

# #SMS2024

# SMOKY MOUNTAIN SYMPOSIUM 2024

The Premier Continuing Education Event



**NOV 6-8TH**  
2024



**Ramsey Hotel  
& Convention Center**  
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# ABOUT THIS EVENT

Hosted in the foothills of the beautiful Smoky Mountains, the Smoky Mountain Symposium has been the premier continuing education event for the past 15 years. All courses are approved by the American Association of Sleep Technologists. Industry-leading vendors are also on-site to answer questions and keep you informed of exciting information. The goal of this conference is to provide relevant and timely information that can impact your career now and in the near future.



**Back by popular demand!**  
**Leadership Session**

Thursday, November 7th

**Ken Hartley**

*Renowned Author/Trainer*

## SLEEP SPEAKERS



**Gerald George  
Mannikarote**  
**MBBS, MBA, RST,**  
**CPT**

*SleepTech Talk*



**Gabe Tallent**  
**MD, DABPN**

*Sleep Centers of  
Middle Tennessee*



**Robert Miller**  
**RPSGT, RCP**

*Apria Healthcare*



**Emerson Kerr**  
**MBA, RRT, FAAS**

*Nox Medical*



**Tim Safley**  
**RRT, MBA, RCP**

*ACHC*



**Robert Lindsey**  
**MS, RPSGT, CCSH**

*Blue Ridge Medical Center*

# SLEEP AGENDA

## DAY 1 SCHEDULE // Wednesday, November 6

- 12:00-5:00PM | Exhibitor Setup
- 4:00-5:30PM | Attendee & Exhibitor Registration

## DAY 2 SCHEDULE // Thursday, November 7

- 7:00AM | Registration & Exhibits
- 8:00AM | Gold Sponsor and Announcements
- 8:15AM | Leadership Session – Ken Hartley, Author/Trainer
- 10:15AM | Break / Exhibits**
- 11:15AM | “Updates in Sleep Medicine” – Robert Miller, RPSGT, RCP
- 12:15PM | Lunch Presentation (Lunch Provided)**
  - “An Option for Patients with Uncontrolled Moderate to Severe Asthma with Eosinophilic Phenotype” – Andrea Girod Espinoza, MD, FCCP
- 1:30PM | “Set Your Sleep Center Apart” – Gerald Mannikarote, MBBS, MBA, RST, CPT
- 2:30PM | Break / Exhibits**
- 3:30PM | “Empowering Sleep Technology: Understanding A.I.” – Emerson Kerr, MBA, RRT, FAAST
- 4:30PM | “The Regulatory Life Cycle of Respiratory Care Bio-Medical Safety” – Roger Richardson, J.M., RRT, RRT-AACS RRT-NPS, RPFT

## DAY 3 SCHEDULE // Friday, November 8

- 7:30AM | Registration
- 8:00AM | “Restless Leg Syndrome” – Gabe Tallent, MD, DABPN
- 9:00AM | “Recurrent Isolated Sleep Paralysis (RISP)” – Robert Lindsey, MS, RPSGT, CCSH
- 10:00AM | Break**
- 10:15AM | “Develop a PAP Nap Program for Your Sleep Center” – Gerald Mannikarote, MBBS, MBA, RST, CPT
- 11:15AM | “Insomnia” – Gabe Tallent, MD, DABPN
- 12:15PM | Lunch on your own**
- 1:15PM | “Meeting Sleep Testing Requirements for Payors” – Tim Safley, MBA, RCP, RRT
- 2:15PM | “Good Samaritan Laws: Understanding Legal Protections and Real-World Cases” – Carrie Proffitt, RRT



# SMOKY MOUNTAIN SYMPOSIUM XV

This year, Encore Healthcare will host the 15th annual Smoky Mountain Symposium in the foothills of the beautiful Smoky Mountains at the illustrious

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## Hotel Information

Room rates are available at \$159.00/night. These group rates will be for Wednesday and Thursday November 6 & 7th. For reservations please call 1-800-555-2650. There are a limited number of rooms at this special Symposium price. You must mention you are with the Encore Healthcare Smoky Mountain Symposium to get this room rate.



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