

**Update on the Diagnosis and Management of Tickborne Rickettsial Diseases: Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever and Other Spotted Group Fever Rickettsioses, Ehrlichiosis, and Anaplasmosis — United States  
WB2560**

**PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:** The goal of this report is to provide practical information on tickborne rickettsial diseases for health care providers and public health professionals.

**OBJECTIVES:**

At the conclusion of the session, the participant will be able to:

- (1) describe the epidemiology and clinical manifestations of tickborne rickettsial diseases
- (2) describe the treatment of choice for suspected tickborne rickettsial diseases in both adults and children,
- (3) identify early empiric antibiotic therapy can prevent morbidity and death,
- (4) identify appropriate confirmatory diagnostic tests and recognize the utility and limitations of these tests
- (5) identify probable and confirmed cases of tickborne rickettsial diseases to public health authorities

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**HARDWARE/SOFTWARE:** Computer Hardware; Internet connection; Browser

**MATERIALS:** None

**TARGET AUDIENCE:** Physicians, Registered Nurses, Public Health Officials\_\_\_\_\_

**PREREQUISITES:** Knowledge of the Human Papillomavirus Vaccine and use of vaccines in children, adolescents and adults

**FORMAT:** Enduring Material

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