



INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT IN HEALTH CARE

You are cordially invited to participate in the Tenth Annual Meeting of the International Society of Technology Assessment in Health Care, June 19–22, in Baltimore, Maryland, U.S.A.

PROPOSED PLENARY SESSIONS

- The Scientific Adequacy of Published Research
What is the influence of published data on governmental policies, practice guidelines, and courts' decisions?
- Needs-Based Technology Assessment
Do current technology assessments reflect societies' needs to solve important health problems?
- The Evolution of Patient Outcome Research Teams (PORTS)
What have we learned about their design, their findings, and implications for practice?

PROPOSED OPEN PANEL DISCUSSIONS

- The Ethical Dimensions of Technology Assessment
What are the implicit and explicit value assumptions underlying the use of such basic methods of assessment as measuring cost-effectiveness and quality of life?
- Innovative Cancer Therapy
What new types of relations have developed among basic researchers, clinicians, and industry?
- Contradictory Clinical Recommendations
How should conflicting recommendations be interpreted, used, and reconciled?
- Concurrent panel discussions on technology assessment in managed care organizations, by professional societies, and among insurers.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Sunday, June 19

Methodology Workshop (1 pm–5 pm)
Welcoming Reception

Monday, June 20–Wednesday, June 22

Scientific Sessions
Plenary Sessions
Luncheons
Banquet

Tuesday, June 21

ISTAHC Annual Business Meeting

Thursday, June 23–Saturday, June 25

Post-Conference Course:

*Methods of Medical Technology Assessment:
"The Assessment of Diagnostic Technology"*

DATES TO REMEMBER

Deadline for Submission of Abstracts

November 15, 1993

Notification of Abstracts Acceptance

January 1994

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