

# Valley Fever Symposium

Presented by the  
Los Angeles County Department of Public Health  
and Kaiser Permanente Antelope Valley Medical Offices

**Date:** Saturday- May 12, 2018 (9AM-3PM)

**Location:** Kaiser Permanente Antelope Valley Medical Offices, 615 W Ave L, Lancaster CA 93534; 1<sup>st</sup> floor; Conference Room A-14

**Target Audience:** This activity is applicable for Los Angeles County Physicians, especially those practicing in endemic areas, i.e. Antelope Valley. Other groups who are encouraged to participate include Nurses, Epidemiologists, Respiratory Therapists and Health Educators/Community Health Workers.

**Course Description:** Up-to-date facts and stats on Valley Fever (Coccidioidomycosis or cocci), provided by physicians active in the diagnosis and treatments of this reportable disease. A veterinarian will also present about cocci in animals. Questions and answers to follow presentations.

**Educational Credit:** This live activity has been approved for **4 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™**

**Cost:** Free- Breakfast and lunch will be provided by Kaiser Permanente

**Educational Objectives:** At the conclusion of the lecture, participants will be able to:

1. Identify the surveillance methods of LAC DPH for reporting coccidioidomycosis cases.
2. Recognize the clinical presentation of pulmonary coccidioidomycosis and/or associated findings of "disseminated" infection.
3. Confirm the diagnosis with proper testing including cultures, serology and antigen detection.
4. Identify appropriate therapy based on the patient's clinical presentation.
5. Identify high risk work-related activities associated with occupational coccidioidomycosis.
6. Describe the symptoms of Valley Fever in pets.

**Parking:** There is no charge for parking in the Center's parking lot.

**Registration:** Register here: <https://valleyfeversymposium.eventbrite.com>  
(Password: valleyfever) \*seats are limited

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## Agenda

9:00-10:00AM	<b>Registration and Networking</b> Breakfast Provided, Welcome and Introduction  Moderator: Jonathan Hien Truong, MD Kaiser Antelope Valley, Assistant Area Medical Director Chief, Dept. of Infectious Disease
10:00-11:00AM Morning Session	<b>Epidemiology and Surveillance Topic: Valley Fever Overview: What We Know and Don't Know</b> Dawn Terashita, MD, MPH Acute Communicable Disease Control Program Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (LAC DPH)
11:00AM-12:00PM	<b>Clinical Topic: Coccidioidomycosis, "Valley Fever" Update—2018</b> <b>Clinical presentation, diagnosis, and treatment</b> Glenn Mathisen, MD Olive View- UCLA Medical Center
12:00-1:00PM	Lunch provided by hosting facility
1:00-2:00PM Afternoon Session	<b>Occupational Health Topic: Dust in the Wind: An Occupational Medicine Perspective on Coccidioidomycosis</b> Taha M. Ahmad, MD, MPH Kaiser Permanente Panorama City
2:00-3:00PM	<b>Veterinary Topic: Coccidioidomycosis in Animals</b> Emily Beeler, DVM, MPH Veterinary Public Health, LAC DPH

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**Physicians:** The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health is accredited by the Institute for Medical Quality/California Medical Association (IMQ/CMA) to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health takes responsibility for the content, quality and scientific integrity of this CME activity.

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health designates this live activity for a maximum of [4] *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™*. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

**Nurses:** Nurses receive a Certificate of attendance. This activity is designated for [4] *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™*. According to the California Board of Registered Nursing, the Continuing Medical Education is acceptable for meeting RN continuing education requirements, as long as the course is Category 1, and has been taken within the appropriate time frames.

\*This program is also statutorily approved to provide 4 hours of CE to veterinarians and registered veterinary technicians.