

## GRAND ROUNDS

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### **Improving outcomes among older adults with lower extremity injuries: The impact of multidisciplinary care conferences and routine physician consultations**

#### **ABSTRACT**

Injuries among older adults are an important public health problem. Hip fractures and other lower extremity injuries that result in hospitalization or immobilization can initiate a cascade of effects negatively impacting overall health, well-being, and independence. Recovery from such injuries is further complicated by the often complex mix of other medical conditions and psychosocial issues common to older adults. We used population-based data from Medicare and information from a statewide hospital survey to address the following hypothesis: older adults treated for lower extremity injuries in hospitals with routine physician consultations and multidisciplinary care conferences would have reduced one-year post-injury mortality and lower rates of rehospitalization and outpatient visits in the year post-injury.

Food and beverages will be provided.