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2025 Consensus Conference Agenda
Apr 8, 2025 - Apr 11, 2025

Tuesday, April 8th, 2025

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5:30pm - 7:30pm	Welcome Dinner Connect with others over engaging dinner conversations in a warm and welcoming atmosphere. Patients and care teams will also have the chance to introduce themselves to the group.
7:30pm - 8:30pm	Campside Conversations Enjoy dessert while participating in guided conversations designed to spark connections and build community. Hosted by Epic Camp, this interactive session captures the warmth and ease of a campsite conversation.

Wednesday, April 9th, 2025

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8:00am - 9:00am	Opening Session
9:00am - 9:30am	Patient/ Caregiver Perspective A patient and/or caregiver share their personal journey with cholangiocarcinoma, offering insights into the challenges, resilience, and experiences that shape life with CCA.
9:30am - 10:00am	Consensus Process The CCF team will deliver a concise overview of the consensus process, outlining its structure and setting clear expectations for the audience regarding its implementation and anticipated outcomes.
10:30am - 12:00pm	Diagnostics / Interventional Research focused on developing and improving diagnostic techniques (for example, earlier and more accurate detection of cholangiocarcinoma) and interventional procedures for patients after diagnosis.
12:00pm - 12:30pm	Patient/ Caregiver Perspective A patient and/or caregiver share their personal journey with cholangiocarcinoma, offering insights into the challenges, resilience, and experiences that shape life with CCA.
1:30pm - 3:00pm	Surgery Investigations aimed at advancing surgical assessment, techniques, outcomes, and/or recovery for patients undergoing procedures to treat cholangiocarcinoma.
3:30pm - 5:00pm	Industry & Regulatory Identifying research questions that apply to developing new treatments (for example, design of clinical trials, endpoints, regulatory approval), and fostering industry collaborations to accelerate the development and approval of new CCA treatments.
3:30pm - 5:00pm	Breakout Session: Navigating the Patient Journey CCF Advocacy staff will walk participants through the CCA Diagnosis Workbook to empower patients and caregivers with the knowledge they need to navigate their treatment journey. Topics include how to identify and pursue clinical trial opportunities when seeking a second opinion, evaluating major medical facilities and institutions that specialize in clinical trials, and the role palliative care can play in treatment. This session is an invaluable resource for anyone seeking to make informed decisions about their care.



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Thursday, April 10th, 2025

8:00am - 9:00am	Science (Discovery) Basic science research to uncover new molecular and genetic mechanisms underlying CCA.
8:00am - 9:00am	Breakout Session: Caring for the Caregiver This session offers insight into the caregiver journey, focusing on preserving relationships beyond the caregiver-patient role. Participants will gain practical strategies to navigate caregiving challenges, including how to ask for and receive support effectively.
8:00am - 9:00am	Breakout Session: Caring for the Patient This session will focus on helping patients nurture their well-being beyond medical treatments through practical and accessible strategies. The ultimate goal is to equip attendees with actionable tools to enhance their quality of life at any stage of their journey with cholangiocarcinoma.
9:00am - 10:00am	Science (Translational) Translational research bridges the gap between laboratory discoveries and clinical applications to improve patient outcomes.
9:00am - 10:00am	Your Story, Your Voice: Making a Difference Your journey with cholangiocarcinoma—whether as a patient, active or legacy caregiver, provider, or scientist—has the power to inform, inspire, and drive change. This session will help you craft and tailor your story for public officials. Learn how to highlight key messages, connect, and make your voice heard.
10:30am - 12:00pm	Patients/Advocates + Supportive care Identifying research gaps focused on enhancing patient support, advocacy, and overall quality of life for those affected by cholangiocarcinoma.
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1:30pm - 3:00pm	Systemic Therapies Research focused on developing and optimizing systemic therapies for cholangiocarcinoma, including chemotherapy, immunotherapy, and targeted treatments.
3:30pm - 5:00pm	Poster & Oral Presentations
5:15pm - 7:30pm	Awards Ceremony

Friday, April 10th, 2025

9:00am - 10:00am	Pathology Research aimed at improving the pathological understanding and classification of cholangiocarcinoma to inform better diagnostic and therapeutic strategies.
9:00am - 10:00am	Patient Breakout Session: Panel This session will provide a supportive space for patients and caregivers to ask open, generalized questions as they reflect on the Annual Conference. The panel will include a CCF staff member, two patients, a caregiver, and two medical professionals.



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10:30am- 12:00pm	Biomarkers and Early Detection Efforts to identify and validate biomarkers that can be used for the early detection and monitoring of CCA.
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1:30pm - 3:00pm	Locoregional and radiation Studies exploring the efficacy and safety of locoregional therapies and radiation treatments for managing cholangiocarcinoma.
3:00pm- 3:30pm	Closing Session Led by Juan Valle, Chief Medical Officer of the Cholangiocarcinoma Foundation, this session will provide final reflections and inspire momentum moving forward.

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