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Thursday, October 8, 2026	Start	Topic	Speaker
	8:00 AM	VPS's QI Collaborative: Respiratory Management	By Invitation Only
	10:00 AM	VPS's QI Collaborative: Patient Flow	By Invitation Only
	11:50 PM	VPS's QI Collaborative: Nutrition Metrics	By Invitation Only
	9:00 AM	Pre-Session A: VPS 101: Foundational Trainings for New Teams / New Site Coordinators	Optional Session
	9:00 AM	Pre-Session B: Advanced Applications of VPS Data	Optional Session
	12:00 PM	Registration & Badge Pickup	
	1:00 PM	Welcome	Nancy Brundage and Cameron Gunville
		Keynote Speaker: Leading with Data - From Bedside to Board	Kathleen Gorman, Moderated by Tom Rice and Ramesh Sachdeva
		- Making Value Visible, a Facilitated Discussion: Demonstrating Value to C-Suite Executives	
	2:30 PM	Global Expansion and Innovation - VPS Beyond the U.S. — International Panel	Ramesh Sachdeva and Panel
		- Canadian VPS: Activities and Updates	Elizabeth DiGiacomo
		- Beyond Benchmarking: How VPS is Shaping Pediatric Critical Care in Qatar	Ikram Ul Haque
		- VPS in Saudi Arabia: Advancing Data-Driven Pediatric Critical Care	Tareq Alayed
	3:10 PM	Afternoon Break	
	3:30 PM	Track for Site Coordinators and Clinical Data Collectors	Moderated by Ashley Sweeney
		Navigating the Complexities of Clinical Data Collection: Challenges and Solutions	Brittany Critcher and Lena Bouwens
		Transforming Data into Insight: Understanding the Value of VPS Metrics	Maria Galletto and Jaime LaVelle
		Bridging Data and Practice: Advancing Dissemination, Quality, and Registry Management at Stanford Medicine Children’s Health	Cassie Bergaro
		Maintaining Momentum: Sustained VPS Engagement and Utilization	Carl Maly
		Less Noise, More Impact: Focusing on the Diagnoses That Matter Most in VPS	Kelly Jackson
		Q & A Panel	Moderated by Ashley Sweeney
	5:00 PM	Closing Remarks	Nancy Brundage
	3:30 PM	Track for Physicians / Administrators / Managers / Operational Leadership	Moderated by Tom Rice and Randall Wetzel
		Using VPS Data to Support Quality and Financial Incentives with Physician Leadership at UH Rainbow Babies & Children’s Hospital	Matt Marx
		Advancing Academic Scholarship Using VPS Registry Data: Strategies for Physician Success	Michael McCrory
	Turning VPS Data into Stories: Dashboards That Inform and Drive Change	Matt Scanlon	
	Leading Through VPS	Randall Wetzel	
5:00 PM	Closing Remarks	Randall Wetzel	
6:00 PM	Networking Reception and Cocktail supported by Registry Partners		

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7:00 AM	Continental Breakfast and Networking	
8:00 AM	Welcome	Nancy Brundage
	VPS Research Panel	Moderated by Howard Jeffries
	- Multicenter PICU Strain	Matthew Baker
	- Utilization of Critical Care Resource in Pediatric Neurocritical Care	Binod Balakrishnan
	- VPS Research: Using Data Combined with a Survey Study	Matt Marx
	- Dexmedetomidine Use in Children with Acute Bronchiolitis Requiring High-Flow Nasal Cannula	Neelima Marupudi
9:00 AM	VPS - PHIS Linked Research	Moderated by Tom Rice
	- VPS PHIS Linked Research Milestones, Findings and What's Next	Brian Flaherty
	- VPS-PHIS Research Project: Outcomes Associated with Sedative Use in Bronchiolitis in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit	Christopher Page-Goertz
	- VPS-PHIS Research Project: Examining Discharge Delay and Patterns Among Children with Medical Complexity Following Pediatric ICU stay	Julia Heneghan
10:00 AM	Morning Break	
10:20 AM	Research, QI, Clinical and Poster Presentation Awards	Howard Jeffries, Nancy Brundage and Cheryl Hulbert
10:30 AM	AI-Driven Innovation in Pediatric Critical Care	
	- Emerging Applications of AI in the PICU	Ramesh Sachdeva
	- Integrating AI into PICU Care: Clinical Examples and Emerging Opportunities	Brian Boville
11:30 AM	PICU Advisory Group Report and Taskforce Group Reports	Moderated by Tom Rice
	- Narrative Builder	Brian Boville and Alex Kaminski
	- Taskforce: Complex Medical Conditions	Matt Scanlon
	- Taskforce: Social Determinants of Health	Matt Scanlon
12:00 PM	Lunch	
1:00 PM	Advancing Excellence Through VPS Recognition	Tom Rice and Nancy Brundage
1:15 PM	The State of VPS: Opportunities, Outcomes and Strategic Vision	Randall Wetzel
	Discussion and Closing Remarks	Randall Wetzel
2:00 PM	Adjourn	

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We look forward to seeing you again at the next VPS Quality Summit & User Conference - Spring of 2028