

Independent Practice Summit CME Program
June 19, 2026
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Ethical Considerations in Independent Practice – 2026 & Beyond

- Moderator - Rebecca Apple, MA, DHSc
 - Panelist – Matt Ohrt
 - Panelist – Rohan Kulkarni
 - Panelist – Guy Kezirian, MD
 - Panelist – Arvind Cavale, MD
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- I. The Dharma of Independent Practice
 - Ethical foundations of medicine—beneficence, autonomy, justice, and stewardship—meet a 2026 landscape defined by consolidation, rapid AI growth, employer-driven disruption, and renewed physician-led care models.
 - II. The Economics of Ethics: Fiduciary Duty, Transparency & Market Power
 - Fiduciary responsibility, transparency, and purchaser-side accountability shape the ethical landscape of independent practice.
 - III. Employers, AI, and the New Moral Landscape of Care Delivery
 - Employer-driven disruption and AI reshape the ethical responsibilities of independent clinicians.
 - IV. Physician-Led Innovation: Autonomy, Outcomes, & Ethical Entrepreneurship
 - The semblance of ethical autonomy when physicians become innovators, owners, and stewards of outcomes.
 - V. The Moral Leadership of Organized Medicine – 2026 & Beyond
 - Operationalizing the insights of the panelists to build an ethical, sustainable, physician-led future — especially in rural Pennsylvania.