

Travel Scholarships for Preconference Workshops

The Association of Public Health Laboratories (APHL) is proud to announce a limited number of travel scholarships to support attendance at five preconference workshops prior to APHL's infectious disease laboratory conference, ID Lab Con 2025. *APHL will also be providing a small number of travel scholarships for individuals that submit an abstract on either Environmental Microbiology or Wastewater Surveillance.*

Eligibility: Individuals who are planning to attend ID Lab Con 2025 and are interested in attending one of the preconference workshops are eligible to apply. *Individuals submitting an abstract on environmental microbiology or wastewater surveillance are eligible to apply.*

Travel scholarships will cover: the cost of transportation to and from Pasadena, CA, lodging for the duration of ID Lab Con and conference registration.



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Application Process

Deadline: November 1, 2024

Awardee notification: November 29, 2024

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Due to the limited number of scholarships, preference will be given to the following attendees:

- Attendees working in positions that deal directly with the workshop topic
- Attendees presenting posters at the conference
- Attendees presenting an oral presentation at the conference
- Attendees from organizations planning to implement new testing technologies or approaches related to these workshops

APHL will provide additional instructions on how to make travel arrangements and register for the preconference workshops and the conference after awardees are announced.

At this time APHL plans to select around 35 scholarship recipients, but if more funding becomes available, we will select additional applicants from this pool.

If you have any questions about completing the application, please contact Ashton Blair at

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About ID LAB CON

ID Lab Con is a biennial forum to address the latest developments in the detection and characterization of infectious diseases of public health concern. Public health laboratory professionals, clinical laboratorians, epidemiologists, leading researchers and diagnostics developers will come together at ID Lab Con to share their latest findings, technologies and developments.

Preconference Workshops

March 24, 2025 | Pasadena Convention Center

Duration: approximately 6 hours

The Power to Resist: Labs vs. Antimicrobial Resistance

In this workshop participants will explore the latest diagnostic tools, techniques for accurate pathogen identification and the role of antimicrobial susceptibility testing in stopping the spread of AR, through case studies, interactive sessions and expert presentations.

Next Steps for Next Generation Sequencing (NGS)

Since NGS has become more widely adopted, this workshop is offered to examine the current trends and considerations for NGS in infectious disease detection and surveillance, and how to utilize and apply sequencing data. This workshop will touch on topics such as metagenomics, clinical sequencing and genomic epidemiology.

Assuring Regulatory Compliance in an Era of Change

Adhering to regulatory requirements and assuring quality are paramount functions of a diagnostic laboratory. This workshop will explore recent and forthcoming regulatory changes that impact diagnostic testing laboratories, including the FDA LDT Rule, and provide useful insights on how to navigate those changes.

Ensuring Quality, Safety and Efficiency in the Tuberculosis Laboratory

This workshop is designed to enhance tuberculosis laboratory supervisors' skills in managing and optimizing lab operations. Participants will gain insights into workforce development strategies and explore technical issues such as the utility of Next-Generation Sequencing technologies. The course will offer essential biosafety and quality assurance practices and provide guidance on making critical decisions regarding testing procedures.

Diagnostic Approaches to Emerging Infectious Diseases

This workshop will focus on approaches to test selection and interpretation as well as building and maintaining testing capacity for infectious diseases that are emerging and reemerging in the United States. Pathogens covered will include vector-borne diseases, parasitic and fungal infections and re-emerging vaccine preventable diseases.

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