

TAPA's 52nd Annual CME Conference

C CME
 F Food & Beverage
 R Professional Development Track

SEPTEMBER 17 • THURSDAY

10:00am – 6:00pm	Registration Desk Open
12:00pm – 1:00pm	F Industry Lunch: Rethinking Hypertension Management: A Novel, Aldosterone-Targeted Approach For Uncontrolled Blood Pressure Del Lago Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)
1:15pm – 2:15pm	C The Normal-Looking Ear: Why “Wait and See” Is a Medical Error in Sudden Hearing Loss <i>Speakers:</i> Compass East (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Tiffany Webb, DMSc, PA-C</i>
1:15pm – 4:15pm	TAPA Board Meeting Coral Reef (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)
2:15pm – 3:15pm	C Early Clues, Better Outcomes: Rethinking MCI and AD Management <i>Speakers:</i> Gary Compass East (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Small, MD</i>
3:15pm – 3:45pm	C Medical Humanities Session on Body Representation and the Impact on Health <i>Speakers:</i> Coastal Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Siobhan Conaty, PhD</i>
3:15pm – 3:45pm	F Coffee Break
3:45pm – 4:45pm	C Practical Strategies to Navigate Obesity Management in Primary Care <i>Speakers:</i> Coastal Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Nicholas Pennings, DO</i>
3:45pm – 4:45pm	C The Spell Check: Seizures, Syncope, and Seizure-Like Activity <i>Speakers:</i> Paul Compass East (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Gonzales, EdD(c), PA-C</i>
4:45pm – 5:45pm	C Before the Referral: Mastering Hypertension & Hyperlipidemia with the 2025–2026 Updated Guidelines Coastal Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Speakers:</i> Isabel Valdez, PA-C, DFAAPA
4:45pm – 5:45pm	R From Clinician to Advocate: Practical Advocacy Skills for PAs <i>Speakers:</i> Compass East (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Sonali Weerasinghe, MPH MPAS PA-C, Daniel Lockhart, PA-C</i>
6:00pm – 7:00pm	F Welcome Happy Hour

SEPTEMBER 18 • FRIDAY

7:30am – 8:30am	F	Industry Breakfast: Cracking the Code: Uncover a Hidden Driver of Resistant Hypertension <i>Speakers:</i> Del Lago Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Shea Sullivan, PA-C, Benito Lopez, BC-ADM, DMSc, PA-C</i>
7:30am – 4:00pm		Exhibit Hours Grand Hall (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)
7:30am – 5:00pm		Registration Desk Open Registration Desk (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)
8:30am – 9:30am	C	Opening Keynote Session: From Prompt to Practice: AI Workflows Every PA Should Know <i>Speakers:</i> Del Lago Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Katie Beaudoin, DMS, MPAS, PA-C</i>
9:30am – 10:30am	C	Guiding Patients Through Cardio-Renal-Metabolic Conditions: The Essential Role of Primary Care Clinicians <i>Speakers:</i> Coastal Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Amy Butts, PA-C, MPAS, DFAAPA, CDCES, BC-ADM</i>
9:30am – 10:30am	C	Right Door, Right Time: An ED Provider's Evidence-Based Guide to the Primary Care-Emergency Interface <i>Speakers:</i> Compass West (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Justin Kennedy, PA-C, LP</i>
9:30am – 10:30am	C	Trust Your Gut: How the Microbiome Shapes Obesity Management <i>Speakers:</i> Compass East (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Jennifer Crumm, MSM, PA-C, RD</i>
10:30am – 11:15am	F	Coffee Break with Exhibitors Grand Hall (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)
11:15am – 12:15pm	C	My Watch Said I Have AFib: A Guide to Interpreting Wearable Data <i>Speakers:</i> LaineCompass West (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Markham, MMS, MBA, PA-C</i>
11:15am – 12:15pm	C	Optimizing T2D Outcomes with GLP-1-Centered Treatment <i>Speakers:</i> Coastal Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Benito Lopez, BC-ADM, DMSc, PA-C</i>
11:15am – 12:15pm	P	The Confidence Climb: Micro-Skills That Make the Difference <i>Speakers:</i> Ryan Compass East (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>English, PA-C, Holly Warren, DMSc, MPAS, PA-C</i>
12:30pm – 1:30pm	F	Industry Lunch: Discussion of Current Standards and Experiences in the Advancement of Cardiovascular Care, the REDUCE-IT® Trial and VASCEPA® (icosapent ethyl) <i>Speakers:</i> Del Lago Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Matthew Budoff, MD</i>
12:30pm – 1:30pm	F	Industry Lunch: Screen + Detect Cancer Early: How the Cologuard Plus Test and the Cancerguard Test can help you expand early detection with confidence <i>Speakers:</i> Coastal Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Beth Thomas, PharmD</i>
1:30pm – 2:00pm	P	Ready, Set, Learn: Gamification in Health Professions Education <i>Speakers:</i> Compass East (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Heather Davis-Lopez, MPLC, DMSc, PA-C</i>

1:30pm – 2:30pm	C Orthopedic Triage for the Non-Orthopedic PA: When to Treat, When to Refer <i>Speakers:</i> Coastal Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Jason Lee, DMSc, PA-C</i>
1:30pm – 2:30pm	C Peanuts and Pollen: Allergy and Asthma Pearls for Primary Care <i>Speakers:</i> Compass West (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Elizabeth Larson</i>
1:30pm – 2:30pm	C Perimenopause/Menopause: Understanding and managing this stage of life <i>Speakers:</i> Del Lago Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Sophie Hunt, PA-C, MSCP</i>
2:00pm – 2:30pm	P The Modern Educator's Assistant: Practical AI for PA Educators <i>Speakers:</i> Compass East (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Angelica R. Urbina, DMSc, MPAS, PA-C</i>
2:30pm – 3:00pm	P From Probe to Procedure: Building Clinical Skills Through Community Collaboration <i>Speakers:</i> Compass East (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Cassandra Salinas Whetstone, DMSc, MPAS, PA-C</i>
2:30pm – 3:30pm	Practicing PA Research Symposium
2:30pm – 3:30pm	C When Anxiety Isn't Anxiety: Recognizing Medical and Substance-Related Mimics in Behavioral Health Settings <i>Speakers:</i> Coastal Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Serah "Xyla" Sulaiman, MPAS, PA-C</i>
2:30pm – 3:30pm	R Implicit Bias Compass West (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Speakers: Andre'lyn T. Williams, DMSc, MPAS, PA-C</i>
3:00pm – 3:30pm	P From Clinician to Educator: Finding Your Place in Medical Education <i>Speakers:</i> Compass East (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Christina Granado Gonzales, DMSc, MPAS, PA-C</i>
3:30pm – 3:45pm	F Coffee Break with Exhibitors Grand Hall (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)
3:45pm – 4:45pm	C Not Just for Diabetes: Implementing GLP-1 Therapies in Chronic Disease <i>Speakers:</i> Compass West (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Isabel Valdez, PA-C, DFAAPA</i>
3:45pm – 5:15pm	C Human Trafficking: Training for Healthcare Professionals <i>Speakers:</i> Coastal Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Michelle Douthitt, BSN, RN, NCSN-E</i>
6:30pm – 9:00pm	F PAC Reception (Separate Ticket Required) Del Lago Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)

SEPTEMBER 19 • SATURDAY

7:30am – 3:30pm	Exhibit Hours	Grand Hall (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)
7:30am – 6:00pm	Registration Desk Open	
8:30am – 9:30am	C TAPA Town Hall	Del Lago Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)
9:30am – 10:00am	TAPA Awards	Del Lago Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)
10:00am – 10:30am	F Coffee Break with Exhibitors	Grand Hall (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)
10:30am – 11:30am	C Depressive Disorders: Review for Primary Care	<i>Speakers: Jenni Compass East (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) Jamison, MS, MPAS, PA-C, Jessica Lindemood, MPAS, PA-C</i>
10:30am – 11:30am	C Starting Strong in Specialty Practice: What New Graduates and Career Changers Both Need to Know	Compass West (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Speakers: Jason Lee, DMSc, PA-C</i>
10:30am – 11:30am	R Beyond the Bedside: Strategic Career Planning for the PA Professional	<i>Speakers: Coastal Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) Katie DeLucia, MPAS, PA-C, Monica F. Ward, PA-C, MPAS, AT, DFAAPA</i>
10:30am – 11:30am	S Emergency Medicine / Urgent Care Tricks of the Trade: What the Textbooks Don't Teach You!	<i>Speakers: Fred Wu, Latitude (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) PhD, PA-C</i>
10:30am – 12:00pm	S Escape Room 1	Longitude (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Speakers: Cassandra Salinas Whetstone, DMSc, MPAS, PA-C, Heather Davis-Lopez, MPLC, DMSc, PA-C, Angelica R. Urbina, DMSc, MPAS, PA-C, Christina Granado Gonzales, DMSc, MPAS, PA-C</i>
11:30am – 12:30pm	C The Wake-Up Workshop Initiative: Your Practical, Comprehensive Guide to Obstructive Sleep Apnea	Del Lago Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Speakers: Ann Cartwright, PA-C, Doug Maready, MD</i>
11:30am – 12:30pm	S ECG Refresher	Latitude (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Speakers: Andrew Palacios, PA-C</i>
12:30pm – 1:30pm	F Industry Lunch: Navigating Fabry Disease	Coastal Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)
12:30pm – 1:30pm	F Industry Lunch: X-Linked Hypophosphatemia (XLH) Unveiled: A case Study and Guide to Differential Diagnosis	Del Lago Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)
1:30pm – 2:30pm	C From Clinician to Leader: What PA Leadership Actually Requires	<i>Speakers: Coastal Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) Jason Lee, DMSc, PA-C</i>
1:30pm – 2:30pm	C Menopause: Your Changing Body	<i>Speakers: Anna Compass West (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) C. Shafer, MMSc, PA-C, DFAAPA</i>

1:30pm – 2:30pm	C STIs in 2026: What’s Resurging, What’s Resistant, and Who We’re Missing <i>Speakers:</i> Compass East (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Amanda Brosnan, MPAS, MPH, PA-C, AAHIVE</i>
1:30pm – 2:30pm	S Hospital Medicine Primer <i>Speakers: Justin</i> Latitude (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Brewer PA-C, CAQ-HM</i>
1:30pm – 3:00pm	S Escape Room 2 Longitude (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Speakers: Cassandra Salinas Whetstone, DMSc, MPAS, PA-C, Heather Davis-Lopez, MPLC, DMSc, PA-C, Angelica R. Urbina, DMSc, MPAS, PA-C, Christina Granado Gonzales, DMSc, MPAS, PA-C</i>
2:30pm – 3:30pm	C Too Much, Too Little, Too Fast: Movement Disorders in Clinical Practice <i>Speakers: Paul</i> Compass East (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Gonzales, EdD(c), PA-C</i>
2:30pm – 3:30pm	C Wires, Cans, & Red Flags: What Non-Cardio PAs Need to Know About Pacemakers & ICDs <i>Speakers: Laine</i> Compass West (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Markham, MMS, MBA, PA-C</i>
2:30pm – 3:30pm	R The Fine Print Matters: How to Negotiate Like a Pro, and Knowing When to Walk Away <i>Speakers:</i> Coastal Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Katie Beaudoin, DMS, MPAS, PA-C</i>
2:30pm – 3:30pm	S Student Research Symposium Latitude (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)
3:30pm – 4:00pm	F Coffee Break with Exhibitors Grand Hall (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)
4:00pm – 5:00pm	C The Art of Precepting: Practical Strategies for Busy Clinicians <i>Speakers: Anna</i> Compass West (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>C. Shafer, MMSc, PA-C, DFAAPA</i>
4:00pm – 5:00pm	C The Bump with a Pump: Diabetes Technology in Pregnancy for the Primary Care PA <i>Speakers:</i> Compass East (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Savannah Elkins, MPAS, PA-C</i>
4:00pm – 5:00pm	R Why Being the Data-Savvy PA on the Team is your Ultimate Power Move <i>Speakers:</i> Coastal Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356) <i>Amanda Ben Simon, DMSc, MMS, PA-C</i>
4:00pm – 5:00pm	S From CASPA to PANCE from the Experts: Pre-PA Student Panel Latitude (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)
6:30pm – 9:30pm	F Challenge Bowl (Separate Ticket Required) Del Lago Ballroom (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)

SEPTEMBER 20 • SUNDAY

7:30am – 10:00am		Registration Desk Open
8:00am – 9:00am	F	Industry Breakfast: Unlocking the potential of a liver-directed treatment <i>Speakers: Andrew Garza, PA-C</i>
9:00am – 10:00am	C	Quiet Today, Deadly Tomorrow: Why Tuberculosis Prevention Matters <i>Speakers: Compass East (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)</i> <i>Amanda Brosnan, MPAS, MPH, PA-C, AAHIVE</i>
9:00am – 10:00am	C	Targeting Aldosterone in Heart Failure & Chronic Kidney Disease <i>Speakers: Compass West (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)</i> <i>Ashlyn Smith, MMS, PA-C, DipACLM, DFAAPA, LSC</i>
10:00am – 11:00am	C	Continuous Glucose Monitoring in Primary Care <i>Speakers: Compass West (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)</i> <i>Ashlyn Smith, MMS, PA-C, DipACLM, DFAAPA, LSC</i>
10:00am – 11:00am	C	PMOS (the condition formerly known as PCOS) for Primary Care <i>Speakers: Compass East (Margaritaville Lake Conroe Resort 600 Margaritaville Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77356)</i> <i>Amber Koonce, PA-C</i>
11:00am – 12:00pm	O	ONLINE ONLY: ABG easy as 123 <i>Speakers: Stephanie Gonzalez, Daniel Wood</i>
11:00am – 12:00pm	O	ONLINE ONLY: APP Fellowships Are Having a Moment <i>Speakers: Amanda Ben Simon, DMSc, MMS, PA-C</i>
11:00am – 12:00pm	O	ONLINE ONLY: Clinical Reasoning in Modern PA Practice: Cognitive Biases, Evidence-Based Medicine, Clinical Guidelines, Research Findings, and Artificial Intelligence (AI) <i>Speakers: Christopher Metcalf, MPAS, BSN, PA-C</i>
11:00am – 12:00pm	O	ONLINE ONLY: Opioid/Pain Management <i>Speakers: Arminia Jo Peyregne-Lollar, DMSc, MSPAS, PA-C, Darcy Ortiz, MHA, MPAS, PA-C</i>
11:00am – 12:00pm	O	ONLINE ONLY: The Dose Went Up and So Did the Pain: Opioid-Induced Hyperalgesia in Practice <i>Speakers: Eden Mae Rodriguez, Bau Tran, PhD, PharmD, PA-C</i>
11:00am – 12:00pm	O	ONLINE ONLY: Treating Obesity in High Risk Populations <i>Speakers: Ledyenska B Ballesteros, MPAS, PA-C</i>