



- September 4, 2018:**                   **Title:**                    "The Palliative Care Landscape in Nova Scotia - How are we 'caring for our own'?"  
**Presenter:**            Dr. Stephanie Connidis - Hospice Halifax  
(Division of Palliative Medicine)
- September 11, 2018:**               **Title:**                    "The New Era of Biologics in Treatment of Skin Conditions"  
**1st Presenter:**        Dr. Hermenio Lima  
(Division of Dermatology - J.B. Ross Lecture)
- September 18, 2018:**               **Title:**                    "Hard to Swallow? Modified Diets to Prevent Aspiration in Dysphagia"  
**Presenter:**            Dr. Shaun O'Keefe  
(Division of Geriatric Medicine)
- September 25, 2018:**               **Title:**                    "Research is a Team Sport: Demonstrated by the EPCAT II Trial"  
**Presenter:**            David Anderson, MD, FRCPC, FACP, Dean of Faculty of Medicine, Professor with the Division of Hematology  
(Research Rounds)

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## ROUNDS OBJECTIVES

### September 4

Dr. Stephanie Connidis – Hospice Halifax

*“The Palliative Care Landscape in Nova Scotia – How are we ‘caring for our own’?”*

Objectives:

- Understand the current provincial resources for palliative care.
- Understand the current local resources for palliative care.
- Understand Hospice as a new place of care option and the eligibility criteria.
- Introduce future directions for palliative care.

### September 11

Dr. Hermenio Lima

*“The New Era of Biologics in Treatment of Skin Conditions”*

Objectives:

- Based on Questions and Answer approach
  - Familiarize with some biological therapies available.
  - Present a brief overview of monoclonal antibodies development, and uses in research and medicine.
  - Focus on some monoclonal antibody therapies.
- What they target, how the immune system is guided to deliver their therapeutic effects, and how the therapeutic effect is related to the disease etiology.

### September 18

Dr. Shaun O’Keefe

*“Hard to Swallow? Modified Diets to Prevent Aspiration in Dysphagia”*

Objectives:

- To summarize the evidence regarding the potential benefits and hazards of modified diets in dysphagia;
- To examine whether current practice regarding modified diets reflects and is supported by the current evidence base;
- To explore the reasons for any disconnect between evidence and practice; and
- To provide recommendations and suggestions regarding the appropriate use of modified diets.

### September 25

Dr. David Anderson

*“Research is a Team Sport: Demonstrated by the EPCAT II Trial”*

Objectives:

- Provide background about current approaches for prevention of VTE following joint arthroplasty surgery.
- Provide overview of logistics and opportunities to perform clinical trials lead by Department of Medicine at Dalhousie/NSHA.
- Provide overview of findings of EPCAT II Study.