



2025 Big Sky AMES Conference Agenda
Fairmont Hot Springs Resort
Tuesday August 12th

4:00 PM	Vendor Set Up in the Exhibit Hall
6:00 PM	Meet Your Vendors Patio By the Pool

Wednesday, August 13th
REGISTRATION STARTS AT 8:00 AM

	Respiratory Track	Regulator track
9:00 – 10:00 AM	Home Ventilation 2025 and Beyond Zach Gantt, RRT FAARC President and CEO Encore Healthcare	Look Ahead: Key Legal Issues Facing DME Suppliers in the Next 12 months. Jeff Baird, Brown & Fortunato
10:00 – 11:00 AM	Maximizing Reimbursement within the Respiratory Area Ronda Buhrmester, VGM	Engagement from the Inside Out Miriam Lieber, Lieber Consulting/Sponsored by ACU-Serve
11:00 – 11:30 AM	Vendor Break	Vendor Break
11:30 - 12:30 PM	Combination Therapy High Flow/Ventilation Bob Garster RRT, React Health	Impact of Compliance on a DME Suppliers Valuation. Jeff Baird, Brown & Fortunato
12:30 - 1:30 PM	Lunch with the President Mike Calcaterra, Norco, Inc.	Lunch with the President Mike Calcaterra, Norco, Inc.
1:30 - 2:00 PM	Vendor Break	Vendor Break
2:00 - 3:00 PM	Innovative Solutions in Modern Re supply Kyle Reese, ACU-Serve	Accountability Measures to Increase Productivity & Improve Culture Miriam Leiber, Lieber Consulting/Sponsored by ACU-Serve
3:00 - 4:00 PM	Recognition and Treatment of Bronchiectasis Nicole Dunn MBA, RRT, CPM, TACTILE MEDICAL	Audit Response Strategies Kelly Grahovac, vanHalem Group
4:00 - 5:00 PM	Vendor wine and cheese	Vendor Wine and cheese
5:00pm - ???	Ladder Ball Tournament and Dinner out by Pavilion	Ladder Ball Tournament and Dinner out by Pavilion

Thursday August 14th
REGISTRATION STARTS AT 8 AM.

	Respiratory Track	Regulatory Track
9:00 -10:00 AM	Oxygen Safety Jim Christ, Applied Homecare	Patient Co-Payments: Collection, Waiver, & Patient Assistance Programs Jeff Baird, Brown & Fortunato
10:00-11:00 AM	Solving the Patient Processing Problem How to Create Real Operation Leverage Amidst Language Model Mania Trey Holterman, Tennr	Solving the Patient Processing Problem How to Create Real Operation Leverage Amidst Language Model Mania Trey Holterman, Tennr
11:00-11:30AM	VENDOR BREAK	VENDOR BREAK
11:30-1:00 PM	Legislative Update/Lunch Michael "Ike" Isaacson, VGM Group	Legislative Update/Lunch Michael "Ike" Isaacson, VGM Group
1:00-2:00	Making Nocturnal Oxygen Important Again Lawrence Mrvica, Testsmarter	Medicare Advantage: What's New with Medicare Advantage (New Regulations New Administration) David Chandler, AA Homecare
2:00 – 2:30 PM	Vendor Break	Vendor Break
2:30-3:30 PM	Mouthpiece and non-invasive ventilation Aaron Schmitt, Breas	Raising the Leadership Bar Miriam Leiber, Lieber Consulting/ Sponsored by ACU-Serve
3:30-4:30 PM	Medicare	Medicare

BUSES START LEAVING @ 5:30 TO SCHMITTY'S BARN

Friday, August 15th

8:00-8:55 AM	Registration Open for All Attendee's Breakfast on Your Own All Classes Will be Held in the Ponderosa Room	
9:00-9:55 AM.	Montana Medicaid Updates	Montana Medicaid Updates

Schedule and Agenda Can Be Subject to Change

Save the Date for the 2026 Big Sky Conference
August 12th, 13th, and 14th 2026
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