



## **New York City Poison Center Consultants' Conference**

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Consultants' Conference is a monthly meeting attended by medical toxicologists, emergency physicians, pharmacists and other learners from all over the Northeast. It is an educational activity in which the *Consultants* (renowned experts in various medical specialties) provide insight into the analysis and approach to the diagnosis and treatment of interesting toxicologic cases. The cases are presented mostly by the NYU Toxicology fellows in training, but anyone can present their case if deemed appropriate. Learners of all levels can benefit from the rich and often dynamic discourse.

The next NYC Poison Center Grand Rounds and Consultants' Conference will be held on February 1, 2024. Grand Rounds will start at 1PM EST and Consultants' Conference will follow immediately. The topic and speaker will be:

### **Recognition and Analytical Strategies for Drug Facilitated Crimes**

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Consultants' Conference will take place from 2 PM - 4 PM EST.

The live conference will be held in the Public Health Laboratory and we will also broadcast via WebEx. Please click [here](#) to register and download the WebEx outlook file.

**Please Note: If you would like to receive this monthly announcement on a regular basis, please register for the conference at the link above, even if you are unable to attend.**

**Please post and distribute.  
All are welcome.**

Cases to be discussed for Consultants' Conference include:

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1. A 4-year-old boy presents to the emergency department with fatigue, emesis, and dark urine two days after a witnessed ingestion of a xenobiotic at home. His symptoms begin around 48 hours after ingestion. His initial vital signs are: BP, 93/57 mm Hg; HR, 139 beats/minutes; RR, 24 breaths/minute; T, 37.2° degrees Celsius; O<sub>2</sub> Sat, 98% (RA).
2. A 25-year-old male with a past medical history of bipolar disorder presents to the ED with a chief complaint of abdominal pain after imbibing a decoction made with materials purchased from an online retailer. His initial vital signs are: BP, 141/80 mm Hg; HR, 78 beats/minute; RR, 18 breaths/minute; T, "refused"; O<sub>2</sub> Sat, 100% (RA). While in the ED, he is noted to have nausea, vomiting, and his providers are preparing to insert a transvenous pacemaker due to "symptomatic bradycardia." Prior to pacemaker placement, the NYCPC is called for assistance.
3. A 59-year-old man presents to the ED immediately after being bitten on the hand by an exotic snake. On arrival to the ED, he has normal vital signs. On physical examination, he has two puncture wounds proximal to the first metacarpophalangeal joint on his left hand and edema distal to the left wrist. The hospital calls the Poison Center for treatment recommendations and informs the on-call toxicologist that they will be treating the patient with crotalidae polyvalent immune Fab.

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