



Do you want to learn about the *Science* of Observation Medicine and the *Solutions* needed to start, design, manage or expand an Observation Unit? Then the **Observation Medicine - Science and Solutions Conference** is for you! This is the *Definitive* Observation Medicine Conference for Physicians, Medical and Nursing Directors, Advanced Practice Providers, Nurses, Healthcare Executives, and Hospital Administrators. During this two-day conference, you will learn directly from and have opportunity to network with the leaders and authors of Observation Medicine. You will also:

- Learn about why your hospital needs an Observation Unit and which observation unit design is best for you
- Learn more about current CMS Observation policy including the Medicare Outpatient Observation Notice
- Discover how to capture and maximize reimbursement for Observation services and the documentation necessary to achieve this
- Learn about optimal staffing and the role of mid-level providers in an observation unit
- Learn about Observation conditions and how to successfully manage them in the Observation unit
- New this year! Day 2 will include 2 tracks – Beginners: Starting an Observation Unit and Advanced: Optimizing and Growing your Observation Unit

The target audience for this two-day conference is Healthcare Executives, Hospital Administrators, Medical and Nursing Directors, Physicians, Midlevel Providers, Nurses, Case Managers and anyone else interested in learning more about Observation Medicine.

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