.	2001/2003
Thoracic Oncology (TO) ↗	Christopher G. Slatore, MD, MS	Sunday, May 18, 5-7 p.m.	3006/3008



Join the conversation: Use #ATSEarlyCareer

Networking Exchange for Early Career Professionals

Saturday, May 17
5:30-6:30 p.m.
Moscone, South Terrace
(South Building, Level 3)

Sponsored by Professional Development Committee

- + Become an ATS in-training member for FREE!
- + Connect with peers!
- + Get involved!
- + Learn more about the ATS conference!

Professional Development Committee and ATS Leadership will be present at this event. Feel free to ask them any questions or just say hello!

PhD Reception

Sunday, May 18
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Moscone, South Terrace
(South Building, Level 3)

Organized by SIC PhD Working Group

If you are PhD, basic scientist, post-doc, or early career professional, come on down to Moscone, South Terrace for this networking event! There will be lots of opportunities to meet new people, make new connections, establish new collaborations, and share career development experiences and advice. Plus, there will be free appetizers and drinks, so that's a bonus!

TEACH Networking Event

Monday, May 19
Time: 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Moscone, South Terrace
(South Building, Level 3)

Organized by ATS Section on Medical Education Leadership

The TEACH event is a networking event that brings together trainees interested in medical education (including those in the group Trainees Interested in Medical Education) with faculty who have an expressed interest in medical education (generally from the Section on Medical Education). The goal is to provide a space for meeting, mingling and conversation! We may send out a few prompt question suggestions to attendees, but the overall gist is to provide a space for medical education related networking for collaboration on medical education interests, including research or teaching endeavors.

IMG International Medical Graduates Networking Event

Tuesday, May 20, 2024
Time: 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Moscone, South Terrace
(South Building, Level 3)

Sponsored by Professional Development Committee

International medical graduates face a wide variety of challenges, ranging from visa implications, job availability, navigating the search for mentorship and research funding as well as opportunities for advanced training. This session will provide an opportunity to network in a small group, structured manner with expert faculty from a variety of institutions. Expert faculty are at various stages of their career and many are international medical graduates themselves. This is a highly informative session with ample opportunity for networking.

Session Code	Format	Title	Time
Sunday			
A5	Basic Science Core	BASIC SCIENCE CORE	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
A8	Scientific Symposium	EMPHYSEMA ACROSS DISEASES: FLAWED (RE)GENERATION OR RAPID DESTRUCTION?	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
A9	Scientific Symposium	ADVANCING HOST-DIRECTED THERAPIES IN PULMONARY INFECTIONS: BRIDGING RESEARCH AND CLINICAL PRACTICE	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
A85	Basic Science Core	BASIC SCIENCE CORE	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
A88	Scientific Symposium	EPIGENETICS: HOW EARLY LIFE EXPOSURES CONTRIBUTE TO LUNG DISEASE LATER IN LIFE	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
A86	Critical Care Track	UNLOCKING HETEROGENEITY TO ADVANCE PRECISION MEDICINE IN ARDS	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
Monday			
B2	Clinical Topics in Pulmonary Medicine	BIOMARKERS IN PULMONARY FIBROSIS – GLEANING THROUGH AN OMICS LENS	9:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
B8	Scientific Symposium	PULMONARY VIRUS INFECTIONS ACROSS THE LIFESPAN	9:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
B5	Basic Science Core	REMINISCENCE OF AN EARLIER LIFE – SHEDDING MECHANISTIC LIGHT ON THE TRANSGENERATIONAL IMPACT OF CIGARETTE SMOKE ON LUNG FUNCTION	9:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
B86	Scientific Symposium	PULMONARY HYPERTENSION: UNRAVELING CELLULAR PHENOTYPE SHIFTS ACROSS THE TIMELINE OF DISEASE PROGRESSION	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
B90	Scientific Symposium	UNSEEN YET CRITICAL: SMALL AIRWAYS IN CHRONIC AIRWAY DISEASES	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
B85	Basic Science Core	OBSTRUCTIVE AIRWAY AND LUNG DISEASE BEGINS IN THE WOMB	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
Tuesday			
D9	Scientific Symposium	SHARED MECHANISTIC INSIGHTS IN INTERSTITIAL LUNG DISEASE AND PULMONARY HYPERTENSION: THE ENDOTHELIAL CONNECTION	8:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
C6	Scientific Symposium	TARGETING MYELOID IMMUNE RESPONSES IN THE LUNG TUMOR MICROENVIRONMENT FOR CANCER THERAPY	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
C8	Scientific Symposium	THE LIVER-LUNG AXIS IN PULMONARY VASCULAR DISEASE: BENCH TO BEDSIDE	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
C9	Scientific Symposium	MANY FACES OF ALVEOLAR TYPE II CELLS- PLASTICITY IN HEALTH AND DISEASE	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
D82	Scientific Symposium	RESPIRATORY CONVERSATIONS: ADVANCES IN ORGAN-ORGAN CROSSTALK IN PULMONARY PATHOBIOLOGY	11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
C88	Scientific Symposium	YES, A WHOLE SESSION ON MUCUS: LATEST RESEARCH INSIGHTS	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
C86	Scientific Symposium	HOW NOVEL INFLAMMATORY INTERACTIONS IN ASTHMA CONTRIBUTE TO DISEASE AND SEVERITY	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
C89	Scientific Symposium	FROM AIR TO AILMENTS: UNDERSTANDING THE IMPACT OF AIRBORNE POLLUTANTS AND PARTICULATE MATTER FROM DIFFERENT SOURCES ON HEALTH	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
Wednesday			
D8	Scientific Symposium	25 YEARS OF SEVERE ASTHMA RESEARCH PROGRAM: DISCOVERIES AND BEYOND	8:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
D10	Scientific Symposium	INSIGHTS INTO ACUTE LUNG INJURY REVEALED THROUGH LUNG TRANSPLANTATION	8:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
D81	Critical Care Track	LUNG-BRAIN INTERACTION IN CRITICAL ILLNESS: CLINICAL IMPLICATIONS OF MECHANICAL VENTILATION	11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
D83	Scientific Symposium	POST-INFECTIOUS PULMONARY COMPLICATIONS: TB, SARS-COV-2, AND BEYOND	11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Session Code	Format	Title	Time
Sunday			
A4	Critical Care Track	SPEAKING BUT NOT HEARD: DISPARITIES IN GERIATRIC CRITICAL CARE	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
A86	Critical Care Track	UNLOCKING HETEROGENEITY TO ADVANCE PRECISION MEDICINE IN ARDS	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
A82	Critical Care Track	JOURNAL	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
CC1	Adult Core Curriculum	HIT THE ROAD JACK: OPTIMIZING THE ICU TO FLOOR TRANSITION LIKE A SURGEON: TIMING AND BENEFITS OF TRACHEOSTOMY FOR PROLONGED RESPIRATORY FAILURE MY HEART WILL GO ON: THE ROLE OF THE INTENSIVIST IN ORGAN DONATION	11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Monday			
B4	Critical Care Track	FRAILITY IN THE INTENSIVE CARE UNIT	9:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
CC3	Adult Core Curriculum	LIFE IS A HIGHWAY: ADVICE ON SEEKING A HIGHER LEVEL OF CARE A CHANGE WOULD DO YOU GOOD: LTAC INDICATIONS AND OUTCOMES WE ARE FAMILY: IMPACT OF PATIENT TRANSFERS ON FAMILIES	11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
B81	Year in Review	NURSING YEAR IN REVIEW	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
B82	Critical Care Track	MECHANICAL VENTILATION OF THE FUTURE: NEW FOUNDATIONS FOR VENTILATOR STRATEGIES	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
Tuesday			
C4	Critical Care Track	DON'T BE AVERAGE, BE AN INDIVIDUAL! BRINGING EVIDENCE-BASED PERSONALIZED MEDICINE TO CRITICAL CARE	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
C5	Scientific Symposium	TEMPORAL TRAJECTORIES OF INFLAMMATION AND RECOVERY IN CRITICAL ILLNESS	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
C85	Scientific Symposium	ATS GUIDELINES: CONTROVERSIES IN THE MANAGEMENT OF CAP AND ARDS	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
Wednesday			
D10	Scientific Symposium	INSIGHTS INTO ACUTE LUNG INJURY REVEALED THROUGH LUNG TRANSPLANTATION	8:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
D2	Critical Care Track	WHEN ONE SIZE DOESN'T FIT ALL: EMBRACING HETEROGENEITY IN SEPSIS MANAGEMENT	8:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
D4	Clinical Topics in Pulmonary Medicine	AI-DRIVEN INNOVATIONS IN PULMONARY AND CRITICAL CARE MEDICINE: A LOOK AHEAD	8:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
D81	Critical Care Track	LUNG-BRAIN INTERACTION IN CRITICAL ILLNESS: CLINICAL IMPLICATIONS OF MECHANICAL VENTILATION	11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

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A3	Clinical Topics in Pulmonary Medicine	FELLOWS CASE CONFERENCE	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
CC1	Adult Core Curriculum	HIT THE ROAD JACK: OPTIMIZING THE ICU TO FLOOR TRANSITION LIKE A SURGEON: TIMING AND BENEFITS OF TRACHEOSTOMY FOR PROLONGED RESPIRATORY FAILURE MY HEART WILL GO ON: THE ROLE OF THE INTENSIVIST IN ORGAN DONATION	11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
CC2	Adult Clinical Core Curriculum	I’M DOWN WITH LDCT - YOU KNOW ME: LUNG CANCER SCREENING AND PREVENTION IN 2025 STUCK IN THE MIDDLE WITH YOU: DIAGNOSIS AND STAGING OF LUNG CANCER WITH ENDOBRONCHIAL ULTRASOUND LIVIN’ ON THE EDGE: IMAGE-GUIDED BRONCHOSCOPY FOR PERIPHERAL PULMONARY NODULES	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
A83	Clinical Topics in Pulmonary Medicine	GREAT CASES: CLINICAL, RADIOLOGIC, AND PATHOLOGIC CORRELATIONS BY MASTER CLINICIANS	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
Monday			
B12	Scientific Symposium	SCALE TBD	9:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
CC3	Adult Core Curriculum	LIFE IS A HIGHWAY: ADVICE ON SEEKING A HIGHER LEVEL OF CARE A CHANGE WOULD DO YOU GOOD: LTAC INDICATIONS AND OUTCOMES WE ARE FAMILY: IMPACT OF PATIENT TRANSFERS ON FAMILIES	11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
PCC1	Pediatric Core Curriculum	PFTS FROM A TO Z: UPDATES IN PULMONARY FUNCTION TESTING RUNNING INTO THE FUTURE: UPDATES IN EXERCISE TESTING	12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
PCC2	Pediatric Core Curriculum	CAPTURING THE FUTURE: MODERN IMAGING TECHNIQUES WHAT’S NEW IN DIAGNOSTIC FLEXIBLE BRONCHOSCOPY	12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
CC4	Adult Core	CUTS LIKE A KNIFE: DETERMINING CANDIDACY FOR LUNG CANCER RESECTION LET’S GET PERSONAL: WHAT THE GENERAL PULMONOLOGIST NEEDS TO KNOW ABOUT MOLECULAR TARGETS IN LUNG CANCER LIKE A SURGEON: PLEURAL PROCEDURES FOR DIAGNOSIS AND MANAGEMENT OF MALIGNANT PLEURAL DISEASE	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
Tuesday			
C10	Scientific Symposium	ENHANCING RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OF MINORITY AND UNDERREPRESENTED POPULATIONS	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
C92	Scientific Symposium	CHEST JOINT SESSION (TBD)	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
CC5	Adult Clinical Core Curriculum	SLEEP AND AGING SLEEP AND MENOPAUSE SLEEP AND DISADVANTAGED POPULATIONS	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
Wednesday			
CC6	Adult Clinical Core Curriculum	OSA AND OBESITY MEDICATIONS OSA IN THE PERIOPERATIVE SETTING SLEEP AND CRITICAL ILLNESS SURVIVORSHIP	11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Suggested Conference Activities

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Sunday			
A6	Scientific Symposium	EVOLVING LANDSCAPE OF RESPIRATORY OUTCOMES IN SURVIVORS OF PREMATURE BIRTH	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
A13	Scientific Symposium	POTENTIATING THE BENEFITS OF WORKFORCE DIVERSITY	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
A3	Clinical Topics in Pulmonary Medicine	FELLOWS CASE CONFERENCE	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
A7	Scientific Symposium	INCLUDE: ADVANCES IN PEDIATRIC OSA THROUGH DOWN SYNDROME-FOCUSED TRIALS	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
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B6	Scientific Symposium	PRECISION MEDICINE IN SEVERE ASTHMA: LATE-BREAKING RESULTS FROM THE PRECISE TRIAL	9:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
B9	Scientific Symposium	CONTEMPORARY DISEASE-MODIFYING THERAPIES: UPDATES FOR THE PEDIATRIC PULMONOLOGIST	9:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
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B87	Scientific Symposium	HOT TOPICS IN CHILDHOOD ASTHMA: RISK FACTORS, MANAGEMENT, AND REMISSION	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
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D8	Scientific Symposium	25 YEARS OF SEVERE ASTHMA RESEARCH PROGRAM: DISCOVERIES AND BEYOND	8:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
D5	Scientific Symposium	RACE & GENETIC ANCESTRY: RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN A SOCIAL CONSTRUCT AND BIOLOGY	8:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
D7	Scientific Symposium	TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCEMENTS IN PEDIATRIC PULMONOLOGY: REMOTE DATA AND DECISION SUPPORT	8:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
PCC3	Pediatric Core	BREATHE EASY: HOME VENTILATOR DIAGNOSTICS VENT CHECK: INPATIENT VENTILATOR DIAGNOSTICS	9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Session Code	Format	Title	Time
Sunday			
A3	Clinical Topics in Pulmonary Medicine	FELLOWS CASE CONFERENCE	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
A2	Clinical Topics in Pulmonary Medicine	JOURNAL 1	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
A12	Scientific Symposium	IMPLEMENTING PREVENTATIVE AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH INTERVENTIONS IN PULMONARY MEDICINE	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
A83	Clinical Topics in Pulmonary Medicine	GREAT CASES: CLINICAL, RADIOLOGIC, AND PATHOLOGIC CORRELATIONS BY MASTER CLINICIANS	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
CC2	Adult Clinical Core Curriculum	I'M DOWN WITH LDCT - YOU KNOW ME: LUNG CANCER SCREENING AND PREVENTION IN 2025 STUCK IN THE MIDDLE WITH YOU: DIAGNOSIS AND STAGING OF LUNG CANCER WITH ENDOBRONCHIAL ULTRASOUND LIVIN' ON THE EDGE: IMAGE-GUIDED BRONCHOSCOPY FOR PERIPHERAL PULMONARY NODULES	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
Monday			
B3	Clinical Topics in Pulmonary Medicine	NON-MALIGNANT PLEURAL DISEASE - A PRO/CON DEBATE	9:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
B11	President's Symposium	PRESIDENT'S SYMPOSIUM	9:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
B13	Scientific Symposium	BREAKING NEWS: CLINICAL TRIAL RESULTS IN PULMONARY MEDICINE	9:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
B83	Clinical Topics in Pulmonary Medicine	PROGRESSIVE PULMONARY FIBROSIS: FIVE YEARS LATER	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
B84	Clinical Topics in Pulmonary Medicine	DIAGNOSIS OF COPD: A PRO CON DEBATE	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
CC4	Adult Core	CUTS LIKE A KNIFE: DETERMINING CANDIDACY FOR LUNG CANCER RESECTION LET'S GET PERSONAL: WHAT THE GENERAL PULMONOLOGIST NEEDS TO KNOW ABOUT MOLECULAR TARGETS IN LUNG CANCER LIKE A SURGEON: PLEURAL PROCEDURES FOR DIAGNOSIS AND MANAGEMENT OF MALIGNANT PLEURAL DISEASE	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
Tuesday			
C11	Scientific Symposium	MICROPLASTICS AND THEIR IMPACT ON HEALTH	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
C13	Scientific Symposium	CHALLENGES IN TOBACCO CONTROL: NICOTINE CONCENTRATIONS, SYNTHETIC NICOTINE, AND FLAVORINGS	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
C82	Clinical Topics in Pulmonary Medicine	COPD CLINICAL TRIALS - WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
C84	Scientific Symposium	PULMONARY-CRITICAL CARE ADVOCACY: CLOSING THE RESEARCH-POLICY GAP	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
C91	Scientific Symposium	AN ADVOCACY FRAMEWORK FOR TOBACCO: EVIDENCE, POLICY, AND REGULATION ACROSS THE LIFESPAN	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
Wednesday			
D11	Scientific Symposium	LONG-TERM CONSEQUENCES OF RESPIRATORY VIRAL INFECTIONS AND CHRONIC PULMONARY DISEASES: LONG-COVID, ASTHMA, ILD AND LUNG TRANSPLANT	8:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
D4	Clinical Topics in Pulmonary Medicine	AI-DRIVEN INNOVATIONS IN PULMONARY AND CRITICAL CARE MEDICINE: A LOOK AHEAD	8:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
D83	Scientific Symposium	POST-INFECTIOUS PULMONARY COMPLICATIONS: TB, SARS-COV-2, AND BEYOND	11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
D86	Scientific Symposium	COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FOR PULMONARY AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH RESEARCH: LESSONS LEARNED FROM COMMUNITY PARTNERS, SITE ACCESS, AND RECRUITMENT	11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Suggested Conference Activities

Sleep

Session Code	Format	Title	Time
Sunday			
A7	Scientific Symposium	INCLUDE: ADVANCES IN PEDIATRIC OSA THROUGH DOWN SYNDROME-FOCUSED TRIALS	9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
A84	Clinical Topics in Pulmonary Medicine	NAVIGATING THE NEW LANDSCAPE IN HOME VENTILATION	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
Monday			
B89	Scientific Symposium	THERAPEUTIC INNOVATIONS FOR WEIGHT MANAGEMENT IN OSA: FROM METABOLIC MODULATION TO WEIGHT LOSS	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
Tuesday			
C87	Scientific Symposium	SLEEP AND SUDDEN DEATH	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
CC5	Adult Clinical Core Curriculum	SLEEP AND AGING SLEEP AND MENOPAUSE SLEEP AND DISADVANTAGED POPULATIONS	2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
Wednesday			
PCC3	Pediatric Core	BREATHE EASY: HOME VENTILATOR DIAGNOSTICS VENT CHECK: INPATIENT VENTILATOR DIAGNOSTICS	9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
D84	Scientific Symposium	STRATEGIES TO IMPROVE PATIENT-CENTEREDNESS AND DIVERSITY IN CLINICAL TRIALS OF OSA CARE	11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
CC6	Adult Clinical Core Curriculum	OSA AND OBESITY MEDICATIONS OSA IN THE PERIOPERATIVE SETTING SLEEP AND CRITICAL ILLNESS SURVIVORSHIP	11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Early Career Opportunities in ATS Journals



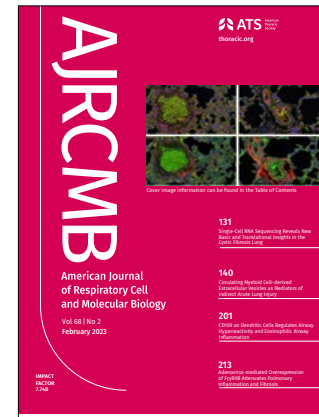
AJRCCM Early Career Group, Images, Beyond the Blue, and the Emerging Investigators Highlight

The Blue Journal has several opportunities for early career professionals:

- The Early Career Group oversees the Images and Beyond the Blue sections and recommends new enterprises and social media initiatives. They train a network of early career clinicians and researchers in editorial and peer review of manuscripts and image requirements, as well as develop junior associate editors under close supervision.
- The Beyond the Blue section encourages researchers in fellowship programs to provide brief reviews on the most interesting articles recently published in other journals. Each Beyond the Blue article contains 3 short summaries (300-400 words each) written by fellows in the program.
- Emerging Investigators Highlight: Each issue features biographies and photographs of Emerging Investigators who authored articles

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- In each issue, at least one paper with a junior investigator as the first or senior author is highlighted by the editors. One of these junior investigators from a highlighted paper is given an award at the ATS Conference.

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- ATS Scholar encourages commentaries from students and trainees in healthcare in its View from the Learner section. While the View from the Learner commentary is written from a trainee perspective, the trainee may include a single senior author to provide support in writing the manuscript if preferred.
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Pediatric Resident Development Scholarship (PRDS)

Online applications will be available in early January.

The Pediatric Resident Development Scholarship (PRDS) program was created by the American Thoracic Society (ATS) to introduce pediatric residents to exciting clinical and research advances in respiratory diseases that affect infants, children, and adolescents by providing awardees an opportunity to attend the annual ATS International Conference. It is expected that this program will encourage participating residents to apply to pediatric pulmonology and/or sleep medicine fellowships, which will ultimately increase the clinical and research workforce in these fields. Learn more about the [PRDS here](#).

Underrepresented Trainee Development Scholarship (UTDS)

Online applications will be available in early January.

The Underrepresented Trainee Development Scholarship (UTDS) aims to increase representation of underrepresented racial and ethnic groups as defined by the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) in pulmonary, critical care, and sleep medicine research by providing an opportunity for trainees in U.S. based programs to attend the ATS International Conference (IC). UTDS awardees will receive a travel scholarship, a certificate of achievement, complimentary registration to the ATS International Conference and 1 free year of ATS membership. They will also be honored during the Diversity Forum at ATS. Learn more about the [UTDS here](#).

ASPIRE Fellowship Program

Are you interested in an academic career in sleep medicine? The ASPIRE (Academic Sleep Pulmonary Integrated Research/Clinical) fellowship is designed to provide mentorship and research funding for pulmonary, critical care, and sleep fellows and otorhinolaryngology residents interested in sleep. The benefits of ASPIRE fellowship include mentorship from expert sleep faculty nationwide, an opportunity to network with other like-minded fellows, and an annual stipend for research. Please [click here](#) for more information.

ATS Early Career Investigator Award in Pulmonary Vascular Disease

The ATS Early Career Investigator Award in Pulmonary Vascular Disease program supports investigators at universities and research institutes in the United States and Canada with innovative projects and promising careers in pulmonary vascular disease. Individual grants of up to \$100,000 are provided to qualified investigators to conduct research on the basic mechanisms and/or vascular biology of pulmonary vascular disease via a 12-month mentored grant. Grants are awarded based on scientific merit, originality, feasibility, and applicability to the diagnosis and treatment of pulmonary hypertension. Please [click here](#) for more information.

Medical Education Research Grant Program

Online applications will be available in early January.

The Medical Education Research Grant Program's primary goal is to provide junior faculty career educators the opportunity to perform high-quality research that advances the fields of education in pulmonary, critical care, or sleep medicine. The award will prioritize education-based and multi-institutional research projects that include a mentor and mentoring plan. Pilot studies and qualitative hypothesis-generating studies are also encouraged. Applicants may request up to \$5,000 for one year for salaries, statistical support/consultations, equipment, and supplies. Please [click here](#) for more information.

Ziskind Clinical Research Scholar Award

Online applications will be available in early January.

The [Ziskind Clinical Research Scholar Award](#) is an ATS Scholarship Award that honors pulmonary and critical care fellows engaged in clinical research. The award was named after Morton Ziskind, MD, a highly respected clinician-researcher from Tulane University who died in 1979 and was renowned for bringing his fellows to the ATS International Conferences and exposing them to memorable learning experiences. In an effort to honor his inspiring mentoring practices, the ATS created this award program to recognize the best and the brightest individuals in clinical research.

The American Thoracic Society’s Public Advisory Roundtable (PAR) is pleased to invite you to our 19th annual FREE patient/family education day event. This year’s talks will be focused on what personalized medicine in pulmonary care means to the patient.

Saturday. May 17
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

InterContinental San Francisco
888 Howard St, San Francisco, CA 94103
Intercontinental Ballroom A-C (Fifth Floor)

Program

Personalized Medicine in Pulmonary Care - What it means to the patient?

10:00 a.m.	Welcome and introductions Donna Appell, RN Michelle Ng Gong, MS, MD, ATSF, ATS Treasurer
10:10 a.m.	Personalized Medicine in Asthma or Precise Network (Asthma) Steve N. Georas, MD, ATSF
10:25 a.m.	Interstitial Lung Disease: Precision Medicine to Predict Pulmonary Fibrosis Paul Wolters, MD, ATSF
10:40 a.m.	Evidence Based Medicine for the Patient in Pulmonary Hypertension Anna R Hemnes, MD, ATSF
10:55 a.m.	Cystic Fibrosis/Pediatric Bronchitis and Airway Disease Gregory Sawicki MD, MPH, ATSF
11:10 a.m.	Patient Perspective Erica Courtenay-Mann
11:25 a.m.	Personalized Medicine for ARDS/Sepsis Elizabeth S Munroe, MD, ATSF
11:40 a.m.	COPD/Emphysema and Sub-Phenotypes of COPD Dawn L. DeMeo, MD, MPH, ATSF
11:55 a.m.	Q&A
12:00 p.m.	Lunch and Breakout Rooms (Informal chat with disease experts)
2:00 p.m.	Program ends

Panelists:



Steve N. Georas, MD, ATSF
University of Rochester
Medical Center



Paul Wolters, MD, ATSF
University of California,
San Francisco



Anna R. Hemnes, MD, ATSF
Vanderbilt University
Medical Center



Dawn L. DeMeo, MD, MPH
Brigham and Women’s Hospital



Elizabeth S. Munroe, MD, ATSF
University of Michigan



Gregory Sawicki MD, MPH, ATSF
Boston Children’s Hospital



Erica Courtenay-Mann
Patient Speaker,
Foundation of
Sarcoidosis Research

The following experts will also be available for Q&A in breakout rooms:

Alpha – 1 Antitrypsin Deficiency	Mark L. Brantly, MD
Alveolar Capillary Dysplasia	Vlad Kalinichenko, MD, PhD
Bronchiectasis/NTM Pneumonia	Shoshana Zha, MD, PhD
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)	David M. Mannino III, MD, FCCP, FERS
Cystic Fibrosis	Deepika Polineni, MD, MPH
Hermansky-Pudluk Syndrome (HPS)	Wilfredo De Jesus-Rojas, MD, FAAP, MSc, ATSF
Lung Transplant	Anil J. Trindade, MD
Primary Ciliary Dyskinesia (PCD)	Carlos Milla, MD
Pulmonary Alveolar Proteinosis (PAP)	Brenna Carey, MS, PhD; Bruce Trapnell, MD; Tisha Wang, MD, ATSF
Pulmonary Fibrosis (PF)	Jesse Roman, MD, ATSF
Pulmonary Hypertension (PH)	Nick Kolaitis, MD; Debbie Levine, MD; Sandeep Sahay, MD

Complimentary lunch will be provided for all attendees.

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For more information about the program, please contact Nusrat Aparna at naparna@thoracic.org.

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Sunday, May 18 – Tuesday, May 20
from 7 a.m. – 5 p.m. PT

Wednesday, May 21
from 7 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Networking Super Center: Hall D
(Moscone Convention Center,
South Building, Exhibition Level)

The learning studio was created as a professional development space for early career professionals (ECP: graduate students, medical students, residents, fellows, post docs, other allied healthcare and research professionals) and mid-careers in pulmonary, critical care or sleep medicine. The learning studio talks will be aimed at enhancing the professional development for all health care professionals. The studio talks are a unique and valuable opportunity for attendees to interact with experts and have questions answered.

For more information about sessions below visit:
<https://conference.thoracic.org/program/networking-super-center/>

Dates/Times	Sunday, May 18	Monday, May 19	Tuesday, May 20	Wednesday, May 21
7 - 8:00 a.m.	PRDS Ceremony	Professional Identity Formation: What is it and why does it matter for leaders and mentors? <i>Early - Mid Career Professional Talk</i>	Strategies for Career Success by Highly Effective Women Scientists <i>Early - Mid Career Professional Talk</i>	Challenges in chILD - Bridging Between Adult and Pediatric Lung Fibrosis <i>Science and Innovation Talk</i>
9 - 10:00 a.m.	Enhancing Educational Expertise in Pulmonary and Critical Care Through Virtual Reality and AI <i>Science and Innovation Talk</i>	Braving the Heat: Microaggressions in Medicine <i>Clinician Talk</i>	The Procedural Predicament: How Training Requirements Changes are Shifting Procedural Skills Training <i>Clinician Talk</i>	Mastering the Art of Negotiation: Unlocking Success for Early Career Professionals <i>Early - Mid Career Professional Talk</i>
10 - 11:00 a.m.	Breathe Easy: Pediatric Pulmonary Fellowship Training in the United States <i>Early - Mid Career Professional Talk</i>	So You Want to be a Division Head? <i>Early - Mid Career Professional Talk</i>	Innovating Pulmonary Medicine: The Convergence of Biology, AI, and Engineering <i>Science and Innovation Talk</i>	Navigating the Early Career: Expert Panel Discussion of Career Development, Mentoring, and Networking <i>Early - Mid Career Professional Talk</i>
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Beyond Star Trek, Star Wars, Stranger Things: Wearable sensors, Remote Biometrics, Drones/Satellites <i>Science and Innovation Talk</i>	AJRCCM, AJRCMB, AnnalsATS, ATS Scholar Combined Journal Talks Journal editors <i>Early - Mid Career Professional Talk</i>	From Eminence Based To Evidence Based: Randomized Controlled Trials in Advanced Diagnostic Bronchoscopy <i>Science and Innovation Talk</i>	Strategies for Effective Feedback on Bedside Procedures: Beyond See One, Do One, Teach One <i>Clinician Talk</i>
12 - 1:00 p.m.	Frameworks for the Future: Methodological Approaches to Long COVID Study Design <i>Science and Innovation Talk</i>	Integrating Advocacy in Academic Medicine and the Path to Promotion and Tenure <i>Early - Mid Career Professional Talk</i>	Strategies to Reduce Pulmonary and Critical Care Practice Emissions <i>Clinician Talk</i>	Innovating Respiratory Health Practices: Integrating a One Health Approach to Address Climate-Related Respiratory Risks <i>Science and Innovation Talk</i>
1 - 2:00 p.m.	Advancing in Academic Medicine: Navigating the Path to Promotion as a Clinician <i>Early - Mid Career Professional Talk</i>	In the Spotlight: ILD Management for Women <i>Clinician Talk</i>	Setting the Clock: Unveiling Developmental Mechanisms of Chronic Lung Diseases <i>Science and Innovation Talk</i>	 <div>Receptions/ Networking Events on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday</div> <div>PhD Reception Sunday, May 18, 3-5 p.m.</div> <div>TEACH Reception (SoMe) Monday, May 19, 4-5 p.m.</div> <div>IMG Reception Tuesday, May 20, 4-5 p.m.</div>
2 - 3:00 p.m.	Science & Innovation Working Group Awards <i>Science and Innovation Event</i>	Navigating Mid-Career Challenges in Academic Medicine <i>Early - Mid Career Professional Talk</i>	Race-Neutral Spirometry Equations for Children: Implications, Challenges, and Opportunities <i>Clinician Talk</i>	
3 - 4:00 p.m.	Revolutionizing Pulmonary Care: Interactive Data-Driven Strategies for Emerging Leaders <i>Clinician Talk</i>	I Got Lost on the Way to Orientation, and Other Tales of Starting a Lab <i>Early - Mid Career Professional Talk</i>	IMG Session <i>Early - Mid Career Professional Talk</i>	
4 - 5:00 p.m.	SpeakEasy: Everyone has a story to tell... Storytelling Series Dee Ford, MD	Storytelling Series Ognjen Gajic, M.D.	Storytelling Series Tyra Bryant-Stephens, MD	

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Sunday, May 18 – Tuesday, May 20

4 – 5 p.m.

**Networking Super Center: Hall D
(Moscone Convention Center,
South Building, Exhibition Level)**



Sunday Storyteller: Dee W. Ford, MD, MSCR, ATSF

Dr. Ford is a physician scientist and physician leader with expertise in health services research, health professional education, and quality improvement. She received her BS in biology from the University of South Carolina and her MD from the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. Dr. Ford completed her internal medicine residency training at the Johns Hopkins Hospital and her pulmonary/critical care fellowship training at the Medical University of South Carolina, where she also completed a Master's of Science in Clinical Research.

During her career, Dr. Ford has held numerous leadership positions and has developed a regional and national reputation as an outstanding researcher, mentor, and leader. She has maintained a track record of continuous extramural research funding from the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), and others, and currently serves as program director for MUSC's HRSA-Funded Telehealth Center of Excellence, one of only two National Telehealth Centers of Excellence in the country.



Monday Storyteller: Ognjen Gajic, M.D.

Dr. Gajic practices and teaches critical care medicine at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. He has published more than 450 peer-reviewed articles related to critical care medicine. He has served as the first chair of the Discovery Research Network of the Society of Critical Care Medicine. He pioneered the concepts of improving critical care and outcomes with intelligent ICU environments. Dr. Gajic and his team designed and implemented one of the largest international quality improvement programs in critical care: CERTAIN (Checklist for Early Recognition And Treatment of Acute Illness & iNjury) www.icertain.org. He has received continuous NIH funding for the past 20 years and has mentored a large number of diverse critical care clinicians at Mayo Clinic and beyond.



Tuesday Storyteller: Tyra Bryant-Stephens MD

Dr. Tyra Bryant-Stephens is a board-certified pediatrician in clinical primary care practice for over 35 years and Associate Professor of Pediatrics at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. In 1997 she founded the Community Asthma Prevention Program (CAPP) of Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP), an asthma program that implements asthma interventions in underserved, under-resourced inner-city communities. CAPP has made over 21,000 home-based asthma visits, educated thousands of caregivers in community education classes, provided site-based asthma trainings for hundreds of primary care providers and taught hundreds of children in school-based asthma classes. When CHOP launched its Center for Health Equity in 2021, Dr. Bryant-Stephens was chosen to lead the Center and now serves as AVP, Chief Health Equity Officer. The Center for Health Equity's vision is to discover, implement and disseminate evidence-based practices and policies so that every child in Philadelphia has equitable care and that every child in Philadelphia achieves their best health.



Speaker: Yolanda Mageto, MD, MPH, ATSF

Medical Director of Interstitial Lung Disease at
Baylor University Medical Center at Dallas

The annual ATS Women's Forum recognizes the achievements and supports the advancement of women in pulmonary, critical care, and sleep medicine and research. The forum provides a valuable opportunity for women to find value in the inspirational messages and career insights the speakers share. This year Yolanda Mageto, MD, MPH, ATSF will discuss their experiences during the forum. The Elizabeth A. Rich, MD Award, recognizing outstanding contributions to the advancement of women in pulmonary medicine, will be presented at this year's Women's Forum.

Dr. Mageto is a pulmonary critical care specialist with nationally recognized expertise in interstitial lung disease (ILD) and is currently the medical director of interstitial lung disease at Baylor University Medical Center at Dallas. Dr. Mageto attended medical school at Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri and completed her residency and training at University of Texas Southwestern and her fellowship in pulmonary and critical care medicine at the University of Washington in Seattle with a focus in ILD. Since that time, she has held faculty positions at the University of Washington Seattle, University of Texas Southwestern and most recently University of Vermont where she rose to the rank of full Professor. Dr. Mageto is a clinician, educator and researcher involved in multiple idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis/ILD trials over the last 20 years including collaborations with investigators from other centers in sarcoidosis related lung disease. She remains actively involved in the total care and management of her patients. Dr. Mageto is dedicated to the development of a comprehensive integrated interstitial lung disease program optimizing delivery of care to patients with interstitial lung disease in the Dallas-Fort Worth Area.

Dr. Mageto has actively contributed to the ATS in various leadership roles, including chairing the Membership and Planning and Evaluation Committees, serving on the Board of Directors, and participating in numerous other committees. With a pragmatic and inclusive leadership style, she has helped drive key initiatives to diversify the ATS, enhance member engagement, and strengthen its overall impact in the field of respiratory medicine.

The forum is organized and presented by the ATS Membership Committee.

ATS thanks United Therapeutics, Sanofi | Regeneron and Genentech, Inc. for their generous support of the Women's Forum.



Speaker: Terri Laguna, MD, MSCS, ATSF

Division Head of Pulmonary and Sleep Medicine and a Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Washington School of Medicine

The annual ATS Diversity Forum focuses on diversity within the fields of pulmonary, critical care, and sleep medicine and research. All ATS members are invited to attend this event to find inspiration and valuable career insights. This year's speaker is Terri Laguna, MD, MSCS, ATSF. Dr. Laguna is the division head of pulmonary and sleep medicine and a professor of pediatrics at the University of Washington School of Medicine. She is also affiliated with the Center for Respiratory Biology and Therapeutics at Seattle Children's Research Institute. Dr. Laguna is passionate about mentoring and sponsoring the next generation, particularly as a Latinx woman and member of the LGBTQIA+ community in academic medicine. She believes in the power of representation and strives to bring her authentic self to work every day, using her leadership platforms to advance diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives.

Dr. Laguna's academic journey began with an undergraduate degree in molecular and cellular Biology from the University of New Mexico, followed by an MD from the University of California, San Francisco. She completed her pediatric residency and chief residency at the University of Washington and Seattle Children's Hospital, and her pediatric pulmonology fellowship and a master's degree in Clinical Science at the University of Colorado. Her research focuses on early lung disease in cystic fibrosis (CF), with NIH R01 and Cystic Fibrosis Foundation (CFF) grants supporting her work on early infections in the CF airway and the role of anaerobic communities in lung disease development.

Recognized five times as an Outstanding Faculty Educator by pediatric residents and a recipient of the Underrepresented Trainee Development Scholarships (UTDS), Dr. Laguna is also a national mentor for the CFF and serves on NIH and CFF grant review study sections. She is deeply involved in diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives at various levels and has been active in professional societies such as the American Thoracic Society, where she has held leadership roles.

The Underrepresented Trainee Development Scholarships (UTDS), which recognize trainees who are members of underrepresented minority groups will be presented at this forum. UTDS recipients are selected for the quality of the science in their submitted abstract, among other criteria. The 2025 ATS Fellowship in Health Equity and Diversity recipient will also be presented during the forum. These fellowships are designed to support the efforts of senior fellows, post-doctoral trainees, or junior faculty with research, clinical, educational, and/or policy endeavors to advance health equity for patients with respiratory disease, critical care illness or injury, and sleep disordered breathing. The Diversity Forum is jointly organized and presented by the ATS Health Equity Diversity Committee and Membership Committee. A representative from the ATS Membership committee and ATS Health Equity Diversity Committee's Vice Chair Stephanie Lovinsky-Desir, MD, MS will host the event. The Underrepresented Trainee Development Scholarships are supported by the American Thoracic Society.

ATS thanks Johnson & Johnson and Genentech, Inc. for their generous support of the Diversity Forum.

Respiratory Health Awards



The Respiratory Health Awards recognize outstanding contributions and achievements in pulmonary disease, critical care, and sleep health. For all awards, there is a special emphasis on efforts that have the potential to eliminate health disparities.

The Awards Committee is committed to equity and seeks a diverse group of nominees, inclusive of all genders, ethnicities, and disciplines.

For more information on these awards visit: thoracic.org/professionals/respiratory-health-awards/ All Respiratory Health Awards will be given in the San Francisco Convention Center.

Opening Ceremony

Saturday, May 17, 2025 4:30-5:30

Esplanade Ballroom (Upper Mezzanine, South Building)



Scott D. Halpern MD, PhD

J Randall Curtis Humanism Award
For individuals whose work reflects the ideals espoused by Dr. Curtis throughout his career of compassion, humanism and mentorship.



Susan S. Jacobs RN, MS

Public Service Award
For contributions to public and population health equity.



Refiloe Masekela MD, PhD

World Lung Health
For contributions to improving world lung health with a special emphasis on efforts that have the potential to eliminate gender, racial, ethnic, or economic health disparities worldwide.



James P Kiley MS, PhD

Respiratory Health Lifetime Achievement Award

Opening Ceremony & Respiratory Health Awards Ceremony

Saturday & Sunday May 17 & 18 4:30- 5:30 p.m. Esplanade Ballroom (Upper Mezzanine, South Building)



Susan Redline MD, MPH

Edward Livingston Trudeau Medal
The highest honor bestowed by the ATS and is given in honor of Edward Livingston Trudeau.



Juan C. Celedon MD, DrPH, ATSF

J. Burns Amberson Lecture
A Nosy Look Into Asthma Disparities
For major contributions to clinical or basic research that have advanced our fundamental understanding of the basic, translational, or clinical approaches to respiratory disease, critical illness, or sleep disorders.

Respiratory Health Awards Ceremony

Sunday, May 18, 2025 4:30-5:30 Esplanade Ballroom (Upper Mezzanine, South Building)

Distinguished Achievement

Awardees have made substantial contributions to prevention, diagnosis and treatment of lung disease, critical illness, or sleep disorders through leadership in research, education, or clinical care.



Lynn M. Schnapp MD, ATSF

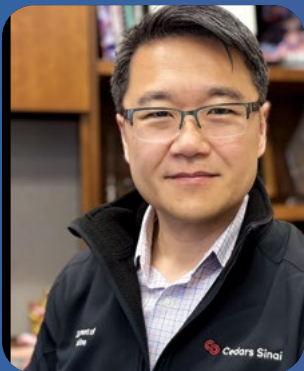


Anne-Karina T. Perl MSci, PhD, ATSF

Recognition Awards for Scientific Accomplishments

Monday, May 19, 2025 2:15-3:45 p.m. Moscone Convention Center Room 304 (Level 3, South Building)

For outstanding scientific research contributions in basic or clinical arenas to enhance the understanding, prevention and treatment of respiratory disease, critical illness, or sleep disorders and recognizes exemplary professionalism, collegiality and citizenship through mentorship and scientific involvement in the ATS community



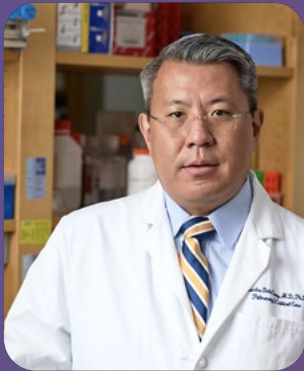
Peter Chen MD

Lessons Learned to Survive the Next Viral Pandemic



Anne I. Sperling PhD, ATSF

From Asthma to Pulmonary Fibrosis: A Journey in Lung Immunology



Charles S. Dela Cruz MD, PhD, ATSF

Nature's Blueprint: Harnessing the Body's Wisdom to Overcome Lung Infections



Jason D. Christie MD, MS, ATSF

Clinical Translational Studies of Lung Injury in Transplant and Critical Illness

Plenary Session

Tuesday, May 20, 2025 11:45-1:00 p.m.

Esplanade Ballroom (Upper Mezzanine, South Building)



Michael O. Harhay PhD, MPH

Jo Rae Wright Award for Outstanding Science
For demonstrated potential for significant achievement and contribution, aimed at the rising generation of individuals who will be tomorrow's leaders in science.



Sandeep Sahay MD, ATSF

Outstanding Clinician Award
For substantial contributions in the clinical care of patients with lung disease on a local or national level. The nominee must be a pulmonary, critical care or sleep clinician who spends 75% or more of their time providing direct patient care.



Jess Mandel MD, ATSF

Outstanding Educator Award
For outstanding achievements and excellence in clinical or research education and mentoring in the fields of pulmonary, critical care or sleep medicine.



Bastiaan Driehuys PhD

Research Innovation and Translation Achievement
For outstanding scientific research contributions in basic or clinical arenas to enhance the understanding, prevention and treatment of respiratory disease, critical illness, or sleep disorders and recognizes exemplary professionalism, collegiality and citizenship through mentorship and scientific involvement in the ATS community

International Participants Center

Sunday, May 19 –Tuesday, May 21, 9 a.m.- 5 p.m. + Special events Saturday, May 17
Learn about crucial issues in global health from experts from around the world!

Saturday, May 17 Time: 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.	ATS International Scholars Poster Colloquium and Discussion	The ATS International Scholars Poster Colloquium is a prestigious platform showcasing the groundbreaking research of exceptional trainees worldwide. These scholars, recipients of the highly competitive International Trainee Scholarship, have demonstrated outstanding research potential through their innovative and impactful abstract submissions. This unique opportunity allows them to present their work to a global audience of leading researchers and clinicians, fostering collaboration and advancing the field of respiratory medicine.
Saturday, May 17 Time: 2 - 4 p.m.	Respiratory Society of Americas 2025 Session <i>Vaping: Respiratory Impacts and Public Health Challenges in the Americas</i> This session aims to address the critical public health issue of vaping by bringing together leading experts from across the Americas. By including representatives from key organizations like the American Thoracic Society (ATS), the American College of Chest Physicians (CHEST), the Canadian Thoracic Society (CTS), the Brazilian Thoracic Society (BTS), and the Latin American Thoracic Association (ALAT), the session will provide a comprehensive overview of vaping’s respiratory impacts, public health challenges, and policy implications. A key focus will be on the impact of vaping on youth and vulnerable populations, while also exploring regional perspectives and effective policy interventions. This multi-faceted approach will inform evidence-based policies and public health interventions to address the vaping epidemic effectively and protect public health across the Americas.	<p>Chair: Juan C. Celedón, MD, DrPH, ATSf Co-Chair: Erika Penz, MD, MSc, FRCPC</p> <p>2:05 – 2:25 pm Presentation 1: CHEST Perspective Speaker: Hasmeena Kathuria, MD, ATSf Topic: Overview of Vaping and Its Respiratory Impacts Based on Recent Findings and Clinical Observations</p> <p>2:25 – 2:45 pm Presentation 2: ATS Perspective Speaker: Laura Crotty Alexander, MD, ATSf (UCSD) Topic: Insights on Vaping’s Public Health Challenges, Particularly Focusing on Youth and Vulnerable Populations</p> <p>2:45 – 3:05 pm Presentation 3: Canadian Thoracic Society Insight Speaker: Erika Penz, MD, MSc, FRCPC (University of Saskatchewan) Topic: Vaping’s Impact on Respiratory Health Within Canadian Contexts and Policy Implications</p> <p>3:05 – 3:25 pm Presentation 4: ALAT Perspective Speaker: Adrián Rendon, MD, PhD (Autonomous University of Nuevo León) Topic: Research Findings on Vaping and Respiratory Conditions in Latin America, Including Prevention and Treatment Strategies</p> <p>3:25 – 3:45 pm Presentation 5: SBPT Perspective Speaker: Maria Enedina Scurcialupi, MD Topic: The Brazilian Perspective on Vaping Trends and Its Impact on Respiratory Health and Public Health Measures</p> <p>3:45 – 4:00 pm Panel Discussion and Q&A Moderated panel discussion with all speakers Open floor for questions from attendees Summary of key points and closing remarks</p>
Sunday May 19 11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.	Using Online Tools to Enhance Global Pediatric Pulmonology Research Capacity Key Aspects: Impact of Mentoring and Online Training In Pediatric Pulmonology Research. Scientific Methodology Training for Early Career Researchers. Role of Mentoring In Career Development.	<p>Chairs: Laura Gochicoa Rangel, MD; Ozge Yilmaz, MD, ATSf</p> <p>Speakers & Talks:</p> <p>Enrico Lombardi, MD, ATSf: Benefits and Experiences of Online vs. In-Person Training.</p> <p>Ozge Yilmaz, MD, ATSf: Mentoring in Research Methodology Training.</p> <p>Refiloe Masekela, MD, PhD: Personalized Career Development for Mentees.</p>
Sunday May 19 1:15 -2:15 p.m.	Dissecting Health Issues in an LMIC: the Tale of Three Diseases Key Aspects: Health Challenges In the Philippines Focusing On Copd, Tuberculosis, and Tobacco Control. Tailored Approaches for LMIC Health Complexities.	<p>Chairs & Speakers:</p> <p>Ma. Encarnita Blanco-Limpin, MD, FPCCP (Chair), Imelda Muriel-Mateo, MD, FPCCP: Tobacco Regulation</p> <p>Lenora C. Fernandez, , MD, FPCCP (Chair), Tim S. Trinidad MD, FPCCP: Unique Filipino COPD Sufferer</p> <p>Elizabeth Cadena, MD (Chair), Erlina Burhan, MD, PhD: Western Pacific Regional Framework to End TB</p>
Monday May 20 11:15 a.m.- 12:15 p.m.	¡Buenos días ATS! Lung Cancer Screening in Europe and Latin America Key Aspects: Current State and Challenges of Lung Cancer Screening in Europe and Latin America.	<p>Chair: Borja Cosío, MD</p> <p>Speakers & Talks:</p> <p>Luis M Seijo, MD, PhD: Lung Cancer Screening in Spain and Europe.</p> <p>Lucía Viola, MD: Screening Initiatives in Latin America.</p> <p>Iris Boyeras, MD: Argentinian Registry of Lung Cancer Screening.</p>
Monday, May 20 1:15 - 2:15 p.m.	Stop TB Session: There’s Nothing Latent About Latent TB Key Aspects: Global Impact of Tuberculosis and Latent TB. Host Factors and Subclinical TB’s Role In Transmission.	<p>Chairs: Sundari Mase, MD, MPH; Margareth Dalcolmo , MD, PhD</p> <p>Speakers & Talks:</p> <p>David Lewinsohn , MD, PhD: Host Factors in TB.</p> <p>Amee Patrawalla, MD MPH: Identifying and Treating High-Risk Latent TB.</p> <p>Sundari Mase, MD, MPH: Dive Into the Concept of Subclinical TB.</p>
Tuesday, May 21 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.	Respiratory Medical Devices in LMICs Key Aspects: Shortage of Respiratory Medical Devices in LMICs. Open-Source Approaches for Medical Device Provision.	<p>Chairs: Refiloe Masekela, MD, PhD; Rosaura Benítez-Perez</p> <p>Speakers & Talks:</p> <p>Anh-Tuan Dinh Xuan, MD, PhD: Non-Invasive Ventilation Devices in LMICs.</p> <p>Laura Gochicoa-Rangel, MD: Pulmonary Function Test Labs in LMICs.</p> <p>Ramon Farré, PhD, ATSf: Open-Source Hardware for Respiratory Devices.</p>
Tuesday May 21 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.	The New Face of Cystic Fibrosis Key Aspects: Global Diversity in Cystic Fibrosis Cases. CF Care and Diagnosis in Lmics.	<p>Chair: Samya Nasr, MD, ATSf</p> <p>Speakers & Talks:</p> <p>Samya Nasr, MD, ATSf: CF in Egypt.</p> <p>Bulent Karadag, MD: Quality Improvement in Turkish CF care.</p> <p>Hector Gutierrez, MD: CF Care in Latin America.</p> <p>Grace Paul, MD: CF Diagnosis and Treatment in India.</p>



Related Events:

[Networking Exchange](#)

[Assembly Meetings](#)

1. There are so many sessions; where do I begin?

The Early Career Road Map is a great place to start! It highlights sessions likely to be of interest to early career members in adult and pediatric pulmonary, critical care, and sleep medicine or allergy. Also, check out the ATS App and filter sessions by your disease areas of interest or based on your career path (e.g. clinician, basic and translational scientist, physician scientist, or clinician educator). The Clinical Year in Review is a great resource for trainees—be sure to download via ATS APP before you attend!

2. There are so many people! How do I meet potential mentors, friends, and colleagues?

Networking is such a great opportunity at the ATS conference! Don't limit yourself to people you know and aim to network in both one-on-one and group settings. For one-on-one meetings, be sure to reach out via email beforehand to schedule. Many ATS members set aside time during the conference to meet with early career professionals! Also, there are several opportunities to meet peers at all stages of their career, including the Networking Exchange, Assembly Networking events, Networking Super Center, Diversity Forum, and the Women's Forum. Be sure to also check out the Assemblies for networking events.

3. How can I get involved in the International Conference?

For Conference programming, each assembly is allotted a specific number of slots for each type of session. The Program Committee for each assembly ranks various submissions. Have an idea for a session for next year's conference? Networking events and assembly meetings are great places to begin conversations. You can then submit your suggestions to the appropriate assembly during the call for input period which takes place immediately after the conference.

4. How can I prioritize wellness during the conference?

Since the conference spans a fair amount of physical distance and time, make sure to prioritize your comfort. Wear walkable shoes and comfortable clothing with layers (the convention centers can often be cool despite how warm it is outside!) Carry a small refillable bottle of water and use water stations throughout the conference area. Lactation rooms, mobility assistance, and accessibility-related features are available—reach out to an ATS staff member (cmcgrath@thoracic.org) or ask at the registration desk for more information. Make plans to meet up with old and new friends! Check out the city and the local food scene!

5. How can I access CME?

The ATS is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The designation of AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ per session will be available within the conference program. Physicians should only claim the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity. This live activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of ACCME and is free from the control of ineligible companies. The ATS is unable to offer AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ per sessions that include presentations made by industry-employed speakers if the topic of their presentation relates to a product or business line of their employer. Major symposia, postgraduate courses, core curriculum, meet the expert and keynote series are eligible for AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Instructions on how to claim your CME credits will be available within the conference app and on the conference website.



Related Events:

[Assembly Membership Meetings](#)

6. How does the ATS work?

The day-to-day functions of the ATS relies on a dedicated staff of more than 90 employees, who work in offices in New York and Washington, D.C. The Society's leadership is represented by an Executive Committee comprised of the executive director and five elected officers that rotate. For more info: <https://www.thoracic.org/about/governance/leadership.php>

7. Why should I get involved in the ATS?

As an ATS member, you can have a direct impact on pulmonary, critical care, and sleep medicine both nationally and internationally. Active members help the Society to develop statements and guidelines, create new educational programs, prioritize content for existing activities, and guide the political voice of the ATS.

ATS leaders are actively soliciting the voice of early career members, so the best time to get involved is NOW! Click here or visit: [Click here or visit: https://www.thoracic.org/members/assemblies/get-involved-with-ats.php](https://www.thoracic.org/members/assemblies/get-involved-with-ats.php)

8. What are Assemblies, Sections and Committees?

The ATS is organized into 14 Assemblies and 3 Sections. Through these, ATS members review, analyze and disseminate science, organize advocacy efforts, promote networking, and plan conference and non-conference programming. To learn more about Assemblies and Sections please go to <http://www.thoracic.org/members/assemblies/>

Committees are appointed groups of professionals with shared interests that

shape and carry out the ATS's many activities. Committee members are selected annually via a nomination process in the months preceding each International Conference. To learn more about committees and how to get involved please go to <https://www.thoracic.org/members/committees/>

9. How can I be involved in the ATS, even after the Conference?

Reach out to committee chairs and fill out the [Get Involved! form](#), nominate yourself (or a colleague) for committees, submit programming ideas during the Call for Input, sign up for the Assembly specific mentoring programs that are offered annually, subscribe to ATS email updates, and follow [@atscommunity](#), and [@atsearlycareer](#) on Twitter/X and [@atscommunity.bsky.social](#) on Bluesky to keep up with webinars and other opportunities that may be of interest. Attending events hosted by your local ATS chapter can also be a great way to get involved. A list of local chapters can be found at <https://site.thoracic.org/membership/chapters/chapter-list>.

10. What is the Public Advisory Roundtable (PAR) ?

In February 2001, former ATS president William J. Martin, II, MD, founded ATS PAR, the arm of the ATS that incorporates patient and family perspectives into the Society's activities. Today, ATS PAR comprises 15 member organizations that represent patients affected by respiratory diseases, critical illnesses, and sleep-related conditions. The group collaborates with the ATS to advance their shared educational, research, patient care and advocacy missions. To learn more please go to <http://www.thoracic.org/patients/par/index.php>.