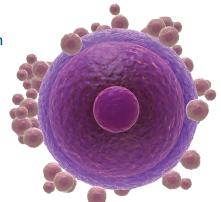
# 2025 Andrology & Embryology and General Knowledge Review Courses

- Comprehensive reviews to study and prepare for ABB certification examinations, earn continuing education credit, or enhance your knowledge
- Focused, live, onsite educational sessions presented by experts in the field
- Dedicated, uninterrupted study identifies knowledge gaps and helps avoid distractions during self-study
- Courses include updated and expanded review course manuals and PowerPoint presentations



### **Andrology & Embryology Review Course**

Dates: September 5-6, 2025

**Topics:** An in-depth review of male and female reproductive physiology; semen analysis and advanced diagnostics; assisted reproductive technologies; reproductive genetics.\*

Who Should Attend: TS/HCLD/ELD/ALD candidates preparing for ABB andrology or embryology discipline examination; individuals looking to enhance their knowledge and obtain continuing education credit.

### **General Knowledge Review Course**

Date: September 7, 2025

**Topics:** An in-depth review of laboratory accreditation and regulatory requirements; personnel, administration and management; quality management; OSHA, laboratory safety and compliance; patient test management.

Who Should Attend: HCLD/ELD/ALD/BCLD/PHLD candidates preparing for ABB general knowledge examination; individuals looking to enhance their knowledge and obtain continuing education credit.

\* The A&E Review Course on Sept. 5-6 does not provide an in-depth overview of CLIA, general laboratory management, and regulatory topics covered on the ABB General Knowledge examination. It is recommended that individuals seeking certification as a laboratory director in a reproductive discipline register for the 3-day A&E/GK combo.

### **Continuing Education Credit**

A&E Review Course Ea	arn up to 18 Contact Hours
GK Review Course* E	arn up to 8 Contact Hours
A&E AND GK* Review Courses Ea	arn up to 26 Contact Hours

**ABB/PEER-approved for up to 26 contact hours.** ABB/PEER-approved contact hours may be used to meet the CE licensure requirements in California, Florida, Louisiana, and Montana.

\* Important CE information for laboratory directors! If you are working towards ABB certification as an HCLD, BCLD, PHLD, ALD, or ELD, at least twenty (20) continuing education (CE) contact hours in laboratory practice that cover laboratory director responsibilities defined in Section 493.1445, CLIA regulations effective December 28, 2024, now are required as a prerequisite by federal regulations.

The AAB General Knowledge Review Course provides up to eight (8) contact hours of CE that may count towards meeting this new qualifying requirement for laboratory directors. The course covers laboratory safety/OSHA, emergency preparedness, general laboratory management, HIPAA, physician anti-self-referral law, anti-kickback law, financial management, employment law, and CLIA (including laboratory director responsibilities, patient test management, and quality systems).

Presented by the American Association of Bioanalysts (AAB) and the AAB College of Reproductive Biology (CRB).

Embassy Suites DFW Airport North 2401 Bass Pro Drive, Grapevine, Texas 76051





### Registration Form for the 2025 A&E and General Knowledge Review Courses

Name		AAB I.D.#				
Organization						
Address						
City	State			Zip Code		
Country	Email					
PAYMENT METHOD						
Check or Money Order payable to AAB.						
	☐ Master	Card	□ v	/ISA	☐ Discover	
Credit Card #		Exp D	ate /	CVC		
					Card verification code	
Print name as it appears on card		Cardholder's signature				
		EADI	/ DIDD	A.C.	2/4=/0=	
	(on	EARLY BIRD (on or before 8/15/25)		After 8/15/25		
	Men	nber	Non Member	Member	Non Member	
A&E Review Course, Friday/Saturday, Sept. 5-6, 2025 Includes breaks/lunches, updated/expanded 2025 A&E Review	Save	, un	Member		Member	
Manual (\$395 value) plus speaker PowerPoint presentations for	to \$2	200'*				
Sept. 5-6, 2025.	\$ 8	95	\$ 995	\$ 985	\$ 1095 \$	
General Knowledge Review Course, Sunday, Sept. 7, 2025 Includes breaks, lunch, updated/revised 2025 General Knowledge Manu	ıal Sav	e up				
for the Clinical Lab Director (HCLD) (\$195 value) plus speaker PowerPo	oint to \$1	105**				
presentations in General Knowledge for Sept. 7, 2025		45	\$ 495	\$ 500	\$ 550 \$	
Review Course Bundle, Friday/Saturday/Sunday, Sept. 5-7, 2029 Includes breaks, lunches, updated/expanded 2025 A&E Review Manual						
(\$395 value) updated/revised 2025 General Knowledge Manual for the	Sav	e up				
Clinical Lab Director (HCLD) (\$195 value) plus all speaker PowerPoint presentations for Sept. 5-7, 2025		<b>05***</b> 40	\$ 1265	\$ 1260	\$ 1400 \$	
			Ψ 1200	Ψ 1200	Ψ 1400 Ψ	
Special member and early bird savings						
* A&E Review - Save up to \$200! Register by August 15, 2025, and save \$100 off the regular member registration fee plus an additional \$100 off the non-member fee.						
** General Knowledge Review - Save up to \$105! Register by August 15, 2025, and save \$55 off the regular member						
registration fee plus an additional \$50 off the non-member fee		NOT	d 6400 -	. #		
*** A&E / GK Review Bundle - Save up to \$505! Register by August 15, 2025, and save \$120 off the regular member registration fee plus an additional \$140 off the non-member fee and up to \$505 off the unbundled non-member price.						
regionation lee plus an additional \$170 on the fron member fee and up to \$500 on the annunated non-member piles.						
AAB Membership - Join AAB and receive member discounts	for the A	&E and	d General Kr	nowledge Re	view Courses	
☐ Director \$295 ☐ Manager \$120 ☐ Supervisor \$120						
☐ AAB College of Reproductive Biology (CRB) Membershi	ip. <b>FREE</b> 1	to AAB	members In	good standin	a. \$ FREE	
	•				<u> </u>	
Job Duties						
Do you have any ownership interest in your laboratory? $\ \square\ $ Y	ES 🗆	NO		AMOUNT F	PAID (\$	
THREE EASY WAYS TO REGISTER:				71111001111	7.115 L\$	
Phone: Call (314)241-1445 and have your credit card information ready. (American Express/MC/VISA /Discover ONLY.)  Fax: Here's our 24-hour FAX number for your convenience (314)241-1449. Fill out the registration form with your credit card information.  Mail: Fill out the order form and mail with applicable payment to: AAB, 906 Olive Street, Suite 1200, St. Louis, MO 63101-1448.						

**Hotel Reservations:** CRB's 2025 Andrology & Embryology Review Course is being held at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Grapevine DFW Airport North, 2401 Bass Pro Drive, Grapevine, TX 76051, located two miles from DFW International Airport.

Make your hotel reservations as soon as possible ONLINE (https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/ae-review-course-2025/) or by calling the Embassy Suites – Outdoor World at (972)724-2600, option #1, and ask for rooms reserved for the A&E Review Course 2025. The room rate is \$179.00 per night, single or double occupancy, plus applicable taxes (currently 13%) plus a state cost recovery fee of 0.975%.

Individuals who reserve a room at the Embassy Suites will also receive a free fully cooked-to-order breakfast including a buffet of hot and cold items plus a reception each evening with free drinks and snacks.

### Andrology & Embryology and General Knowledge Review Courses

Preliminary Schedule of Events

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2025

6:30 a.m.-7:00 a.m.

Registration and Check-in

7:00 a.m.-7:05 a.m.

Welcome

Joseph Conaghan, Ph.D., HCLD/ELD/CC(ABB)

7:05 a.m.-8:15 a.m.

Male Reproductive Function:

Development of the Male Genitourinary

Tract and Birth Defects

Dolores J. Lamb, Ph.D., HCLD(ABB)

8:15 a.m.-9:25 a.m.

Male Reproductive Function:

Spermatogenesis

and Male Reproductive Tract Biology

Ricardo Pimenta Bertolla, D.V.M., Ph.D., HCLD(ABB)

9:25 a.m.-9:55 a.m.

Break

9:55 a.m.-11:05 a.m.

Female Physiology and Reproductive **Function** 

Nikki Winston, Ph.D., HCLD/CC/ALD(ABB)

11:05 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

**Ovulation Induction and Female Infertility** 

Richard T. Scott, M.D., HCLD/ALD(ABB)

12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.

Lunch

1:00 p.m.-1:55 p.m.

Male Reproductive Function - Infertility Scott Lundy, M.D., Ph.D., HCLD(ABB)

1:55 p.m.-3:05 p.m.

Semen Analysis and Advanced Diagnostics

Dolores J. Lamb, Ph.D., HCLD(ABB)

3:05 p.m.-3:35 p.m.

Break

3:35 p.m.-4:20 p.m.

Reproductive Genetics

Dolores J. Lamb, Ph.D., HCLD(ABB)

Scott Lundy, M.D., Ph.D., HCLD(ABB)

4:20 p.m.-5:05 p.m.

Male Contribution to the Embryo and

Offspring

Dolores J. Lamb, Ph.D., HCLD(ABB)

5:05 p.m.- 6:00 p.m.

**Gamete Preparation** 

Nikki Winston, Ph.D., HCLD/CC/ALD(ABB)

### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2025**

7:30 a.m.-8:00 a.m.

Intro and Exam Logistics

Marina O. Gvakharia, M.D., Ph.D., HCLD/

ELD(ABB)

8:00 a.m.-8:55 a.m.

Micromanipulation

Joseph Conaghan, Ph.D., HCLD/ELD/

CC(ABB)

8:55 a.m.-10:05 a.m.

Fertilization and Early Embryonic Development

Nikki Winston, Ph.D., HCLD/CC/ALD(ABB)

10:05 a.m.-10:35 a.m.

Break

10:35 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

**Culture Techniques** 

Joseph Conaghan, Ph.D., HCLD/ELD/

CC(ABB)

11:45 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Contemporary Embryo Transfer Art and Science

Richard T. Scott, M.D., HCLD/ALD(ABB)

12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.

Lunch

1:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m.

**Embryo Selection for Transfer** 

Marina O. Gvakharia, M.D., Ph.D., HCLD/

ELD(ABB)

1:30 p.m.-2:40 p.m.

**Preimplantation Genetic Testing** 

Richard T. Scott, M.D., HCLD/ALD(ABB)

2:40 p.m.-3:25 p.m.

**Cryopreservation - Theory** 

Joseph Conaghan, Ph.D., HCLD/ELD/

CC(ABB)

3:25 p.m.-3:55 p.m.

Break

3:55 p.m.-4:50 p.m.

**Cryopreservation - Practical** 

Joseph Conaghan, Ph.D., HCLD/ELD/ CC(ABB)

4:50 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

FDA-HCTP Regulations & Fertility Clinic Success Rate Certification Act

Melanie Clemmer, Ph.D., HCLD(ABB)

5:30 p.m.-6:25 p.m.

Total Quality Management in the

IVF Laboratory

Joseph Conaghan, Ph.D., HCLD/ELD/CC(ABB)

#### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2025**

#### **General Knowledge Course Begins**

6:30 a.m.-7:00 a.m.

Registration and Check-in

7:00 a.m.-7:05 a.m.

**Opening Remarks** 

Melanie Clemmer, Ph.D., HCLD(ABB)

7:05 a.m.-8:30 a.m.

Laboratory Management: Laboratory Safety.

including OSHA and Disaster Preparedness

Robert I. Footlik, M.S., MLS(ASCP), HCLD(ABB-Ret)

8:30 a.m.-8:45 a.m.

Break

8:45 a.m.-10:15 a.m.

**Laboratory Management:** 

**General Laboratory Management** 

Robert I. Footlik, M.S., MLS(ASCP),

HCLD(ABB-Ret)

10:15 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

Break

10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

**Laboratory Management:** 

**General Laboratory Management continued** 

Robert I, Footlik, M.S., MLS(ASCP),

HCLD(ABB-Ret)

12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.

Lunch

1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Laboratory Management: CLIA '88

Robert I. Footlik, M.S., MLS(ASCP),

HCLD(ABB-Ret)

3:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

Break

3:30 p.m.-4:45 p.m. Laboratory Management: Financial Management and Employment Law

4:45 p.m.-5:15 p.m. Laboratory Management: **Q&A** and Discussion

Melanie Clemmer, Ph.D., HCLD(ABB)

### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

Cancellations received on or prior to August 18, 2025 are subject to a \$25 cancellation fee. A \$75 cancellation fee will apply to all cancellations received after August 18, 2025. No refunds will be made for cancellations after August 25, 2025, but substitutions can be made at any time.

### AAB's Andrology & Embryology and General Knowledge Review Courses

The Andrology & Embryology and General Knowledge Review Courses return in-person for the first time since 2017! The courses are ideal to study and prepare for ABB certification examinations, earn continuing education credit, and enhance your knowledge.

Organized by the American
Association of Bioanalysts (AAB)
and the AAB College of Reproductive
Biology (CRB) to help individuals prepare
for certification examinations, including
the American Board of Bioanalysis
(ABB) certification examinations for
Directors and Technical Supervisors in
the disciplines of andrology, embryology
and general knowledge. The Andrology
& Embryology and General Knowledge
Review Courses are also an excellent
review for individuals entering the field or
for those who need a refresher course.

### Andrology & Embryology topics include:

- An overview of male and female reproductive physiology covering topics from the hypothalamicpituitary-gonadal axis, gametogenesis, fertilization and embryo biology
- Semen analysis, advanced diagnostic testing in andrology, sperm preparation and cryopreservation for ART, and the male contribution to the embryo and offspring.
- Basic assisted reproductive technologies, including assessment of gametes, zygotes and embryos, culture media preparation, quality control testing, gamete and embryo cryopreservation, and micromanipulation.
- Reproductive genetics
- FDA regulations
- Fertility Clinic Success Rate Certification Act

#### **General Knowledge topics include:**

- General laboratory administration
- CLIA '88 regulations
- Quality control/quality assurance
- Patient test management
- OSHA regulations
- General laboratory safety
- Laboratory and personnel management

### **Faculty**

An impressive faculty of leading experts in the fields of reproductive biology and assisted reproductive technologies (ART) has been assembled for this course.

### Ricardo Pimenta Bertolla, D.V.M., Ph.D., HCLD(ABB)

Wayne State University, Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology, Detroit, Michigan

#### Melanie Clemmer, Ph.D., HCLD(ABB)

WVU Center for Reproductive Medicine, Morgantown, West Virginia

### Joseph Conaghan, Ph.D., HCLD/ELD/CC(ABB)

CCRM Fertility, San Francisco, California

### Robert I. Footlik, M.S., MLS(ASCP), HCLD(ABB-Ret)

Special Consultant, AAB/NILA/ABB/CRB

### Marina O. Gvakharia, M.D., Ph.D., HCLD/ELD(ABB)

Palo Alto Medical Foundation, San Jose, California

#### Dolores J. Lamb, Ph.D., HCLD(ABB)

University of Missouri – Kansas City School of Medicine, Kansas City, Missouri

### Scott Lundy, M.D., Ph.D., HCLD(ABB) Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, Ohio

### Richard T. Scott, M.D., HCLD/ ALD(ABB)

Foundation for Embryonic Competence, Sunset, South Carolina

### Nikki Winston, Ph.D., HCLD/CC/ALD(ABB)

University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, Illinois

### American Board of Bioanalysis (ABB)

The American Board of Bioanalysis (ABB) was created in response to the passage of the 1966 Medicare regulations and CLIA of 1967, which defined and mandated the qualifications for a Laboratory Director. ABB began credentialing Laboratory Directors in 1968. ABB's certification program later was expanded to include Technical Supervisors, General Supervisors, and Laboratory Managers. ABB again expanded its certification program in 2002 to include Embryology Laboratory Directors (ELDs).

ABB is recognized as a certifying agency for Directors under CLIA regulation 493.1443(3)(i) and as a certifying agency for Clinical Consultants under CLIA regulations 493.1417 and 493.1457. In addition, most state laboratory programs recognize ABB's director certifications.

## Application for Certification & Examination

ABB's certification standards brochure and application for certification are available online at **www.abbcert.org.** Processing of ABB applications for board review requires a minimum of ten weeks.

**Avoid delays in processing** by completing the application online: aab.org/aab/Application\_Instruction.asp

#### Inquiries to:

American Board of Bioanalysis 906 Olive Street, Suite 1200 St. Louis, MO 63101-1448 **Telephone:** (314)241-1445

Fax: (314)241-1449 Email: abb@abbcert.org

### **Comments From Past Attendees\***

"Good quality speakers. Excellent slides and presentations."

"This course made me a better lab director."

"The small forum allowed for more interaction with the faculty."

"The Review Course Manual is top notch-very well put together!"

"Well organized, very thorough, comprehensive, and informative."

\*Submitted with course evaluation forms