



**2nd Annual
Lyme Aware
Delaware
CONFERENCE**

Friday, October 17, 2025
8:00 AM – 4:30 PM
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Morning Agenda[†]

Time	Topic	Speaker
8:00 - 8:30	Log-In	
OPENING		
8:30 - 8:35	Conference Opening Remarks	Judy Landis Setting, BSN, RN (Inactive), CCRA, Delaware's Lyme Disease Education Oversight Board (LDEOB) Chair
8:35 - 8:40	Welcome	David A. Tam, MD, FACHE, President & CEO, Beebe Healthcare
DELAWARE TICKBORNE ILLNESSES LEGISLATION & UPDATES		
8:40 - 8:50	Delaware Lyme Legislation	The Honorable Kyle Evans Gay, Lieutenant Governor of Delaware
8:50 - 9:05	Delaware Tick Program Updates	Ashley C. Kennedy, PhD, BCE, Delaware State Tick Biologist, Delaware DNREC Division of Fish and Wildlife, LDEOB Member
9:05 - 9:10	DPH Vector-Borne Disease Updates & Mandatory Reporting	Antonio Alvarado, MS, Delaware Department of Public Health, Vector-Borne Disease Epidemiologist, One Health Program
LYME DISEASE		
9:10 - 9:50	Lyme Disease and Post-Treatment Illness	John Aucott, MD, Director, Johns Hopkins Lyme Disease Clinical Research Center, Associate Professor of Medicine, Johns Hopkins School of Medicine; Former Chairman of the Federal Tick-Borne Disease Working Group
9:50 - 10:30	Unraveling the Immunopathology of Infection-Associated Chronic Illnesses: Sex Differences and Predictive Diagnostics	Michal "Mikki" Caspi Tal, PhD, Principal Scientist, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Department of Biological Engineering and Tal Research Group; Associate Scientific Director, MIT Center for Gynepathology Research
10:30 - 10:35	Break	
10:35 - 11:15	Neuropsychiatric Aspects of Tick-Borne Illness: Impact and Treatment	Brian A. Fallon, MD, MPH, Director, Lyme & Tick-Borne Diseases Research Center, Director, Center for Neuroinflammatory Disorders & Biobehavioral Medicine, Professor of Clinical Psychiatry, Columbia University Irving Medical Center
11:15 - 11:55	Lyme Disease Treatment	Neil G. Relloso, MD, Pediatric Infectious Disease Specialist, Nemours Children's Hospital, LDEOB Member & Elizabeth Maloney, MD, Education Director, VectorWise CME, Former Member of the Federal Tick-Borne Disease Working Group

Speakers


 Antonio Alvarado, MS
DE Public Health


 Choukri Ben Mamoun, PhD
Yale Medicine


 Monica Embers, PhD
Tulane Medicine


 Lt. Gov. Kyle Evans Gay
State of Delaware


 Elizabeth Maloney, MD
VectorWise CME


 Neil Relloso, MD
Nemours Children's Hosp.
Infectious Disease


 David Tam, MD
President & CEO
Beebe Healthcare


 John Aucott, MD
Johns Hopkins Medicine


 Michael Buoni, PhD
Delaware Tech


 Scott Commings, MD, PhD
UNC Medicine


 Brian Fallon, MD, MPH
Columbia Univ. Medical Ctr.


 Comm. Trinidad Navarro
DE Insur. Commissioner


 David Sullivan Jr., MD
Johns Hopkins
Infectious Disease



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Afternoon Agenda[†]

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BABESIOSIS		
11:55 - 12:35	Therapeutic Strategies Targeting <i>Babesia</i> Adaptation and Survival Mechanisms	Choukri Ben Mamoun, PhD , John F. Enders Professor of Medicine (Infectious Diseases) and of Microbial Pathogenesis and Pathology, Yale School of Medicine
12:35 - 1:10	Break	
1:10 - 1:20	Afternoon Welcome	The Honorable Trinidad Navarro , Insurance Commissioner of Delaware
1:20 - 1:35	<i>Babesia</i> in the Mid-Atlantic Region & DE Tick Testing Program	Michael H. Buoni, PhD , Instructor of Genetics, Microbiology and Molecular Biology, Delaware Technical Community College
1:35 - 2:15	Curative Pharmacokinetics and Pharmacodynamics in the <i>Babesia microti</i> Immunocompromised Mouse Model: Bench to Clinic	David J. Sullivan Jr., MD , Professor, Infectious Diseases Physician, Malariologist, Department of Molecular Microbiology & Immunology, Johns Hopkins Malaria Research Institute, Center for Global Health, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health
OTHER TICKBORNE ILLNESSES		
2:15 - 2:55	Combination Therapy for <i>Borrelia</i> and <i>Bartonella</i> Infections	Monica E. Embers, PhD , Professor and Director of Vector-Borne Disease Research; Head, Education and Training Program, Tulane National Primate Research Center, Tulane University School of Medicine
2:55 - 3:00	Break	
3:00 - 3:40	A Review of Diagnostic Testing for Lyme Disease	Elizabeth L. Maloney, MD , Education Director, VectorWise CME, Former Member of the Federal Tick-Borne Disease Working Group
3:40 - 4:20	A Tick Bite Can Make Me Allergic to Red Meat!? What You Need to Know About Alpha-Gal Syndrome	Scott P. Commins, MD, PhD , William J. Yount Distinguished Professor of Medicine, University of North Carolina School of Medicine; Associate Chief for Allergy & Immunology; Medical Director, UNC Allergy and Immunology Clinic at Eastowne
CLOSING		
4:20 - 4:25	Evaluations & CME Information	Lori Maramante, EdD , LDEOB Vice Chair & Mary Landon Green , Director, Marketing & Communications, Beebe Healthcare
4:25 - 4:30	Gratitude & Closing	Lori Maramante, EdD , LDEOB Vice Chair