

11TH ANNUAL BALLOON FIESTA

Otolaryngology Symposium & Karl Horn Lectureship



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The University of New Mexico School of Medicine is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The University of New Mexico School of Medicine designates this live activity for a maximum of **5.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™**. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

TARGET AUDIENCE

The target audience for this event includes practicing otolaryngologists, advanced health care providers working in the field of otolaryngology, fellows in training and residents

OBJECTIVES

Learner will be able to:

- Apply newly released ATA guidelines and integrate surgical and non-surgical management strategies to optimize evidence-based care for patients with head and neck endocrine disorders.
- Analyze epidemiologic data and the current landscape of otolaryngology care in New Mexico to identify and develop opportunities for new clinical programs and care pathways that address community health needs.
- Assess the indications, mechanisms of action, risks and benefits of emerging medications and peptide therapies, including GLP-1 inhibitors, and integrate this knowledge into evidence-based management of allergy, sinus, and related otolaryngologic conditions.

October 3, 2026		Balloon Fiesta Otolaryngology Symposium & Karl Horn Lectureship		*
7:45 - 8:30 am	Registration, Breakfast with Exhibitors	11:30 - 1:00 pm	Lunch with Exhibitors	
8:30 - 9:30 am	Keynote Speaker (AI in Medicine)	1:00 - 2:45 pm	Resident Abstracts	
9:30 - 9:45 am	Break with Exhibitors	2:45 - 3:00 pm	Break	
9:45 - 11:30 am	Otolaryngology Updates	3:00 - 4:00 pm	Rhinology	

**The agenda above is preliminary and subject to change. Final agenda will be published at a closer date.*

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Individuals requiring special accommodations should contact CPL as soon as possible. UNM is in compliance with the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION RATES

Advance registration is encouraged. Your registration will be confirmed via email. If you do not receive a confirmation email, please contact CPL at HSC-CPL@salud.unm.edu to verify your attendance. Please confirm your registration before making travel arrangements. Registration includes conference materials, breakfast and lunch.

	Early Bird <i>Now through 09/10/2026</i>	Regular <i>09/11/26-09/27/26</i>	Onsite <i>9/28/26-10/3/26</i>
MD, DO <i>paying with UNM Tuition Remission</i>	\$150.00 <i>\$140.00</i>	\$190.00 <i>\$180.00</i>	\$215.00 <i>\$205.00</i>
APP <i>paying with UNM Tuition Remission</i>	\$100.00 <i>\$90.00</i>	\$140.00 <i>\$130.00</i>	\$165.00 <i>\$155.00</i>
RN, SLP, Audiologist <i>paying with UNM Tuition Remission</i>	\$50.00 <i>\$40.00</i>	\$90.00 <i>\$80.00</i>	\$115.00 <i>\$105.00</i>
MA/ Residents*/ Fellows/ Students**	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

**Must provide proof of resident status*

CANCELLATION

If you pre-register and cannot attend, CPL will refund tuition, less a \$40.00 administrative fee, provided the cancellation notice is received in writing **via email on or before September 18, 2026**. No refunds will be issued after this date or for non-attendance. Activities are subject to cancellation. In the event this activity is canceled, registrants will be notified via email and will receive a full refund. CPL is not responsible for any computer/device equipment rental, airfare, hotel, car rental or other costs incurred by participants.

HOW TO REGISTER

To register for the conference please click on the link below or scan the QR code:

Otolaryngology Symposium Registration



PAYMENT METHODS

CREDIT CARDS:

Complete the [conference registration form](#) and select that you will be paying with a credit card. Once you submit the form, you will automatically be redirected to our payment portal. Please complete your payment in that site.

CHECKS:

Checks should be made payable to UNM CPL, include the attendees name and mailed to:

**The University of New Mexico, Office for Continuous Professional Learning
MSC09 5370, 1 University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87131-0001.**

It is UNM policy to charge offerer \$35.00 plus normal merchant bank fees for each returned check. **CPL does not accept POs or paper registrations. All registrations need to be completed online with the link above. Please note all submission will be redirected to our credit card payment site, please exit the page when you submit youra registration.**

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All eligible UNM faculty and staff may enroll using a UNM Tuition Remission (waiver) to cover tuition costs listed on the registration form. Proper completion includes all required signatures. No refund or credit will be issued for non-attendance.

1. Complete the [conference registration form](#) and select that you will be paying with UNM Tuition Remission.
2. If you need your supervisor's approval to use your tuition remission you will need to upload a completed UNM Tuition Remission form with proper signatures to the online registration form. **Please note all registration submissions will be redirected to our credit card payment site, please exit the page when you submit your registration**

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

We do not have a room block secured for this conference. However, The University of New Mexico has negotiated agreements with several local hotels, should you need lodging during the conference. These rates are based on availability and hotel occupancies. Some hotels may require proof of UNM eligibility.

<https://purchase.unm.edu/local-hotel-information/index.html>

Questions?

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