



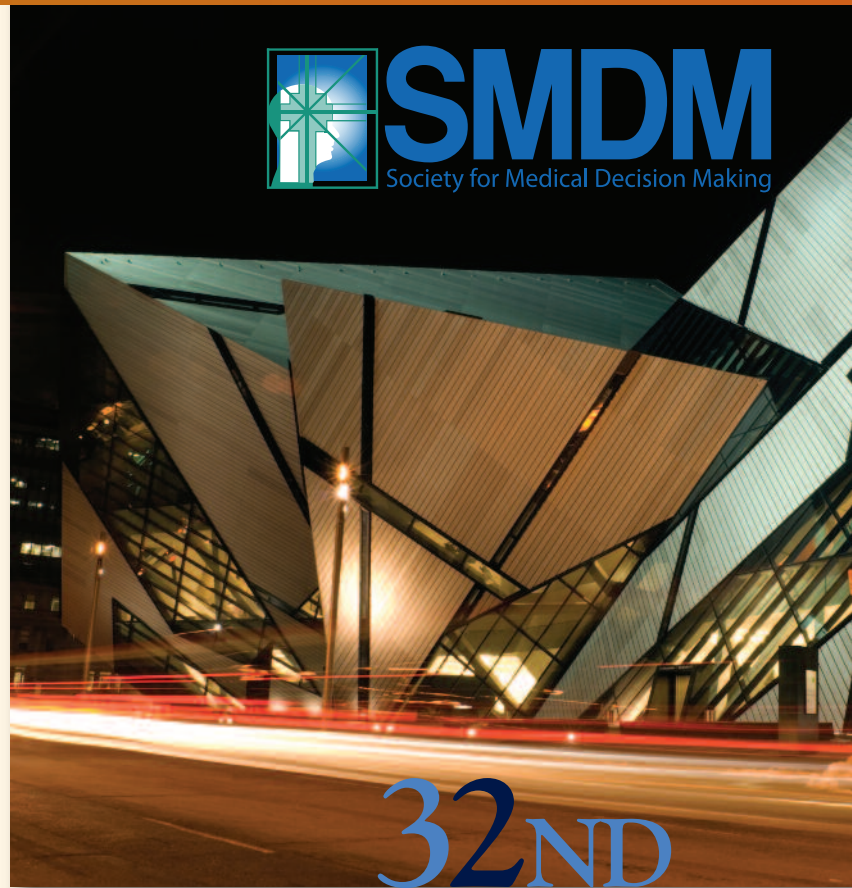
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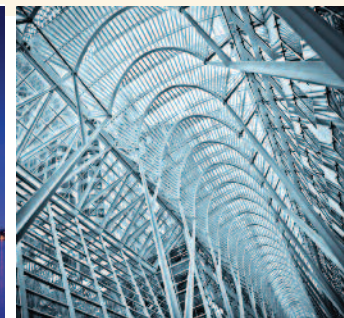
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**32<sup>ND</sup>**  
ANNUAL MEETING

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THE FUTURE OF  
HEALTH TECHNOLOGY  
ASSESSMENT

**2010**  
OCTOBER 24-27



The **Society for Medical Decision Making's mission** is to improve health outcomes through the advancement of proactive systematic approaches to clinical decision making and policy-formation in health care by providing a scholarly forum that connects and educates researchers, providers, policy-makers, and the public.

The 32nd SMDM Annual Meeting promises to be a forum where researchers will present and discuss innovative and challenging science related to all aspects of medical decision making. The range of work ranges from health technology assessments to theories of shared decision making; from applied cost-effectiveness analyses to studies of cognitive psychology and much more. Researchers will present their findings in scientific presentations, keynote talks, special symposia and short courses. Past attendees have described the meeting as the premier scientific venue for the presentation of the science of decision making in health and medicine from multiple disciplines.

The Annual Meeting will be held October 24 - 27, 2010 at the Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. The meeting's theme is "Evidence, Economics, and Ethics: The Future of Health Technology Assessment". The theme focuses on the challenges in making decisions about health technologies at both aggregate and individual levels and from different disciplines and paradigms. Meeting attendees will participate in discussions with society members who are international leaders in integrating these different perspectives and translating scientific knowledge into health-related clinical and policy decisions.

The Scientific Program will consist of more than 300 oral and poster presentations of original research from all decision sciences addressing theories and concepts, methods, and applications. The presentations' topics include decision analysis, meta-analysis, statistical modeling, cognitive psychology, shared decision making, quality of life and health outcomes assessment, economic analysis, medical informatics and more. For information on the call for abstracts please see the next page.

Building upon last year's interest in the intersection of diagnostic errors and decision making sciences, the **Diagnostic Errors in Medicine (DEM) Annual Meeting** will co-locate with the SMDM Meeting. Joint sessions are planned, as well as package pricing for those registering to attend both meetings.

The Society for Medical Decision Making gratefully acknowledges the following organizations for their support: **Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)** and **The National Cancer Institute (NIH)**.

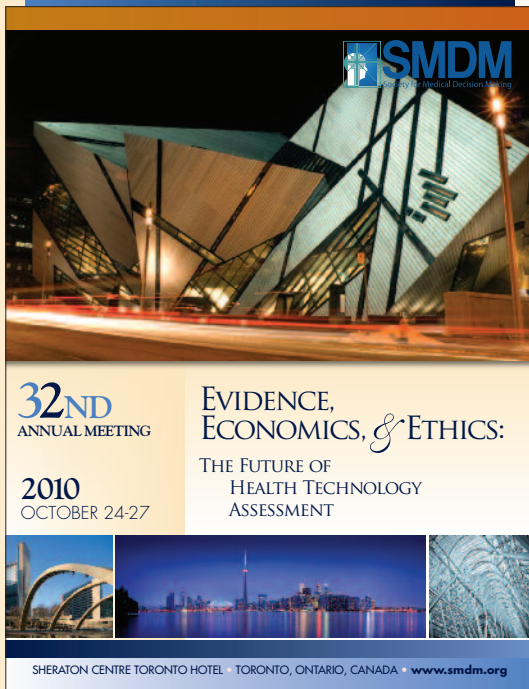
We look forward to seeing you at this year's dynamic and exciting meeting!

Meeting Co-Chairs: **Ahmed Bayoumi** and **Murray Krahn**

Scientific Review Co-Chairs: **Anirban Basu**, **Elena Elkin** and **Jeremy Goldhaber-Fiebert**

Symposium Co-Chairs: **Elbert Huang** and **Seema Sonnad**

Short Course Co-Chairs: **Ken Smith** and **Greg Zaric**



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## Call for SHORT COURSE PROPOSALS

The Society for Medical Decision Making is soliciting proposals for short courses to be held on Sunday, October 24, 2010, prior to the Annual Meeting.

**What are Short Courses?** Short courses are held the day before the annual meeting and in the past we have offered as many as 5 full day courses, 5 to 8 morning courses and 5 to 8 afternoon courses. Short Courses offer a great opportunity to learn something new from leaders in the field. Whether you're new to the field of medical decision making and attending your first meeting, or one of our Emeriti members, there is a short course for you. It is always a great way to start the meeting and to broaden your knowledge base.

- **If you are interested in submitting a short course abstract** for consideration please visit the SMDM Annual Meeting web page and follow the web link.

Short Course submissions will be accepted from **Monday, February 1, 2010 through Friday, June 4, 2010.**

All submissions will be reviewed by the short course chairs and **notifications will be sent out by Friday, July 30, 2010.**

If you have any questions regarding your submission please contact the SMDM office at [info@smdm.org](mailto:info@smdm.org)

- If you are **not interested in presenting but would like to suggest topics / courses** that you would like to see offered please submit your suggestions on the SMDM Annual Meeting web page and follow the web link, <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/BNZQ5Q7>

## Call for ORAL & POSTER ABSTRACTS

The Society for Medical Decision Making is soliciting proposals for Oral and Poster Abstracts to be presented at the Annual Meeting being held Sunday, October 24, 2010 through Wednesday, October 27, 2010.

Oral sessions are scheduled in 10-15 minute presentation blocks and grouped in categories that are listed below. The five top rated oral abstracts will be presented on Monday as the opening session. The annual meeting offers on average 75 oral presentations generally divided into 6 presentations per session.

Poster sessions allow attendees to delve into and discuss the specifics of an abstract with the author in a one-on-one or small group setting. The annual meeting offers on average 186 total poster abstracts with approximately 40 - 50 posters presented at each session.

All accepted oral and poster abstracts will be published online in *Medical Decision Making*, SMDM's peer-reviewed scientific journal.

- **To submit Oral and Poster Abstracts please visit the SMDM Annual Meeting web page and follow the web link.**

Submissions will be accepted **starting Monday, February 1, 2010 through Friday, June 4, 2010.**

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### Abstract Categories include:

#### Evidence, Economics, and Ethics

- Health Technology Assessment (Comparative & Cost-effectiveness Analysis)
  - \* Theory
  - \* Methods
  - \* Application
- Ethical, Legal and Social Issues
- Priority Setting for Research
- Meta-analysis

#### Judgment and Decision Making

- Theory
- Applications
- Risk Perception and Communication
- Preferences and Behaviors of Patients and Providers
- Decision Aids
- Medical Education and Decision Making

#### Advances in Quantitative Methods

- Bayesian Methods, Analyses & Applications
- Simulation & Decision Modeling

#### Global Health

- Scale-up and implementation
- National and local health systems
- Resource allocation and policy planning
- Clinical epidemiology e.g. neglected tropical diseases, malnutrition

#### Health Services and Policy Research

- Health Economics and Cost Analyses
- Clinical Strategies and Guidelines
- Health Policy
- Pharmacoeconomics

#### Health Status and Preferences (including measurement of health status and utility, conjoint analysis studies)

- Theory
- Methods
- Applications

#### Diagnostic Errors in Medicine

#### Resources for Research:

Category that includes demonstrations of software, decision aids, descriptions of newly available national datasets, etc. that do not meet the definition of original research but are likely to be of interest to the SMDM membership. Abstracts in this category will be considered for POSTER presentation only.



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## SMDM PRELIMINARY 2010 MEETING SCHEDULE

### Saturday, October 23, 2010

4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Registration Open  
7:30 AM – 6:00 PM SMDM Board Meeting  
5:30 PM – 9:00 PM Dinner Symposium

### Sunday, October 24, 2010

Table-Top Exhibits 8:30 AM – 5:30 PM  
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM Continental Breakfast for Short Course Attendees  
9:00 AM – 5:30 PM Short Courses – Full Day  
9:00 AM – 12:30 PM Short Courses – Morning Half Day  
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM Coffee Break for Short Course Attendees  
12:30 PM – 2:00 PM Lunch on Your Own  
12:30 PM – 2:00 PM Trainee Luncheon  
2:00 PM – 5:30 PM Short Courses – Afternoon Half Day  
3:30 PM – 4:00 PM Coffee Break for Short Course Attendees  
5:30 PM – 6:30 PM New Member and First Time Attendee Reception  
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM Welcome Reception and Poster Presentations, Session 1  
8:30 PM Dining Out in Groups with Experts in MDM

### Monday, October 25, 2010

Table-Top Exhibits 7:30 AM – 4:30 PM  
7:00 AM – 8:00 AM Committee and Interest Group Breakfast Meetings  
7:00 AM – 8:30 AM Poster Presentations, Session 2 with Continental Breakfast  
8:30 AM – 8:45 AM Welcome and Opening Remarks  
8:45 AM – 10:00 AM Plenary Presentation of Top-Ranked Abstracts  
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM Coffee Break  
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM Keynote Speaker  
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM Lunch on your own  
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM Committee and Interest Group Lunch Meetings  
1:30 PM – 3:00 PM Concurrent Oral Presentations, Session 1  
3:00 PM – 4:30 PM Poster Presentations, Session 3 and Coffee Break  
4:30 PM – 6:00 PM Concurrent Oral Presentations, Session 2  
6:30 PM – 9:30 PM Optional Social Event (ticketed separately)

### Tuesday, October 26, 2010

Table-Top Exhibits 7:00 AM – 5:30 PM  
7:00 AM – 8:00 AM Committee and Interest Group Breakfast Meetings  
7:00 AM – 8:15 AM Continental Breakfast  
8:15 AM – 8:45 AM Presidential Address  
8:45 AM – 10:00 AM SMDM Leadership Awards  
10:00 AM – 10:15 AM Coffee Break  
10:15 AM – 11:30 AM Concurrent Oral Presentations, Session 3  
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM Lunch on your own  
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM Committee and Interest Group Lunch Meetings  
1:00 PM – 2:30 PM Concurrent Oral Presentations, Session 4  
2:30 PM – 4:00 PM Poster Presentations, Session 4 with Coffee Break  
4:00 PM – 5:30 PM SMDM Annual Business Meeting, open to all attendees  
6:00 PM – 8:30 PM Past Presidents' Dinner  
6:00 PM Dining Out in Groups with Experts in MDM

### Wednesday, October 27, 2010

Table-Top Exhibits 7:00 AM – 11:45 AM  
7:00 AM – 8:00 AM SMDM Board Meeting Breakfast  
7:00 AM – 8:00 AM Continental Breakfast  
8:00 AM – 9:30 AM Concurrent Oral Presentations, Session 5  
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM SMDM Early Career Awards  
10:00 AM – 10:15 AM Coffee Break  
10:15 AM – 11:45 AM Concurrent Oral Presentations, Session 6  
11:45 AM SMDM General Meeting Adjourns

Visit the SMDM Annual Meeting Website for additional information such as meeting registration and hotel reservations.

Also note that once again DEM will be holding their meeting in conjunction with the SMDM meeting.